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## ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'futimesat.2'***

**\$ man futimesat.2**

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### NAME

futimesat - change timestamps of a file relative to a directory file descriptor

### SYNOPSIS

```
#include <fcntl.h> /* Definition of AT_* constants */

#include <sys/time.h>

int futimesat(int dirfd, const char *pathname,
              const struct timeval times[2]);
```

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

```
    futimesat(): _GNU_SOURCE
```

### DESCRIPTION

This system call is obsolete. Use utimensat(2) instead.

The futimesat() system call operates in exactly the same way as utimes(2), except for the differences described in this manual page.

If the pathname given in pathname is relative, then it is interpreted relative to the directory referred to by the file descriptor dirfd (rather than relative to the current working directory of the calling process, as is done by utimes(2) for a relative path name).

If pathname is relative and dirfd is the special value AT\_FDCWD, then pathname is interpreted relative to the current working directory of the calling process (like utimes(2)).

If pathname is absolute, then dirfd is ignored.

### RETURN VALUE

On success, futimesat() returns a 0. On error, -1 is returned and errno is set to indicate the error.

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## ERRORS

The same errors that occur for `utimes(2)` can also occur for `futimesat()`. The following additional errors can occur for `futimesat()`:

`EBADF` `dirfd` is not a valid file descriptor.

## `ENOTDIR`

`pathname` is relative and `dirfd` is a file descriptor referring to a file other than a directory.

## VERSIONS

`futimesat()` was added to Linux in kernel 2.6.16; library support was added to glibc in version 2.4.

## CONFORMING TO

This system call is nonstandard. It was implemented from a specification that was proposed for POSIX.1, but that specification was replaced by the one for `utimensat(2)`.

A similar system call exists on Solaris.

## NOTES

### Glibc notes

If `pathname` is `NULL`, then the glibc `futimesat()` wrapper function updates the times for the file referred to by `dirfd`.

## SEE ALSO

`stat(2)`, `utimensat(2)`, `utimes(2)`, `futimes(3)`, `path_resolution(7)`

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