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***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'unexpand.1'***

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NAME

unexpand - convert spaces to tabs

SYNOPSIS

unexpand [OPTION]... [FILE]...

DESCRIPTION

Convert blanks in each FILE to tabs, writing to standard output.

With no FILE, or when FILE is -, read standard input.

Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options too.

-a, --all

convert all blanks, instead of just initial blanks

--first-only

convert only leading sequences of blanks (overrides -a)

-t, --tabs=N

have tabs N characters apart instead of 8 (enables -a)

-t, --tabs=LIST

use comma separated list of tab positions The last specified position can be pre?

fixed with '/' to specify a tab size to use after the last explicitly specified tab

stop. Also a prefix of '+' can be used to align remaining tab stops relative to

the last specified tab stop instead of the first column

--help display this help and exit

--version

output version information and exit

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## REPORTING BUGS

GNU coreutils online help: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>>

Report any translation bugs to <<https://translationproject.org/team/>>

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## SEE ALSO

`expand(1)`

Full documentation <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/unexpand>>

or available locally via: `info '(coreutils) unexpand invocation'`

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