

Windows 10 Help on Commands

C:\>HELP DEL

Deletes one or more files.

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

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

names Specifies a list of one or more files or directories.

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.