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Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command '[.1'

\$ man [.1 TEST(1) **User Commands** TEST(1) NAME test - check file types and compare values **SYNOPSIS** test EXPRESSION test [EXPRESSION] [] [OPTION **DESCRIPTION** Exit with the status determined by EXPRESSION. --help display this help and exit --version output version information and exit An omitted EXPRESSION defaults to false. Otherwise, EXPRESSION is true or false and sets exit status. It is one of: (EXPRESSION) **EXPRESSION** is true ! EXPRESSION **EXPRESSION** is false **EXPRESSION1 -a EXPRESSION2** both EXPRESSION1 and EXPRESSION2 are true

either EXPRESSION1 or EXPRESSION2 is true

-n STRING

the length of STRING is nonzero

STRING equivalent to -n STRING

-z STRING

the length of STRING is zero

STRING1 = STRING2

the strings are equal

STRING1 != STRING2

the strings are not equal

INTEGER1 -eq INTEGER2

INTEGER1 is equal to INTEGER2

INTEGER1 -ge INTEGER2

INTEGER1 is greater than or equal to INTEGER2

INTEGER1 -gt INTEGER2

INTEGER1 is greater than INTEGER2

INTEGER1 -le INTEGER2

INTEGER1 is less than or equal to INTEGER2

INTEGER1 -lt INTEGER2

INTEGER1 is less than INTEGER2

INTEGER1 -ne INTEGER2

INTEGER1 is not equal to INTEGER2

FILE1 -ef FILE2

FILE1 and FILE2 have the same device and inode numbers

FILE1 -nt FILE2

FILE1 is newer (modification date) than FILE2

FILE1 -ot FILE2

FILE1 is older than FILE2

-b FILE

FILE exists and is block special

-c FILE

FILE exists and is character special

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FILE exists and is a directory
-e FILE
    FILE exists
-f FILE
    FILE exists and is a regular file
-g FILE
    FILE exists and is set-group-ID
-G FILE
    FILE exists and is owned by the effective group ID
-h FILE
    FILE exists and is a symbolic link (same as -L)
-k FILE
    FILE exists and has its sticky bit set
-L FILE
    FILE exists and is a symbolic link (same as -h)
-N FILE
    FILE exists and has been modified since it was last read
-O FILE
    FILE exists and is owned by the effective user ID
-p FILE
    FILE exists and is a named pipe
-r FILE
    FILE exists and read permission is granted
-s FILE
    FILE exists and has a size greater than zero
-S FILE
    FILE exists and is a socket
-t FD file descriptor FD is opened on a terminal
-u FILE
    FILE exists and its set-user-ID bit is set
-w FILE
    FILE exists and write permission is granted
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-x FILE

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FILE exists and execute (or search) permission is granted

Except for -h and -L, all FILE-related tests dereference symbolic links. Beware that parentheses need to be escaped (e.g., by backslashes) for shells. INTEGER may also be -I STRING, which evaluates to the length of STRING.

NOTE: Binary -a and -o are inherently ambiguous. Use 'test EXPR1 && test EXPR2' or 'test EXPR1 || test EXPR2' instead.

NOTE: [honors the --help and --version options, but test does not. test treats each of those as it treats any other nonempty STRING.

NOTE: your shell may have its own version of test and/or [, which usually supersedes the version described here. Please refer to your shell's documentation for details about the options it supports.

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Full documentation ">https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/[> or available locally via: info '(coreutils) test invocation'

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