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***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'lookup\_dcookie.2'***

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**NAME**

lookup\_dcookie - return a directory entry's path

**SYNOPSIS**

```
int lookup_dcookie(u64 cookie, char *buffer, size_t len);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

Look up the full path of the directory entry specified by the value cookie. The cookie is an opaque identifier uniquely identifying a particular directory entry. The buffer given is filled in with the full path of the directory entry.

For lookup\_dcookie() to return successfully, the kernel must still hold a cookie reference to the directory entry.

**RETURN VALUE**

On success, lookup\_dcookie() returns the length of the path string copied into the buffer.

On error, -1 is returned, and errno is set appropriately.

**ERRORS**

EFAULT The buffer was not valid.

EINVAL The kernel has no registered cookie/directory entry mappings at the time of lookup, or the cookie does not refer to a valid directory entry.

**ENAMETOOLONG**

The name could not fit in the buffer.

ENOMEM The kernel could not allocate memory for the temporary buffer holding the path.

EPERM The process does not have the capability CAP\_SYS\_ADMIN required to look up cookie values.

ERANGE The buffer was not large enough to hold the path of the directory entry.

## VERSIONS

Available since Linux 2.5.43. The ENAMETOOLONG error return was added in 2.5.70.

## CONFORMING TO

lookup\_dcookie() is Linux-specific.

## NOTES

lookup\_dcookie() is a special-purpose system call, currently used only by the oprofile(1) profiler. It relies on a kernel driver to register cookies for directory entries.

The path returned may be suffixed by the string " (deleted)" if the directory entry has been removed.

## SEE ALSO

oprofile(1)

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