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### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'locale-gen.8'***

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#### NAME

locale-gen ? generates localisation files from templates

#### SYNOPSIS

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#### DESCRIPTION

This manual page documents briefly the locale-gen command.

By default, the locale package which provides the base support for localisation of libc-based programs does not contain usable localisation files for every supported language.

This limitation has become necessary because of the substantial size of such files and the large number of languages supported by libc. As a result, Debian uses a special mechanism where we prepare the actual localisation files on the target host and distribute only the templates for them.

locale-gen is a program that reads the file /etc/locale.gen and invokes localedef for the chosen localisation profiles. Run locale-gen after you have modified the /etc/locale.gen file.

#### FILES

/etc/locale.gen

The main configuration file, which has a simple format: every line that is not empty and does not begin with a # is treated as a locale definition that is to be built.

/var/lib/locales/supported.d/

A directory containing locale.gen snippets provided by language-pack packages. Do not edit these manually, they will be overwritten on package upgrades.

## SEE ALSO

localedef(1), locale(1), locale.gen(5).

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