

**NAME**

install-info – update info/dir entries

**SYNOPSIS**

**install-info** [*OPTION*]... [*INFO-FILE* [*DIR-FILE*]]

**DESCRIPTION**

Add or remove entries in *INFO-FILE* from the Info directory *DIR-FILE*. *INFO-FILE* and *DIR-FILE* are required unless the **--info-file** or **--dir-file** (or **--info-dir**) options are given, respectively.

**OPTIONS**

**--add-once**

add only to first matching section, not all.

**--align=COL**

start description of new entries at column COL.

**--calign=COL**

format second and subsequent description lines to start at column COL.

**--debug**

report what is being done.

**--delete**

delete existing entries for *INFO-FILE* from *DIR-FILE*; don't insert any new entries.

**--defsection=TEXT**

like **--section**, but only use *TEXT* if no sections are present in *INFO-FILE* (replacing "Miscellaneous").

**--description=TEXT**

the description of the entry is *TEXT*; used with the **--name** option to become synonymous with the **--entry** option.

**--dir-file=NAME**

specify file name of Info directory file; equivalent to using the *DIR-FILE* argument.

**--dry-run**

same as **--test**.

**--entry=TEXT**

insert *TEXT* as an Info directory entry, overriding any corresponding entry from *DIR-FILE*. *TEXT* is written as an Info menu item line followed

by zero or more extra lines starting with whitespace.

If you specify more than one entry, all are added. If you don't specify any entries, they are determined

from information in the Info file itself.

**--help** display this help and exit.

**--info-dir=DIR**

same as **--dir-file=DIR/dir**.

**--info-file=FILE**

specify Info file to install in the directory; equivalent to using the *INFO-FILE* argument.

**--item=TEXT**

same as **--entry=TEXT**.

**--keep-old**

do not replace entries, or remove empty sections.

**--maxwidth, --max-width=COL**  
wrap description at column COL.

**--menuentry=TEXT**  
same as **--name=TEXT**.

**--name=TEXT**  
the name of the entry is TEXT; used with **--description** to become synonymous with the **--entry** option.

**--no-indent**  
do not format new entries in the DIR file.

**--quiet**  
suppress warnings.

**--regex=R**  
put this file's entries in all sections that match the regular expression R (ignoring case).

**--remove**  
same as **--delete**.

**--remove-exactly**  
only remove if the info file name matches exactly; suffixes such as .info and .gz are not ignored.

**--section=SEC**  
put entries in section SEC of the directory. If you specify more than one section, all the entries are added in each of the sections.  
If you don't specify any sections, they are determined from information in the Info file itself;  
if nothing is available there, the **--defsection** value is used; if that is not specified, the final default is "Miscellaneous".

**--section R SEC**  
equivalent to **--regex=R --section=SEC --add-once**.

**--silent**  
suppress warnings.

**--test** suppress updating of DIR-FILE.

**--version**  
display version information and exit.

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## SEE ALSO

The full documentation for **install-info** is maintained as a Texinfo manual. If the **info** and **install-info** programs are properly installed at your site, the command

**info install-info**

should give you access to the complete manual.