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PowerShell Get-Help on command 'Join-Path'

PS C:\Users\wahid> Get-Help Join-Path

NAME

Join-Path

SYNOPSIS

Combines a path and a child path into a single path.

SYNTAX

```
Join-Path [-Path] <System.String[]> [-ChildPath] <System.String> [-Credential  
<System.Management.Automation.PSCredential>] [-Resolve] [-UseTransaction]  
[<CommonParameters>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The `Join-Path` cmdlet combines a path and child-path into a single path. The provider supplies the path delimiters.

PARAMETERS

-ChildPath <System.String>

Specifies the elements to append to the value of the `Path` parameter.

Wildcards are permitted. The `ChildPath` parameter is required, although the parameter name ("ChildPath") is optional.

`-Credential <System.Management.Automation.PSCredential>`

> [!NOTE] > This parameter is not supported by any providers installed with PowerShell. > To impersonate another user, or elevate your credentials when running this cmdlet, > use `Invoke-Command` (`../Microsoft.PowerShell.Core/Invoke-Command.md`).

`-Path <System.String[]>`

Specifies the main path (or paths) to which the child-path is appended. Wildcards are permitted.

The value of `Path` determines which provider joins the paths and adds the path delimiters. The `Path` parameter is required, although the parameter name ("Path") is optional.

`-Resolve <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>`

Indicates that this cmdlet should attempt to resolve the joined path from the current provider.

- If wildcards are used, the cmdlet returns all paths that match the joined path.

- If no wildcards are used, the cmdlet will error if the path does not exist.

`-UseTransaction <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>`

Includes the command in the active transaction. This parameter is valid only when a transaction is in progress. For more information, see `about_Transactions` (`../Microsoft.PowerShell.Core/About/about_Transactions.md`).

<CommonParameters>

This cmdlet supports the common parameters: Verbose, Debug, ErrorAction, ErrorVariable, WarningAction, WarningVariable, OutBuffer, PipelineVariable, and OutVariable. For more information, see [about_CommonParameters \(https://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkID=113216\)](https://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkID=113216).

----- Example 1: Combine a path with a child path -----

```
PS C:\> Join-Path -Path "path" -ChildPath "childpath"
```

```
path\childpath
```

This command uses `Join-Path`` to combine a path with a childpath.

Since the command is executed from the `FileSystem`` provider, it provides the ```` delimiter to join the paths.

Example 2: Combine paths that already contain directory separators

```
PS C:\> Join-Path -Path "path\" -ChildPath "\childpath"
```

```
path\childpath
```

Existing directory separators ```` are handled so there is only one separator between `Path`` and `ChildPath``

Example 3: Display files and folders by joining a path with a child path

```
Join-Path "C:\win*" "System*" -Resolve
```

This command displays the files and folders that are referenced by joining the `C:\Win*`` path and the `System*`` child path. It displays the same files and folders as `Get-ChildItem``, but it displays the fully qualified path to each item. In this command, the `Path`` and `ChildPath`` optional parameter names are omitted.

Example 4: Use Join-Path with the PowerShell registry provider

```
PS HKLM:\> Join-Path -Path System -ChildPath *ControlSet* -Resolve
```

```
HKLM:\System\ControlSet001
```

```
HKLM:\System\CurrentControlSet
```

This command displays the registry keys in the `HKLM\System` registry subkey that include `ControlSet`.

The `Resolve` parameter, attempts to resolve the joined path, including wildcards from the current provider path `HKLM:`

--- Example 5: Combine multiple path roots with a child path ---

```
Join-Path -Path C:, D:, E:, F: -ChildPath New
```

```
C:\New
```

```
D:\New
```

```
E:\New
```

```
F:\New
```

This command uses `Join-Path` to combine multiple path roots with a child path.

> [!NOTE] > The Drives specified by `Path` must exist or the join of that entry will fail.

Example 6: Combine the roots of a file system drive with a child path

```
Get-PSDrive -PSProvider filesystem | ForEach-Object {$_.root} | Join-Path  
-ChildPath "Subdir"
```

```
C:\Subdir
```

```
D:\Subdir
```

This command combines the roots of each PowerShell file system drive in the console with the `Subdir` child path.

The command uses the `Get-PSDrive` cmdlet to get the PowerShell drives supported by the FileSystem provider. The `ForEach-Object` statement selects only the Root property of the PSDriveInfo objects and combines it with the specified child path.

The output shows that the PowerShell drives on the computer included a drive mapped to the `C:\Program Files` directory.

REMARKS

To see the examples, type: "get-help Join-Path -examples".

For more information, type: "get-help Join-Path -detailed".

For technical information, type: "get-help Join-Path -full".

For online help, type: "get-help Join-Path -online"