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NAME

mq_send, mq_timedsend ? send a message to a message queue (REALTIME)

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <mqueue.h>

int mq_send(mqd_t mqdes, const char *msg_ptr, size_t msg_len,
            unsigned msg_prio);

#include <mqueue.h>

#include <time.h>

int mq_timedsend(mqd_t mqdes, const char *msg_ptr, size_t msg_len,
                unsigned msg_prio, const struct timespec *abstime);
```

DESCRIPTION

The mq_send() function shall add the message pointed to by the argument msg_ptr to the message queue specified by mqdes. The msg_len argument specifies the length of the message, in bytes, pointed to by msg_ptr.

The value of msg_len shall be less than or equal to the mq_msgsize attribute of the message queue, or mq_send() shall fail.

If the specified message queue is not full, mq_send() shall behave as

if the message is inserted into the message queue at the position indicated by the `msg_prio` argument. A message with a larger numeric value of `msg_prio` shall be inserted before messages with lower values of `msg_prio`. A message shall be inserted after other messages in the queue, if any, with equal `msg_prio`. The value of `msg_prio` shall be less than `{MQ_PRIO_MAX}`.

If the specified message queue is full and `O_NONBLOCK` is not set in the message queue description associated with `mqdes`, `mq_send()` shall block until space becomes available to enqueue the message, or until `mq_send()` is interrupted by a signal. If more than one thread is waiting to send when space becomes available in the message queue and the Priority Scheduling option is supported, then the thread of the highest priority that has been waiting the longest shall be unblocked to send its message. Otherwise, it is unspecified which waiting thread is unblocked. If the specified message queue is full and `O_NONBLOCK` is set in the message queue description associated with `mqdes`, the message shall not be queued and `mq_send()` shall return an error.

The `mq_timedsend()` function shall add a message to the message queue specified by `mqdes` in the manner defined for the `mq_send()` function. However, if the specified message queue is full and `O_NONBLOCK` is not set in the message queue description associated with `mqdes`, the wait for sufficient room in the queue shall be terminated when the specified timeout expires. If `O_NONBLOCK` is set in the message queue description, this function shall be equivalent to `mq_send()`.

The timeout shall expire when the absolute time specified by `abstime` passes, as measured by the clock on which timeouts are based (that is, when the value of that clock equals or exceeds `abstime`), or if the absolute time specified by `abstime` has already been passed at the time of the call.

The timeout shall be based on the `CLOCK_REALTIME` clock. The resolution of the timeout shall be the resolution of the clock on which it is based. The `timespec` argument is defined in the `<time.h>` header.

Under no circumstance shall the operation fail with a timeout if there

is sufficient room in the queue to add the message immediately. The validity of the `abstime` parameter need not be checked when there is sufficient room in the queue.

RETURN VALUE

Upon successful completion, the `mq_send()` and `mq_timedsend()` functions shall return a value of zero. Otherwise, no message shall be enqueued, the functions shall return -1, and `errno` shall be set to indicate the error.

ERRORS

The `mq_send()` and `mq_timedsend()` functions shall fail if:

EAGAIN The `O_NONBLOCK` flag is set in the message queue description associated with `mqdes`, and the specified message queue is full.

EBADF The `mqdes` argument is not a valid message queue descriptor open for writing.

EINTR A signal interrupted the call to `mq_send()` or `mq_timedsend()`.

EINVAL The value of `msg_prio` was outside the valid range.

EINVAL The process or thread would have blocked, and the `abstime` parameter specified a nanoseconds field value less than zero or greater than or equal to 1000 million.

EMSGSIZE

The specified message length, `msg_len`, exceeds the message size attribute of the message queue.

ETIMEDOUT

The `O_NONBLOCK` flag was not set when the message queue was opened, but the timeout expired before the message could be added to the queue.

The following sections are informative.

EXAMPLES

None.

APPLICATION USAGE

The value of the symbol `{MQ_PRIO_MAX}` limits the number of priority levels supported by the application. Message priorities range from 0 to `{MQ_PRIO_MAX}-1`.

RATIONALE

None.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

None.

SEE ALSO

`mq_open()`, `mq_receive()`, `mq_setattr()`, `time()`

The Base Definitions volume of POSIX.1-2017, `<mqqueue.h>`, `<time.h>`

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