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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'expand.1'

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NAME

expand - convert tabs to spaces

**SYNOPSIS** 

expand [OPTION]... [FILE]...

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Convert tabs in each FILE to spaces, 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.

-i, --initial

do not convert tabs after non blanks

-t, --tabs=N

have tabs N characters apart, not 8

-t, --tabs=LIST

use comma separated list of tab positions The last specified po?

sition can be prefixed with '/' to specify a tab size to use af?

ter 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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## SEE ALSO

unexpand(1)

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