

**NAME**

dm`ail`, dm`ailbox` – program for processing local mail messages

**SYNOPSIS**

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dmail [recipient(s)] [-f from] [-s subject]
      [-d] [-o option(s)] [-s protocol] [-pm program-mode] [-sn search-name]
dmailbox [recipient(s)] [-f from] [-s subject] [-m mailbox]
      [-o option(s)] [-s protocol] [-pm program-mode] [-sn search-name]
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**DESCRIPTION**

These programs perform the low-level mail-message delivery function. The **dm`ail`** program performs delivery to the system mail-spool deliver area. The **dm`ailbox`** program performs delivery to a specific mailbox of a specified user. One or more optional recipients can be specified for {delivery (with either program). If no recipients are specified, a default recipient is used corresponding to the user invoking the program. Mail messages (optionally more than one in UNIX® MAILBOX format) are provided on standard-input.

**OPTIONS**

- f** *from* Specify an optional `from` address. By default the "from" address is automatically determined and is associated with the user invoking the program.
- s** *subject* An optional subject string can be specified. The default is to use any subject which may already be present in the mail message.
- m** *mailbox* For the **dm`ailbox`** program, this option allows for an optional mailbox to be specified to receive the mail message. By default the target mailbox is `copy` .
- d** This option is ignored for historical reasons.
- o** *option(s)* Options in the form of key-value pairs can be specified. The value part can be omitted.
- p** *protocol* An optional "protocol" can be supplied specifying how this program was called, not what this program will do.
- pm** *program-mode* Generally used for testing, the program-mode can be specified. Valid program modes are: `dmail` , and `dmailbox` . The program mode specifies what mode the program operates in.
- sn** *search-name* Generally used for testing, a program search-name can be specified. Valid program modes are: `dmail` , and `dmailbox` . The program search-name specifies under what name the program searches for optional files (like a configuration file).

**FILES**

- /var/mail** this is the default system mail-spool delivery directory
- /var/adm/mail** this is the default mail-spool delivery directory for mail that cannot be delivered normally (for whatever reason)

**SEE ALSO**

**biff**(1), **mail**(1), **uucp**(1C), **uux**(1C),

**NOTES**

This is a SETGID program and will not (likely) be able to access the mail spool area for delivery if it is not installed SETGID.

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