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VIRTLOGD(8) Virtualization Support

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NAME

virtlogd - libvirt log management daemon

SYNOPSIS

virtlogd [OPTION]...

DESCRIPTION

The `virtlogd` program is a server side daemon component of the libvirt virtualization management system that is used to manage logs from virtual machine consoles.

This daemon is not used directly by libvirt client applications, rather it is called on their behalf by libvirdt. By maintaining the logs in a standalone daemon, the main libvirdt daemon can be restarted without risk of losing logs. The virtlogd daemon has the ability to re-exec() itself upon receiving SIGUSR1, to allow live upgrades without downtime.

The `virtlogd` daemon listens for requests on a local Unix domain socket.

OPTIONS

-h, --help

Display command line help usage then exit.

-d, --daemon

Run as a daemon and write PID file.

-f --config EII E

Use this configuration file, overriding the default value.

-t --timeout SECONDS

Automatically shutdown after SECONDS have elapsed with no active console log.

-p, --pid-file FILE

Use this name for the PID file, overriding the default value.

-v, --verbose

Enable output of verbose messages.

-V, --version

Display version information then exit.

SIGNALS

On receipt of SIGUSR1, virtlogd will re-exec() its binary, while maintaining all current logs and clients. This allows for live upgrades of the virtlogd service.

FILES

When run as root

? /etc/libvirt/virtlogd.conf

The default configuration file used by virtlogd, unless overridden on the command line using the -f | --config option.

? /run/libvirt/virtlogd-sock

The sockets virtlogd will use.

? /run/virtlogd.pid

The PID file to use, unless overridden by the -p | --pid-file option.

When run as non-root

? \$XDG_CONFIG_HOME/libvirt/virtlogd.conf

The default configuration file used by virtlogd, unless overridden on the command line using the -f | --config option.

? \$XDG_RUNTIME_DIR/libvirt/virtlogd-sock

The socket virtlogd will use.

? \$XDG_RUNTIME_DIR/libvirt/virtlogd.pid

The PID file to use, unless overridden by the -p | --pid-file option.

If \$XDG_CONFIG_HOME is not set in your environment, virtlogd will use \$HOME/.config

If \$XDG_RUNTIME_DIR is not set in your environment, virtlogd will use \$HOME/.cache

EXAMPLES

To retrieve the version of virtlogd:

```
# virtlogd --version
```

```
virtlogd (libvirt) 1.1.1
```

To start virtlogd, instructing it to daemonize and create a PID file:

```
# virtlogd -d  
# ls -la /run/virtlogd.pid  
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 6 Jul 9 02:40 /run/virtlogd.pid
```

BUGS

Please report all bugs you discover. This should be done via either:

1. the mailing list

<https://libvirt.org/contact.html>

2. the bug tracker

<https://libvirt.org/bugs.html>

Alternatively, you may report bugs to your software distributor / vendor.

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