

# How to update MeshDB to indicate the loss of an install

When an install leaves the mesh, MeshDB needs to be kept up-to-date to ensure we have accurate member count and contact information.

If an install has just dropped offline for a few hours, no action is needed. MeshDB does not attempt to track the status of the mesh that finely. See [node explorer](#) for up-to-the minute information. However, if an install has been offline for a month or more, it should really be marked as "Inactive"

See [MeshDB Status Values](#) for more information about the meaning of each status option.

## Marking objects as "Inactive"

To update MeshDB for an install that has dropped offline for a few weeks but has the potential to return at a later date, do the following.

1. Set the status of the Install object to **Inactive**
2. Set the status of the Node object to **Inactive**
3. Set the status of any devices on the Node to **Inactive**
4. Set the status of any links connected to those devices as **Inactive**

## Marking objects as "Closed"

If an install has been confirmed to be abandoned or taken down by talking with the member, or an on-site visit from a volunteer, and is not expected to return, then it should be marked as "Closed"

1. Set the status of the Install object to **Closed**
2. Set the status of the Node object to **Inactive**
3. Set the status of any devices on the Node to **Inactive**
4. Set the status of any links connected to those devices as **Inactive**

## Multi-install nodes

If the install that as gone offline is a part of a node with additional installs, and those other installs are still online, then only the offline install needs to be marked **Inactive** or **Closed**. Nothing else needs to be changed

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