

NAME

ethtool – Display or change ethernet card settings

SYNOPSIS

ethtool *ethX*

ethtool -h|--help

ethtool -a|--show-pause *ethX*

ethtool -A|--pause *ethX* [autoneg on|off] [rx on|off] [tx on|off]

ethtool -c|--show-coalesce *ethX*

ethtool -C|--coalesce *ethX* [adaptive-rx on|off] [adaptive-tx on|off] [rx-usecs *N*] [rx-frames *N*] [rx-usecs-irq *N*] [rx-frames-irq *N*] [tx-usecs *N*] [tx-frames *N*] [tx-usecs-irq *N*] [tx-frames-irq *N*] [stats-block-usecs *N*] [pkt-rate-low *N*] [rx-usecs-low *N*] [rx-frames-low *N*] [tx-usecs-low *N*] [tx-frames-low *N*] [pkt-rate-high *N*] [rx-usecs-high *N*] [rx-frames-high *N*] [tx-usecs-high *N*] [tx-frames-high *N*] [sample-interval *N*]

ethtool -g|--show-ring *ethX*

ethtool -G|--set-ring *ethX* [rx *N*] [rx-mini *N*] [rx-jumbo *N*] [tx *N*]

ethtool -i|--driver *ethX*

ethtool -d|--register-dump *ethX* [raw on|off]

ethtool -e|--eeprom-dump *ethX* [raw on|off] [offset *N*] [length *N*]

ethtool -E|--change-eeprom *ethX* [magic *N*] [offset *N*] [value *N*]

ethtool -k|--show-offload *ethX*

ethtool -K|--offload *ethX* [rx on|off] [tx on|off] [sg on|off] [tso on|off] [ufo on|off] [gso on|off]

ethtool -p|--blink *ethX* [/N]

ethtool -r|--negotiate *ethX*

ethtool -S|--statistics *ethX*

ethtool -t|--test *ethX* [offline|online]

ethtool -s *ethX* [speed 10|100|1000] [duplex half|full] [port tp|au|bnc|mii] [autoneg on|off] [phyad *N*] [xcvr internal|external] [wol p|u|m|b|a|g|s|d...] [sopass xx:yy:zz:aa:bb:cc] [msglvl *N*]

DESCRIPTION

ethtool is used for querying settings of an ethernet device and changing them.

ethX is the name of the ethernet device to work on.

OPTIONS

ethtool with a single argument specifying the device name prints current setting of the specified device.

- h --help**
shows a short help message.
- a --show-pause**
queries the specified ethernet device for pause parameter information.
- A --pause**
change the pause parameters of the specified ethernet device.
- autoneg on|off**
Specify if pause autonegotiation is enabled.
- rx on|off**
Specify if RX pause is enabled.
- tx on|off**
Specify if TX pause is enabled.
- c --show-coalesce**
queries the specified ethernet device for coalescing information.
- C --coalesce**
change the coalescing settings of the specified ethernet device.
- g --show-ring**
queries the specified ethernet device for rx/tx ring parameter information.
- G --set-ring**
change the rx/tx ring parameters of the specified ethernet device.
- rx *N*** Change number of ring entries for the Rx ring.
- rx-mini *N***
Change number of ring entries for the Rx Mini ring.
- rx-jumbo *N***
Change number of ring entries for the Rx Jumbo ring.
- tx *N*** Change number of ring entries for the Tx ring.
- i --driver**
queries the specified ethernet device for associated driver information.
- d --register-dump**
retrieves and prints a register dump for the specified ethernet device. When raw is enabled, then it dumps the raw register data to stdout.
- e --eeprom-dump**
retrieves and prints an EEPROM dump for the specified ethernet device. When raw is enabled, then it dumps the raw EEPROM data to stdout. The length and offset parameters allow dumping certain portions of the EEPROM. Default is to dump the entire EEPROM.
- E --change-eeprom**
Changes EEPROM byte for the specified ethernet device. offset and value specify which byte and it's new value. Because of the persistent nature of writing to the EEPROM, a device-specific magic key must be specified to prevent the accidental writing to the EEPROM.
- k --show-offload**
queries the specified ethernet device for offload information.
- K --offload**
change the offload parameters of the specified ethernet device.
- rx on|off**
Specify if RX checksumming is enabled.

tx on|off

Specify if TX checksumming is enabled.

sg on|off

Specify if scatter-gather is enabled.

tso on|off

Specify if tcp segmentation offload is enabled.

ufo on|off

Specify if UDP fragmentation offload is enabled

gso on|off

Specify if generic segmentation offload is enabled

-p --identify

initiates adapter-specific action intended to enable an operator to easily identify the adapter by sight. Typically this involves blinking one or more LEDs on the specific ethernet port.

N Length of time to perform phys-id, in seconds.

-r --negotiate

restarts auto-negotiation on the specified ethernet device, if auto-negotiation is enabled.

-S --statistics

queries the specified ethernet device for NIC- and driver-specific statistics.

-t --test

executes adapter selftest on the specified ethernet device. Possible test modes are:

offline|online

defines test type: **offline** (default) means to perform full set of tests possibly causing normal operation interruption during the tests, **online** means to perform limited set of tests do not interrupting normal adapter operation.

-s --change

option allows changing some or all settings of the specified ethernet device. All following options only apply if **-s** was specified.

speed 10|100|1000

Set speed in Mb/s. **ethtool** with single argument will show you the supported device speeds.

duplex half|full

Set full or half duplex mode.

port tp|aui|bnc|mii

Select device port.

autoneg on|off

Specify if autonegotiation is enabled. In the usual case it is, but might cause some problems with some network devices, so you can turn it off.

phyad N

PHY address.

xcvr internal|external

Select transceiver type. Currently only internal and external can be specified, in the future further types might be added.

wol p|u|m|b|a|g|s|d...

Set Wake-on-LAN options. Not all devices support this. The argument to this option is a string of characters specifying which options to enable.

p Wake on phy activity

u Wake on unicast messages

- m** Wake on multicast messages
- b** Wake on broadcast messages
- a** Wake on ARP
- g** Wake on MagicPacket(tm)
- s** Enable SecureOn(tm) password for MagicPacket(tm)
- d** Disable (wake on nothing). This option clears all previous options.

sopass *xx:yy:zz:aa:bb:cc*

Set the SecureOn(tm) password. The argument to this option must be 6 bytes in ethernet MAC hex format (*xx:yy:zz:aa:bb:cc*).

msglvl *N*

Set the driver message level. Meanings differ per driver.

BUGS

Not supported (in part or whole) on all ethernet drivers.

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AVAILABILITY

ethtool is available over the Web on the SourceForge site at <http://sourceforge.net/projects/gkernel/>