

**NAME**

grep-excuses – search the testing excuses files for a specific maintainer

**SYNOPSIS**

**grep-excuses** [*options*] [*maintainer*|*package*]

**DESCRIPTION**

**grep-excuses** downloads the autoremovals and update\_excuses.html files and greps them for the specified maintainer or package name. The **wget** package is required for this script. If no name is given on the command line, first the environment variable **DEBFULLNAME** is used if it is defined, and failing that, the configuration variable described below is used.

**OPTIONS**

**--no-conf, --noconf**

Do not read any configuration files. This can only be used as the first option given on the command-line.

**--wipnity, -w**

Get information from <<https://qa.debian.org/excuses.php>>. A package name must be given when using this option.

**--help** Show a brief usage message.

**--version**

Show version and copyright information.

**--autopkgtests**

Investigate and show autopkgtest (ci.debian.net) failures in your packages but apparently caused by new versions of other packages trying to migrate. (**--no-autopkgtests** can be used to override GREP\_EXCUSES\_AUTOPKGTESTS.)

**--no-autoremovals**

Investigate and show only testing propagation excuses, not autoremovals.

**--debug**

Print debugging output to stderr (including url(s) fetched).

**CONFIGURATION VARIABLES**

The two configuration files */etc/devscripts.conf* and *~/.devscripts* are sourced in that order to set configuration variables. Command line options can be used to override configuration file settings. Environment variable settings are ignored for this purpose. The currently recognised variable is:

**GREP\_EXCUSES\_MAINTAINER**

The default maintainer, email or package to grep for if none is specified on the command line.

**GREP\_EXCUSES\_AUTOPKGTESTS**

Boolean: whether to show autopkgtest failures in other packages. See **--autopkgtests**.

**SEE ALSO**

**devscripts.conf(5)**

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