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### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'podman-container-exists.1'***

***\$ man podman-container-exists.1***

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#### NAME

podman-container-exists - Check if a container exists in local storage

#### SYNOPSIS

```
podman container exists [options] container
```

#### DESCRIPTION

podman container exists checks if a container exists in local storage. The container ID or name is used as input. Podman will return an exit code of 0 when the container is found. A 1 will be returned otherwise. An exit code of 125 indicates there was an issue accessing the local storage.

#### OPTIONS

--external

Check for external containers as well as Podman containers. These external containers are generally created via other container technology such as Buildah or CRI-O.

The default is false.

-h, --help

Prints usage statement.

The default is false.

#### EXAMPLES

Check if an container called "webclient" exists in local storage. Here, the container does exist.

```
$ podman container exists webclient
```

```
$ echo $?
```

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Check if an container called "webbackend" exists in local storage. Here, the container does not exist.

```
$ podman container exists webbackend
```

```
$ echo $?
```

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Check if an container called "ubi8-working-container" created via Buildah exists in local storage. Here, the container does not exist.

```
$ podman container exists --external ubi8-working-container
```

```
$ echo $?
```

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## SEE ALSO

podman(1)

## HISTORY

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