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NAME

lpd — line printer daemon

SYNOPSIS

/etc/lpd

DESCRIPTION

Lpd is the line printer daemon (spool area handler) invoked by *lpr*. It uses the directory */usr/lpd*. The file *lock* in that directory is used to prevent two daemons from becoming active simultaneously. After the daemon has successfully set the lock, it scans the directory for files beginning with "df." Each such file is submitted as a job. Each line of a job file must begin with a key character to specify what to do with the remainder of the line.

L specifies that the remainder of the line is to be sent as a literal.

B specifies that the rest of the line is a file name. That file is to be sent as binary cards.

F is the same as **B** except a form feed is prepended to the file.

U specifies that the rest of the line is a file name. After the job has been transmitted, the file is unlinked.

FILES

<i>/usr/lpd/*</i>	spool area
<i>/dev/lp</i>	printer

SEE ALSO

lpr (I)

BUGS

Temporary files (of the form *tf.**) never get removed and must be deleted manually.