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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'fdopendir.3'

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NAME

opendir, fdopendir - open a directory

#### **SYNOPSIS**

#include <sys/types.h>

#include <dirent.h>

DIR \*opendir(const char \*name);

DIR \*fdopendir(int fd);

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature\_test\_macros(7)):

fdopendir():

Since glibc 2.10:

\_POSIX\_C\_SOURCE >= 200809L

Before glibc 2.10:

\_GNU\_SOURCE

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The opendir() function opens a directory stream corresponding to the directory name, and returns a pointer to the directory stream. The stream is positioned at the first entry in the directory.

The fdopendir() function is like opendir(), but returns a directory stream for the directory referred to by the open file descriptor fd.

After a successful call to fdopendir(), fd is used internally by the implementation, and should not otherwise be used by the application.

#### **RETURN VALUE**

The opendir() and fdopendir() functions return a pointer to the direc? tory stream. On error, NULL is returned, and error is set appropri? ately.

# **ERRORS**

**EACCES** Permission denied.

EBADF fd is not a valid file descriptor opened for reading.

EMFILE The per-process limit on the number of open file descriptors has been reached.

ENFILE The system-wide limit on the total number of open files has been reached.

ENOENT Directory does not exist, or name is an empty string.

ENOMEM Insufficient memory to complete the operation.

#### **ENOTDIR**

name is not a directory.

### **VERSIONS**

fdopendir() is available in glibc since version 2.4.

#### **ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see at? tributes(7).

?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

?opendir(), fdopendir() ? Thread safety ? MT-Safe ?

#### **CONFORMING TO**

opendir() is present on SVr4, 4.3BSD, and specified in POSIX.1-2001. fdopendir() is specified in POSIX.1-2008.

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Filename entries can be read from a directory stream using readdir(3).

The underlying file descriptor of the directory stream can be obtained using dirfd(3).

The opendir() function sets the close-on-exec flag for the file de? scriptor underlying the DIR \*. The fdopendir() function leaves the setting of the close-on-exec flag unchanged for the file descriptor, fd. POSIX.1-200x leaves it unspecified whether a successful call to fdopendir() will set the close-on-exec flag for the file descriptor, fd.

# SEE ALSO

open(2), closedir(3), dirfd(3), readdir(3), rewinddir(3), scandir(3), seekdir(3), telldir(3)

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