



Red Hat Enterprise Linux Release 9.2 Manual Pages on 'tpm2_readclock.1' command

\$ man tpm2_readclock.1

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NAME

tpm2_readclock(1) - Retrieves the time information from the TPM.

SYNOPSIS

tpm2_readclock [OPTIONS]

DESCRIPTION

tpm2_readclock(1) -Reads the current TPMS_TIME_INFO structure from the

TPM. The structure contains the current setting of Time, Clock, reset?

Count, and restartCount. The structure is output as YAML to stdout.

The YAML output is defined as:

```
time: 13673142  # 64 bit value of time TPM has been powered on in ms.
```

```
clock_info:
```

```
  clock: 13673142 # 64 bit value of time TPM has been powered on since last TPM2_Clear in ms.
```

```
  reset_count: 0 # 32 bit value of the number of TPM Resets since the last
```

```
    # TPM2_Clear.
```

```
  restart_count: 0 # 32 bit value of the number of times that TPM2_Shutdown or
```

```
    # _TPM_Hash_Start have occurred since the last TPM Reset or
```

```
    # TPM2_Clear.
```

```
safe: yes      # boolean yes|no value that no value of Clock greater than
```

```
  # the current value of Clock has been previously reported by
```

```
  # the TPM.
```

This tool takes no arguments and no tool specific options.

COMMON OPTIONS

This collection of options are common to many programs and provide information that many users may expect.

? -h, --help=[man|no-man]: Display the tools manpage. By default, it attempts to invoke the manpager for the tool, however, on failure will output a short tool summary. This is the same behavior if the ?man? option argument is specified, however if explicit ?man? is requested, the tool will provide errors from man on stderr. If the ?no-man? option is specified, or the manpager fails, the short options will be output to stdout.

To successfully use the manpages feature requires the manpages to be installed or on MANPATH, See man(1) for more details.

? -v, --version: Display version information for this tool, supported tctis and exit.

? -V, --verbose: Increase the information that the tool prints to the console during its execution. When using this option the file and line number are printed.

? -Q, --quiet: Silence normal tool output to stdout.

? -Z, --enable-errata: Enable the application of errata fixups. Useful if an errata fixup needs to be applied to commands sent to the TPM.

Defining the environment TPM2TOOLS_ENABLE_ERRATA is equivalent. information many users may expect.

TCTI Configuration

The TCTI or ?Transmission Interface? is the communication mechanism with the TPM. TCTIs can be changed for communication with TPMs across different mediums.

To control the TCTI, the tools respect:

1. The command line option -T or --tcti
2. The environment variable: TPM2TOOLS_TCTI.

Note: The command line option always overrides the environment variable.

The current known TCTIs are:

? tabrmd - The resource manager, called tabrmd

(<https://github.com/tpm2-software/tpm2-abrmd>). Note that `tabrmd` and `abrmd` as a tcti name are synonymous.

? mssim - Typically used for communicating to the TPM software simulator.

? device - Used when talking directly to a TPM device file.

? none - Do not initialize a connection with the TPM. Some tools allow for off-tpm options and thus support not using a TCTI. Tools that do not support it will error when attempted to be used without a TCTI connection. Does not support ANY options and MUST BE presented as the exact text of `?none?`.

The arguments to either the command line option or the environment variable are in the form:

`<tcti-name>:<tcti-option-config>`

Specifying an empty string for either the `<tcti-name>` or `<tcti-option-config>` results in the default being used for that portion respectively.

TCTI Defaults

When a TCTI is not specified, the default TCTI is searched for using `dlopen(3)` semantics. The tools will search for `tabrmd`, `device` and `mssim` TCTIs IN THAT ORDER and USE THE FIRST ONE FOUND. You can query what TCTI will be chosen as the default by using the `-v` option to print the version information. The `?default-tcti?` key-value pair will indicate which of the aforementioned TCTIs is the default.

Custom TCTIs

Any TCTI that implements the dynamic TCTI interface can be loaded. The tools internally use `dlopen(3)`, and the raw `tcti-name` value is used for the lookup. Thus, this could be a path to the shared library, or a library name as understood by `dlopen(3)` semantics.

TCTI OPTIONS

This collection of options are used to configure the various known TCTI modules available:

? device: For the device TCTI, the TPM character device file for use by the device TCTI can be specified. The default is `/dev/tpm0`.

Example: -T device:/dev/tpm0 or export TPM2TOOLS_TCTI=?device:/dev/tpm0?

? mssim: For the mssim TCTI, the domain name or IP address and port number used by the simulator can be specified. The default are 127.0.0.1 and 2321.

Example: -T mssim:host=localhost,port=2321 or export TPM2TOOLS_TCTI=?mssim:host=localhost,port=2321?

? abrmd: For the abrmd TCTI, the configuration string format is a series of simple key value pairs separated by a ';' character. Each key and value string are separated by a '=' character.

? TCTI abrmd supports two keys:

1. 'bus_name' : The name of the tabrmd service on the bus (a string).
2. 'bus_type' : The type of the dbus instance (a string) limited to 'session' and 'system'.

Specify the tabrmd tcti name and a config string of bus_name=com.example.FooBar:

```
--tcti=tabrmd:bus_name=com.example.FooBar
```

Specify the default (abrmd) tcti and a config string of bus_type=session:

```
--tcti:bus_type=session
```

NOTE: abrmd and tabrmd are synonymous. the various known TCTI modules.

EXAMPLES

Read the clock

```
tpm2_readclock
time: 13673142
clock_info:
clock: 13673142
reset_count: 0
restart_count: 0
safe: yes
```

Returns

Tools can return any of the following codes:

? 0 - Success.

? 1 - General non-specific error.

? 2 - Options handling error.

? 3 - Authentication error.

? 4 - TCTI related error.

? 5 - Non supported scheme. Applicable to tpm2_testparams.

BUGS

Github Issues (<https://github.com/tpm2-software/tpm2-tools/issues>)

HELP

See the Mailing List (<https://lists.01.org/mailman/listinfo/tpm2>)

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