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Windows 11 Help on 'ERASE' command

C:\>HELP ERASE

Deletes one or more files.

DEL [/P] [/F] [/S] [/Q] [/A[[:]attributes]] names

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Specifies a list of one or more files or directories. names Wildcards may be used to delete multiple files. If a directory is specified, all files within the directory will be deleted.

- /P Prompts for confirmation before deleting each file.
- /F Force deleting of read-only files.
- /S Delete specified files from all subdirectories.
- /Q Quiet mode, do not ask if ok to delete on global wildcard
- /A Selects files to delete based on attributes
- attributes R Read-only files S System files
 - H Hidden files A Files ready for archiving
 - I Not content indexed Files L Reparse Points
 - O Offline files - Prefix meaning not

If Command Extensions are enabled DEL and ERASE change as follows:

The display semantics of the /S switch are reversed in that it shows you only the files that are deleted, not the ones it could not find.