

NAME

securetty – file which lists terminals from which root can log in

DESCRIPTION

The file */etc/securetty* contains the names of terminals (one per line, without leading */dev/*) which are considered secure for the transmission of certain authentication tokens.

It is used by (some versions of) **login**(1) to restrict the terminals on which root is allowed to login. See **login.defs**(5) if you use the shadow suite.

On PAM enabled systems, it is used for the same purpose by **pam_securetty**(8) to restrict the terminals on which empty passwords are accepted.

FILES

/etc/securetty

SEE ALSO

login(1), **login.defs**(5), **pam_securetty**(8)

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