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# Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'TAILQ\_INSERT\_BEFORE.3' command

# *\$ man TAILQ\_INSERT\_BEFORE.3*

TAILQ(3)	Linux Programmer's Manual	TAILQ(3)

NAME

TAILQ\_CONCAT, TAILQ\_EMPTY, TAILQ\_ENTRY, TAILQ\_FIRST, TAILQ\_FOREACH,

TAILQ\_FOREACH\_REVERSE, TAILQ\_HEAD, TAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER, TAILQ\_INIT,

TAILQ\_INSERT\_AFTER, TAILQ\_INSERT\_BEFORE, TAILQ\_INSERT\_HEAD, TAILQ\_IN?

SERT\_TAIL, TAILQ\_LAST, TAILQ\_NEXT, TAILQ\_PREV, TAILQ\_REMOVE - implemen?

tation of a doubly linked tail queue

# SYNOPSIS

#include <sys/queue.h>

void TAILQ\_CONCAT(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head1, TAILQ\_HEAD \*head2,

TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

int TAILQ\_EMPTY(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head);

TAILQ\_ENTRY(TYPE);

struct TYPE \*TAILQ\_FIRST(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head);

TAILQ\_FOREACH(struct TYPE \*var, TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

TAILQ\_FOREACH\_REVERSE(struct TYPE \*var, TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, HEADNAME,

TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

TAILQ\_HEAD(HEADNAME, TYPE);

TAILQ\_HEAD TAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER(TAILQ\_HEAD head);

void TAILQ\_INIT(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head);

void TAILQ\_INSERT\_AFTER(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*listelm,

struct TYPE \*elm, TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void TAILQ\_INSERT\_BEFORE(struct TYPE \*listelm, struct TYPE \*elm,

TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void TAILQ\_INSERT\_HEAD(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*elm,

TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void TAILQ\_INSERT\_TAIL(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*elm,

TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

struct TYPE \*TAILQ\_LAST(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, HEADNAME);

struct TYPE \*TAILQ\_NEXT(struct TYPE \*elm, TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

struct TYPE \*TAILQ\_PREV(struct TYPE \*elm, HEADNAME, TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

void TAILQ\_REMOVE(TAILQ\_HEAD \*head, struct TYPE \*elm, TAILQ\_ENTRY NAME);

# DESCRIPTION

These macros define and operate on doubly linked tail queues.

In the macro definitions, TYPE is the name of a user defined structure, that must contain a field of type TAILQ\_ENTRY, named NAME. The argu? ment HEADNAME is the name of a user defined structure that must be de? clared using the macro TAILQ\_HEAD().

A tail queue is headed by a structure defined by the TAILQ\_HEAD() macro. This structure contains a pair of pointers, one to the first element in the tail queue and the other to the last element in the tail queue. The elements are doubly linked so that an arbitrary element can be removed without traversing the tail queue. New elements can be added to the tail queue after an existing element, before an existing element, at the head of the tail queue, or at the end of the tail queue. A TAILQ\_HEAD structure is declared as follows:

TAILQ\_HEAD(HEADNAME, TYPE) head; where struct HEADNAME is the structure to be defined, and struct TYPE is the type of the elements to be linked into the tail queue. A pointer to the head of the tail queue can later be declared as:

struct HEADNAME \*headp;

(The names head and headp are user selectable.)

The macro TAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER() evaluates to an initializer for the tail queue head.

The macro TAILQ\_CONCAT() concatenates the tail queue headed by head2 onto the end of the one headed by head1 removing all entries from the

former.

The macro TAILQ\_EMPTY() evaluates to true if there are no items on the tail queue.

The macro TAILQ\_ENTRY() declares a structure that connects the elements in the tail queue.

The macro TAILQ\_FIRST() returns the first item on the tail queue or

NULL if the tail queue is empty.

The macro TAILQ\_FOREACH() traverses the tail queue referenced by head

in the forward direction, assigning each element in turn to var. var

is set to NULL if the loop completes normally, or if there were no ele?

ments.

The macro TAILQ\_FOREACH\_REVERSE() traverses the tail queue referenced by head in the reverse direction, assigning each element in turn to var.

The macro TAILQ\_INIT() initializes the tail queue referenced by head.

The macro TAILQ\_INSERT\_HEAD() inserts the new element elm at the head of the tail queue.

The macro TAILQ\_INSERT\_TAIL() inserts the new element elm at the end of the tail queue.

The macro TAILQ\_INSERT\_AFTER() inserts the new element elm after the element listelm.

The macro TAILQ\_INSERT\_BEFORE() inserts the new element elm before the element listelm.

The macro TAILQ\_LAST() returns the last item on the tail queue. If the

tail queue is empty the return value is NULL.

The macro TAILQ\_NEXT() returns the next item on the tail queue, or NULL

if this item is the last.

The macro TAILQ\_PREV() returns the previous item on the tail queue, or

NULL if this item is the first.

The macro TAILQ\_REMOVE() removes the element elm from the tail queue.

### RETURN VALUE

TAILQ\_EMPTY() returns nonzero if the queue is empty, and zero if the

queue contains at least one entry.

### TAILQ\_FIRST(), TAILQ\_LAST(), TAILQ\_NEXT(), and TAILQ\_PREV() return a

pointer to the first, last, next or previous TYPE structure, respec?

# tively.

TAILQ\_HEAD\_INITIALIZER() returns an initializer that can be assigned to the queue head.

#### CONFORMING TO

Not in POSIX.1, POSIX.1-2001 or POSIX.1-2008. Present on the BSDs.

(TAILQ functions first appeared in 4.4BSD).

### BUGS

The macros TAILQ\_FOREACH() and TAILQ\_FOREACH\_REVERSE() don't allow var to be removed or freed within the loop, as it would interfere with the traversal. The macros TAILQ\_FOREACH\_SAFE() and TAILQ\_FOREACH\_RE? VERSE\_SAFE(), which are present on the BSDs but are not present in glibc, fix this limitation by allowing var to safely be removed from the list and freed from within the loop without interfering with the traversal.

# EXAMPLES

```
#include <stddef.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/queue.h>
struct entry {
  int data;
                                         /* Tail queue. */
  TAILQ_ENTRY(entry) entries;
};
TAILQ HEAD(tailhead, entry);
int
main(void)
{
  struct entry *n1, *n2, *n3, *np;
  struct tailhead head;
                                   /* Tail queue head. */
  int i;
  TAILQ_INIT(&head);
                                     /* Initialize the queue. */
```

i = 0;

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TAILQ_FOREACH(np, &head, entries)
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 $np \rightarrow data = i++;$ 

/\* Reverse traversal. \*/

TAILQ\_FOREACH\_REVERSE(np, &head, tailhead, entries)

printf("%i\n", np->data);

/\* TailQ Deletion. \*/

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n1 = TAILQ_FIRST(&head);
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while (n1 != NULL) {
```

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n2 = TAILQ_NEXT(n1, entries);
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free(n1);

n1 = n2;

}

TAILQ\_INIT(&head);

exit(EXIT\_SUCCESS);

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}
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SEE ALSO
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insque(3), queue(7)

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