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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'split.1'

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split - split a file into pieces

**SYNOPSIS** 

split [OPTION]... [FILE [PREFIX]]

### **DESCRIPTION**

Output pieces of FILE to PREFIXaa, PREFIXab, ...; default size is 1000

lines, and default PREFIX is 'x'.

With no FILE, or when FILE is -, read standard input.

Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options

too.

-a, --suffix-length=N

generate suffixes of length N (default 2)

--additional-suffix=SUFFIX

append an additional SUFFIX to file names

-b, --bytes=SIZE

put SIZE bytes per output file

-C, --line-bytes=SIZE Page 1/3

put at most SIZE bytes of records per output file

- -d use numeric suffixes starting at 0, not alphabetic
- --numeric-suffixes[=FROM]

same as -d, but allow setting the start value

- -x use hex suffixes starting at 0, not alphabetic
- --hex-suffixes[=FROM]

same as -x, but allow setting the start value

-e, --elide-empty-files

do not generate empty output files with '-n'

--filter=COMMAND

write to shell COMMAND; file name is \$FILE

-I, --lines=NUMBER

put NUMBER lines/records per output file

-n, --number=CHUNKS

generate CHUNKS output files; see explanation below

-t, --separator=SEP

use SEP instead of newline as the record separator; '\0' (zero)

specifies the NUL character

-u, --unbuffered

immediately copy input to output with '-n r/...'

--verbose

print a diagnostic just before each output file is opened

- --help display this help and exit
- --version

output version information and exit

The SIZE argument is an integer and optional unit (example: 10K is 10\*1024). Units are K,M,G,T,P,E,Z,Y (powers of 1024) or KB,MB,...

(powers of 1000). Binary prefixes can be used, too: KiB=K, MiB=M, and so on.

CHUNKS may be:

N split into N files based on size of input

K/N output Kth of N to stdout

I/N split into N files without splitting lines/records

I/K/N output Kth of N to stdout without splitting lines/records

r/N like 'l' but use round robin distribution

r/K/N likewise but only output Kth of N to stdout

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## SEE ALSO

Full documentation <a href="https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/split">https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/split</a>

or available locally via: info '(coreutils) split invocation'

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