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NAME

getgid, getegid - get group identity

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <unistd.h>

#include <sys/types.h>

gid_t getgid(void);

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```

DESCRIPTION

getgid() returns the real group ID of the calling process.

getegid() returns the effective group ID of the calling process.

ERRORS

These functions are always successful.

CONFORMING TO

POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008, 4.3BSD.

NOTES

The original Linux getgid() and getegid() system calls supported only 16-bit group IDs. Subsequently, Linux 2.4 added getgid32() and getegid32(), supporting 32-bit IDs. The glibc getgid() and getegid() wrapper functions transparently deal with the variations across kernel versions.

On Alpha, instead of a pair of getgid() and getegid() system calls, a single getxgid() system call is provided, which returns a pair of real

and effective GIDs. The glibc `getgid()` and `getegid()` wrapper functions transparently deal with this. See `syscall(2)` for details regarding register mapping.

SEE ALSO

`getresgid(2)`, `setgid(2)`, `setregid(2)`, `credentials(7)`

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