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Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'getpagesize.2'

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GETPAGESIZE(2) Linux Programmer's Manual GETPAGESIZE(2)

NAME

getpagesize - get memory page size

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <unistd.h>
```

```
int getpagesize(void);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature_test_macros(7)):

```
getpagesize():
```

Since glibc 2.19:

```
  _DEFAULT_SOURCE || ! (_POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L)
```

From glibc 2.12 to 2.19:

```
  _BSD_SOURCE || ! (_POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200112L)
```

Before glibc 2.12:

```
  _BSD_SOURCE || _XOPEN_SOURCE >= 500
```

DESCRIPTION

The function `getpagesize()` returns the number of bytes in a memory page, where "page" is a fixed-length block, the unit for memory allocation and file mapping performed by `mmap(2)`.

CONFORMING TO

Sv4, 4.4BSD, SUSv2. In SUSv2 the `getpagesize()` call is labeled LEGACY, and in POSIX.1-2001 it has been dropped; HP-UX does not have this call.

NOTES

Portable applications should employ `sysconf(_SC_PAGESIZE)` instead of `getpagesize()`:

```
#include <unistd.h>
```

```
long sz = sysconf(_SC_PAGESIZE);
```

(Most systems allow the synonym `_SC_PAGE_SIZE` for `_SC_PAGESIZE`.)

Whether `getpagesize()` is present as a Linux system call depends on the architecture. If it is, it returns the kernel symbol `PAGE_SIZE`, whose value depends on the architecture and machine model.

Generally, one uses binaries that are dependent on the architecture but not on the machine model, in order to have a single binary distribution per architecture.

This means that a user program should not find `PAGE_SIZE` at compile time from a header file, but use an actual system call, at least for those architectures (like `sun4`) where this dependency exists.

Here `glibc 2.0` fails because its `getpagesize()` returns a statically derived value, and does not use a system call. Things are OK in `glibc 2.1`.

SEE ALSO

`mmap(2)`, `sysconf(3)`

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