Prevent apcupsd shutting down the OS

If you have an APC UPS you may not, for whatever reason, want the OS to trigger a shutdown. The 'apcupsd' package will call shutdown whenever the battery capacity is reported too low. To prevent this, just edit the following file.



Edit /etc/apcupsd/apccontrol with your favourite editor. You should see something like this:

APCPID=/var/run/apcupsd.pid APCUPSD=/sbin/apcupsd SHUTDOWN=/sbin/shutdown SCRIPTSHELL=/bin/sh SCRIPTDIR=/etc/apcupsd WALL=wall

All you need to do is **comment** out the 'WALL' & 'SHUTDOWN' lines:

SHUTDOWN=/sbin/shutdown # WALL=wall

You can also prevent logins from being disabled after the shutdown trigger is sent. By default apcupsd will touch /etc/nologin to prevent logins but changing that to e.g. /tmp/nologin will mean you can still log in.

Edit /etc/apcupsd/apcupsd.conf and change NOLOGINDIR to /tmp/:

NOLOGINDIR /tmp/

Don't forget to restart the service:

service apcupsd restart

That should be all that's required.