



### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'wctype.3'***

**\$ man wctype.3**

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#### NAME

wctype - wide-character classification

#### SYNOPSIS

```
#include <wctype.h>
```

```
wctype_t wctype(const char *name);
```

#### DESCRIPTION

The `wctype_t` type represents a property which a wide character may or may not have. In other words, it represents a class of wide characters. This type's nature is implementation-dependent, but the special value (`wctype_t`) 0 denotes an invalid property. Nonzero `wctype_t` values can be passed to the `iswctype(3)` function to actually test whether a given wide character has the property.

The `wctype()` function returns a property, given by its name. The set of valid names depends on the `LC_CTYPE` category of the current locale, but the following names are valid in all locales.

"alnum" - realizes the `isalnum(3)` classification function

"alpha" - realizes the `isalpha(3)` classification function

"blank" - realizes the isblank(3) classification function

"cntrl" - realizes the iscntrl(3) classification function

"digit" - realizes the isdigit(3) classification function

"graph" - realizes the isgraph(3) classification function

"lower" - realizes the islower(3) classification function

"print" - realizes the isprint(3) classification function

"punct" - realizes the ispunct(3) classification function

"space" - realizes the isspace(3) classification function

"upper" - realizes the isupper(3) classification function

"xdigit" - realizes the isxdigit(3) classification function

## RETURN VALUE

The wctype() function returns a property descriptor if the name is valid. Otherwise, it returns (wctype\_t) 0.

## ATTRIBUTES

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

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## CONFORMING TO

POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008, C99.

## NOTES

The behavior of wctype() depends on the LC\_CTYPE category of the current locale.

## SEE ALSO

iswctype(3)

## COLOPHON

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