

**NAME**

telinit – Change SysV runlevel

**SYNOPSIS**

**telinit** [**OPTIONS...**] **{COMMAND}**

**DESCRIPTION**

**telinit** may be used to change the SysV system runlevel. Since the concept of SysV runlevels is obsolete the runlevel requests will be transparently translated into systemd unit activation requests.

**OPTIONS**

The following options are understood:

**--help**

Print a short help text and exit.

**--no-wall**

Do not send wall message before reboot/halt/power-off.

The following commands are understood:

**0**

Power-off the machine. This is translated into an activation request for `poweroff.target` and is equivalent to **systemctl poweroff**.

**6**

Reboot the machine. This is translated into an activation request for `reboot.target` and is equivalent to **systemctl reboot**.

**2, 3, 4, 5**

Change the SysV runlevel. This is translated into an activation request for `runlevel2.target`, `runlevel3.target`, ... and is equivalent to **systemctl isolate runlevel2.target**, **systemctl isolate runlevel3.target**, ...

**1, s, S**

Change into system rescue mode. This is translated into an activation request for `rescue.target` and is equivalent to **systemctl rescue**.

**q, Q**

Reload daemon configuration. This is equivalent to **systemctl daemon-reload**.

**u, U**

Serialize state, reexecute daemon and deserialize state again. This is equivalent to **systemctl daemon-reexec**.

**EXIT STATUS**

On success, 0 is returned, a non-zero failure code otherwise.

**NOTES**

This is a legacy command available for compatibility only. It should not be used anymore, as the concept of runlevels is obsolete.

**SEE ALSO**

**systemd(1)**, **systemctl(1)**, **wall(1)**