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PowerShell Get-Help on command 'Where-Object'

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NAME

Where-Object

SYNOPSIS

Selects objects from a collection based on their property values.

SYNTAX

```
Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CContains [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]
```

```
Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CEQ [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]
```

```
Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CGE [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]
```

```
Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
```

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CGT [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CIn [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CLE [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CLike [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CLT [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CMatch [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CNE [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CNotContains [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CNotIn [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CNotLike [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -CNotMatch [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -Contains [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-EQ] [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-FilterScript] <System.Management.Automation.ScriptBlock>

[-InputObject <System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -GE [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -GT [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -In [-InputObject

<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -Is [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -IsNot [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -LE [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -Like [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -LT [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -Match [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -NE [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -NotContains [<CommonParameters>]

Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]

```
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject> [-InputObject  
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -NotIn [<CommonParameters>]
```

```
Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]  
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject  
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -NotLike [<CommonParameters>]
```

```
Where-Object [-Property] <System.String> [[-Value]  
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] [-InputObject  
<System.Management.Automation.PSObject>] -NotMatch [<CommonParameters>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The `Where-Object` cmdlet selects objects that have particular property values from the collection of objects that are passed to it. For example, you can use the Where-Object` cmdlet to select files that were created after a certain date, events with a particular ID, or computers that use a particular version of Windows.`

Starting in Windows PowerShell 3.0, there are two different ways to construct a `Where-Object` command.`

- Script block . You can use a script block to specify the property name, a comparison operator, and a property value. `Where-Object` returns all objects for which the script block statement is true.`

For example, the following command gets processes in the `Normal` priority class, that is, processes where the value of the PriorityClass property equals Normal`.`

```
Get-Process | Where-Object {$_.PriorityClass -eq "Normal"}`
```

more information, see [about_Comparison_Operators](#)

(./About/about_Comparison_Operators.md).

- Comparison statement . You can also write a comparison statement, which is much more like natural language. Comparison statements were introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

For example, the following commands also get processes that have a priority class of `Normal`. These commands are equivalent and you can use them interchangeably.

```
`Get-Process | Where-Object -Property PriorityClass -EQ -Value "Normal"
```

```
`Get-Process | Where-Object PriorityClass -EQ "Normal"
```

Starting in Windows PowerShell 3.0, `Where-Object` adds comparison operators as parameters in a `Where-Object` command. Unless specified, all operators are case-insensitive. Before Windows PowerShell 3.0, the comparison operators in the PowerShell language were only usable in script blocks.

When you provide a single Property to `Where-Object`, the cmdlet treats the value of the property as a boolean expression. When the value of the property's Length isn't zero, the expression evaluates to `$true`. For example: `('hi', '', 'there') | Where-Object Length`

The previous example is functionally equivalent to:

```
- `('hi', '', 'there') | Where-Object Length -GT 0`
```

```
- `('hi', '', 'there') | Where-Object { $_.Length -gt 0 }`
```

about_Booleans (about/about_Booleans.md).

PARAMETERS

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects from a collection if the property value of the object is an exact match for the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -CContains "svchost"`

CContains refers to a collection of values and is true if the collection contains an item that is an exact match for the specified value. If the input is a single object, PowerShell converts it to a collection of one object.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is the same as the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is greater than or equal to the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is greater than the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value includes the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object -Value "svchost" -CIn ProcessName`` `CIn` resembles `CContains`, except that the property and value positions are reversed. For example, the following statements are both true.

```
`"abc", "def" -CContains "abc"``
```

```
`"abc" -CIn "abc", "def"``
```

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is less-than or equal to the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value matches a value that includes wildcard characters (``*``). This operation is case-sensitive.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -CLike "*host"```

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-CLT <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is less-than the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-CMatch <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value matches the specified regular expression. This operation is case-sensitive. When the input is a single object, the matched value is saved in the ``$Matches`` automatic variable.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -CMatch "Shell"```

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-CNE <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is different than the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-CNotContains <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value of the object isn't an exact match for the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -CNotContains "svchost"``` NotContains and CNotContains refer to a collection of values and are true when the collection doesn't contain any items that are an exact match for the specified value. If the input is a single object, PowerShell converts it to a collection of one object.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-CNotIn <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value isn't an exact match for the specified value. This operation is case-sensitive.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object -Value "svchost" -CNotIn`

`-Property ProcessName` NotIn and CNotIn operators resemble NotContains and CNotContains , except that the property and value positions are reversed.`

For example, the following statements are true.

```
`"abc", "def" -CNotContains "Abc"
```

```
`"abc" -CNotIn "Abc", "def"
```

-CNotLike <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value doesn't match a value that includes wildcard characters. This operation is case-sensitive.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -CNotLike "**host"`

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-CNotMatch <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value doesn't match the specified regular expression. This operation is case-sensitive.

When the input is a single object, the matched value is saved in the ``$Matches`` automatic variable.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -CNotMatch "Shell"`

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-Contains <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if any item in the property value of the object is an exact match for the specified value.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -Contains "Svchost"```

If the input is a single object, PowerShell converts it to a collection of one object.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-EQ <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is the same as the specified value.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-FilterScript <System.Management.Automation.ScriptBlock>

Specifies the script block that's used to filter the objects. Enclose the script block in braces (`{ }`).

The parameter name, `FilterScript` , is optional.

-GE <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is greater than or equal to the specified value.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-GT <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is greater than the specified value.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value matches any of the specified values. For example:

```
`Get-Process | Where-Object -Property ProcessName -in -Value "Svchost",  
"TaskHost", "WsmProvHost"
```

If the input is a single object, PowerShell converts it to a collection of one object.

If the property value of an object is an array, PowerShell uses reference equality to determine a match. ``Where-Object`` returns the object only if the value of the Property parameter and any value of Value are the same instance of an object.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

`-InputObject <System.Management.Automation.PSObject>`

Specifies the objects to filter. You can also pipe the objects to ``Where-Object``.

When you use the InputObject parameter with ``Where-Object``, instead of piping command results to ``Where-Object``, the cmdlet treats the InputObject as a single object. This is true even if the value is a collection that's the result of a command, such as ``-InputObject (Get-Process)``.

Because InputObject can't return individual properties from an array or collection of objects, we recommend that, if you use ``Where-Object`` to filter a collection of objects for those objects that have specific values

in defined properties, you use ``Where-Object`` in the pipeline, as shown in the examples in this topic.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is an instance of the specified .NET type. Enclose the type name in square brackets.

For example, ``Get-Process | Where-Object StartTime -Is [DateTime]``

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value isn't an instance of the specified .NET type.

For example, ``Get-Process | where StartTime -IsNot [DateTime]``

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is less than or equal to the specified value.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

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

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value matches a value that includes wildcard characters (``*``).

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -Like "*host"```

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-LT <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is less than the specified value.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-Match <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value matches the specified regular expression. When the input is a single object, the matched value is saved in the ``$Matches`` automatic variable.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -Match "shell"```

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-NE <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value is different than the specified value.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-NotContains <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if none of the items in the property value is an exact match for the specified value.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -NotContains "Svchost"``` NotContains refers to a collection of values and is true if the collection doesn't contain any items that are an exact match for the specified value. If the input is a single object, PowerShell converts it to a collection of one object.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-NotIn <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value isn't an exact match for any of the specified values.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object -Value "svchost" -NotIn -Property ProcessName``

If the value of Value is a single object, PowerShell converts it to a collection of one object.

If the property value of an object is an array, PowerShell uses reference equality to determine a match. ``Where-Object`` returns the object only if the value of Property and any value of Value aren't the same instance of an object.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-NotLike <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects if the property value doesn't match a value that includes wildcard characters (``*``).

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -NotLike "*host"``

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

-NotMatch <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets objects when the property value doesn't match the specified regular expression. When the input is a single object, the matched value is saved in the ``$Matches`` automatic variable.

For example: ``Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -NotMatch "PowerShell"``

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

`-Property <System.String>`

Specifies the name of a property of the input object. The property must be an instance property, not a static property. This is a positional parameter, so the name, `Property` , is optional.

This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

`-Value <System.Management.Automation.PSObject>`

Specifies a property value. The parameter name, `Value` , is optional. This parameter accepts wildcard characters when used with the following comparison parameters:

- `CLike` - `CNotLike` - `Like` - `NotLike` This parameter was introduced in Windows PowerShell 3.0.

`<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>).

----- Example 1: Get stopped services -----

```
Get-Service | Where-Object { $_.Status -eq "Stopped" }
```

```
Get-Service | Where-Object Status -EQ "Stopped"
```

----- Example 2: Get processes based on working set -----

```
Get-Process | Where-Object { $_.WorkingSet -GT 250MB }
```


Get-Process | Where-Object WorkingSet -GT 250MB

----- Example 3: Get processes based on process name -----

```
Get-Process | Where-Object { $_.ProcessName -Match "^p.*" }
```

```
Get-Process | Where-Object ProcessName -Match "^p.*"
```

----- Example 4: Use the comparison statement format -----

```
Get-Process | Where-Object -Property Handles -GE -Value 1000
```

```
Get-Process | where Handles -GE 1000
```

----- Example 5: Get commands based on properties -----

```
# Use Where-Object to get commands that have any value for the OutputType  
# property of the command. This omits commands that do not have an OutputType  
# property and those that have an OutputType property, but no property value.
```

```
Get-Command | Where-Object OutputType
```

```
Get-Command | Where-Object { $_.OutputType }
```

```
# Use Where-Object to get objects that are containers. This gets objects that  
# have the **PSIsContainer** property with a value of $True and excludes all  
# others.
```

```
Get-ChildItem | Where-Object PSIsContainer
```

```
Get-ChildItem | Where-Object { $_.PSIsContainer }
```

```
# Finally, use the -not operator (!) to get objects that are not containers.
```

```
# This gets objects that do have the **PSIsContainer** property and those  
# that have a value of $False for the **PSIsContainer** property.
```

```
Get-ChildItem | Where-Object { !$_.PSIsContainer }
```

You cannot use the -not operator (!) in the comparison statement format
of the command.

```
Get-ChildItem | Where-Object PSIsContainer -eq $False
```

----- Example 6: Use multiple conditions -----

```
Get-Module -ListAvailable | Where-Object {  
    ($_.Name -notlike "Microsoft*" -and $_.Name -notlike "PS*") -and  
    $_.HelpInfoUri  
}
```

This example shows how to create a `Where-Object`` command with multiple conditions.

This command gets non-core modules that support the Updatable Help feature. The command uses the `ListAvailable` parameter of the `Get-Module`` cmdlet to get all modules on the computer. A pipeline operator (`|``) sends the modules to the `Where-Object`` cmdlet, which gets modules whose names don't begin with `Microsoft`` or `PS``, and have a value for the `HelpInfoURI` property, which tells PowerShell where to find updated help files for the module. The `-and`` logical operator connects the comparison statements.

The example uses the script block command format. Logical operators, such as `-and``, `-or``, and `-not`` are valid only in script blocks. You can't use them in the comparison statement format of a `Where-Object`` command.

- For more information about PowerShell logical operators, see `about_Logical_Operators` (`./About/about_logical_operators.md`). - For more information about the Updatable Help feature, see `about_Updatable_Help` (`./About/about_Updatable_Help.md`).

REMARKS

To see the examples, type: "get-help Where-Object -examples".

For more information, type: "get-help Where-Object -detailed".

For technical information, type: "get-help Where-Object -full".

For online help, type: "get-help Where-Object -online"