

# readme.md for @push.rocks/smartexit

A library for managing graceful shutdowns of Node.js processes by handling cleanup operations, including terminating child processes.

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## Install

To install `@push.rocks/smartexit`, use pnpm:

```
pnpm install @push.rocks/smartexit
```

## Usage

`@push.rocks/smartexit` helps you gracefully shut down Node.js applications by running cleanup operations before the process exits. It handles signal interception (`SIGINT`, `SIGTERM`), uncaught exception management, and child process termination.

## Basic Setup

```
import { SmartExit } from '@push.rocks/smartexit';
```

```
// Create an instance - this automatically hooks into process signals
const smartExit = new SmartExit();
```

## Registering Cleanup Functions

Define custom async cleanup functions that execute before the process exits:

```
smartExit.addCleanupFunction(async () => {
  console.log('Closing database connections...');
  await database.close();
});

smartExit.addCleanupFunction(async () => {
  console.log('Flushing logs...');
  await logger.flush();
});
```

## Managing Child Processes

Track spawned child processes so they get properly terminated on exit:

```
import { spawn } from 'child_process';

const childProcess = spawn('node', ['worker.js']);
smartExit.addProcess(childProcess);

// Remove from tracking if the process ends naturally
childProcess.on('exit', () => {
  smartExit.removeProcess(childProcess);
});
```

## Kill Process Trees by PID

Terminate an entire process tree using the static `killTreeByPid` method:

```
import { SmartExit, type TProcessSignal } from '@push.rocks/smartexit';
```

```
// Kill with default SIGKILL
await SmartExit.killTreeByPid(12345);

// Kill with a specific signal
await SmartExit.killTreeByPid(12345, 'SIGTERM');
```

## Triggering Cleanup Manually

While `SmartExit` automatically hooks into `SIGINT`, `SIGTERM`, and uncaught exceptions, you can manually trigger cleanup:

```
await smartExit.killAll();
process.exit(0);
```

## Integrating with Express

Gracefully close an Express server on shutdown:

```
import express from 'express';
import { SmartExit } from '@push.rocks/smartexit';

const app = express();
const smartExit = new SmartExit();

const server = app.listen(3000, () => {
  console.log('Server running on port 3000');
});

smartExit.addCleanupFunction(async () => {
  console.log('Closing Express server...');
  await new Promise<void>((resolve) => server.close(() => resolve()));
});
```

## Available Process Signals

The `TProcessSignal` type provides all standard POSIX signals:

```
import type { TProcessSignal } from '@push.rocks/smartexit';

// Examples: 'SIGINT', 'SIGTERM', 'SIGKILL', 'SIGHUP', 'SIGUSR1', 'SIGUSR2', etc.
```

## How It Works

When you create a `SmartExit` instance, it automatically:

1. **Hooks `SIGINT`** (Ctrl+C): Runs cleanup and exits with code 0
2. **Hooks process `exit`**: Runs cleanup when `process.exit(0)` is called
3. **Catches uncaught exceptions**: Logs the error, runs cleanup, and exits with code 1

On `killall()`, it:

- Sends `SIGINT` to all tracked child processes
- Waits 10 seconds, then sends `SIGKILL` if processes are still alive
- Executes all registered cleanup functions

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