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Linux Programmer's Manual

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NAME

mg send, mg timedsend - send a message to a message queue

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <mqueue.h>
```

int mq\_send(mqd\_t mqdes, const char \*msg\_ptr,

size\_t msg\_len, unsigned int msg\_prio);

#include <time.h>

#include <mqueue.h>

int mq\_timedsend(mqd\_t mqdes, const char \*msg\_ptr,

size\_t msg\_len, unsigned int msg\_prio,

const struct timespec \*abs\_timeout);

Link with -Irt.

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature\_test\_macros(7)):

mq\_timedsend():

\_POSIX\_C\_SOURCE >= 200112L

## **DESCRIPTION**

mq\_send() adds the message pointed to by msg\_ptr to the message queue

referred to by the message queue descriptor mqdes. The msg\_len argu? ment specifies the length of the message pointed to by msg\_ptr; this length must be less than or equal to the queue's mq\_msgsize attribute. Zero-length messages are allowed.

The msg\_prio argument is a nonnegative integer that specifies the pri? ority of this message. Messages are placed on the queue in decreasing order of priority, with newer messages of the same priority being placed after older messages with the same priority. See mq\_overview(7) for details on the range for the message priority.

If the message queue is already full (i.e., the number of messages on the queue equals the queue's mq\_maxmsg attribute), then, by default, mq\_send() blocks until sufficient space becomes available to allow the message to be queued, or until the call is interrupted by a signal han? dler. If the O\_NONBLOCK flag is enabled for the message queue descrip? tion, then the call instead fails immediately with the error EAGAIN. mq\_timedsend() behaves just like mq\_send(), except that if the queue is full and the O\_NONBLOCK flag is not enabled for the message queue de? scription, then abs\_timeout points to a structure which specifies how long the call will block. This value is an absolute timeout in seconds and nanoseconds since the Epoch, 1970-01-01 00:00:00 +0000 (UTC), spec? ified in the following structure:

```
struct timespec {
   time_t tv_sec;     /* seconds */
   long tv_nsec;     /* nanoseconds */
};
```

If the message queue is full, and the timeout has already expired by the time of the call, mq\_timedsend() returns immediately.

## **RETURN VALUE**

On success, mq\_send() and mq\_timedsend() return zero; on error, -1 is returned, with errno set to indicate the error.

#### **ERRORS**

EAGAIN The queue was full, and the O\_NONBLOCK flag was set for the mes? sage queue description referred to by mqdes.

EBADF The descriptor specified in mqdes was invalid or not opened for writing.

EINTR The call was interrupted by a signal handler; see signal(7).

EINVAL The call would have blocked, and abs\_timeout was invalid, either because tv\_sec was less than zero, or because tv\_nsec was less than zero or greater than 1000 million.

#### **EMSGSIZE**

msg\_len was greater than the mq\_msgsize attribute of the message queue.

#### **ETIMEDOUT**

The call timed out before a message could be transferred.

#### **ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see at? tributes(7).

?Interface ? Attribute ? Value ?

#### **CONFORMING TO**

POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008.

## NOTES

On Linux, mq\_timedsend() is a system call, and mq\_send() is a library function layered on top of that system call.

#### SEE ALSO

mq\_close(3), mq\_getattr(3), mq\_notify(3), mq\_open(3), mq\_receive(3),
mq\_unlink(3), mq\_overview(7), time(7)

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