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# Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'selinux\_config.5' command

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SELinux configuration file

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NAME

config - The SELinux sub-system configuration file.

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The SELinux config file controls the state of SELinux regarding:

- The policy enforcement status enforcing, permissive or disabled.
- The policy name or type that forms a path to the policy to be loaded and its supporting configuration files.
- How SELinux-aware login applications should behave if no valid SELinux users are configured.
- 4. Whether the system is to be relabeled or not.

The entries controlling these functions are described in the FILE FOR?

MAT section.

The fully qualified path name of the SELinux configuration file is /etc/selinux/config.

If the config file is missing or corrupt, then no SELinux policy is loaded (i.e. SELinux is disabled).

The sestatus (8) command and the libselinux function selinux\_path (3) will return the location of the config file.

### **FILE FORMAT**

The config file supports the following parameters:

SELINUX = enforcing | permissive | disabled

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SELINUXTYPE = policy_name

REQUIRESEUSERS = 0 | 1

AUTORELABEL = 0 | 1
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Where:

**SELINUX** 

This entry can contain one of three values:

enforcing

SELinux security policy is enforced.

permissive

SELinux security policy is not enforced but logs the warnings (i.e. the action is allowed to proceed).

disabled

No SELinux policy is loaded. This option was used to disable SELinux completely, which is now deprecated. Use the selinux=0 kernel boot option instead (see selinux(8)).

The entry can be determined using the sestatus(8) command or selinux\_getenforcemode(3).

#### **SELINUXTYPE**

The policy\_name entry is used to identify the policy type, and becomes the directory name of where the policy and its configu? ration files are located.

The entry can be determined using the sestatus(8) command or selinux\_getpolicytype(3).

The policy\_name is relative to a path that is defined within the SELinux subsystem that can be retrieved by using selinux\_path(3). An example entry retrieved by selinux\_path(3) is:

/etc/selinux/

The policy\_name is then appended to this and becomes the 'policy root' location that can be retrieved by selinux\_pol? icy\_root\_path(3). An example entry retrieved is:

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The actual binary policy is located relative to this directory and also has a policy name pre-allocated. This information can be retrieved using selinux\_binary\_policy\_path(3). An example en? try retrieved by selinux\_binary\_policy\_path(3) is:

/etc/selinux/targeted/policy/policy

The binary policy name has by convention the SELinux policy ver? sion that it supports appended to it. The maximum policy version supported by the kernel can be determined using the sestatus(8) command or security\_policyvers(3). An example binary policy file with the version is:

/etc/selinux/targeted/policy/policy.24

#### REQUIRESEUSERS

This optional entry can be used to fail a login if there is no matching or default entry in the seusers(5) file or if the seusers file is missing.

It is checked by getseuserbyname(3) that is called by SELinux-aware login applications such as PAM(8).

If set to 0 or the entry missing:

getseuserbyname(3) will return the GNU / Linux user name as the SELinux user.

If set to 1:

getseuserbyname(3) will fail.

The getseuserbyname(3) man page should be consulted for its use.

The format of the seusers file is shown in seusers(5).

#### **AUTORELABEL**

This is an optional entry that allows the file system to be re? labeled.

If set to 0 and there is a file called .autorelabel in the root directory, then on a reboot, the loader will drop to a shell where a root login is required. An administrator can then manu? ally relabel the file system.

If set to 1 or no entry present (the default) and there is a .autorelabel file in the root directory, then the file system

will be automatically relabeled using fixfiles -F restore
In both cases the /.autorelabel file will be removed so that re?
labeling is not done again.

## **EXAMPLE**

This example config file shows the minimum contents for a system to run SELinux in enforcing mode, with a policy\_name of 'targeted':

SELINUX = enforcing

SELINUXTYPE = targeted

## SEE ALSO

selinux(8), sestatus(8), selinux\_path(3), selinux\_policy\_root\_path(3), selinux\_binary\_policy\_path(3), getseuserbyname(3), PAM(8), fixfiles(8), selinux\_mkload\_policy(3), selinux\_getpolicytype(3), security\_poli? cyvers(3), selinux\_getenforcemode(3), seusers(5)

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