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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'getdirentries.3'

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GETDIRENTRIES(3)

Linux Programmer's Manual

**GETDIRENTRIES(3)** 

NAME

getdirentries - get directory entries in a filesystem-independent format

### **SYNOPSIS**

#include <dirent.h>

ssize\_t getdirentries(int fd, char \*buf, size\_t nbytes , off\_t \*basep);

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature\_test\_macros(7)):

getdirentries():

Since glibc 2.19:

\_DEFAULT\_SOURCE

Glibc 2.19 and earlier:

\_BSD\_SOURCE || \_SVID\_SOURCE

## **DESCRIPTION**

Read directory entries from the directory specified by fd into buf. At most nbytes are read. Reading starts at offset \*basep, and \*basep is updated with the new position after reading.

#### **RETURN VALUE**

getdirentries() returns the number of bytes read or zero when at the end of the directory.

If an error occurs, -1 is returned, and errno is set appropriately.

#### **ERRORS**

See the Linux library source code for details.

### **ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see attributes(7).

?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

?getdirentries()? Thread safety? MT-Safe?

### **CONFORMING TO**

Not in POSIX.1. Present on the BSDs, and a few other systems. Use opendir(3) and read? dir(3) instead.

## SEE ALSO

Iseek(2), open(2)

## **COLOPHON**

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