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# ParticleSettings(ID)

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**class** bpy.types.**ParticleSettings**(ID)

Particle settings, reusable by multiple particle systems

**active\_instanceweight**

**TYPE:**

[ParticleDupliWeight](#), (readonly)

**active\_instanceweight\_index**

**TYPE:**

int in [0, inf], default 0

**active\_texture**

Active texture slot being displayed

**TYPE:**

[Texture](#)

**active\_texture\_index**

Index of active texture slot

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 17], default 0

**adaptive\_angle**

How many degrees path has to curve to make another render segment

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 45], default 5

**adaptive\_pixel**

How many pixels path has to cover to make another render segment

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 50], default 3

**angular\_velocity\_factor**

Angular velocity amount (in radians per second)

**TYPE:**

float in [-200, 200], default 0.0

**angular\_velocity\_mode**

What axis is used to change particle rotation with time

**TYPE:**

enum in ['NONE', 'VELOCITY', 'HORIZONTAL', 'VERTICAL', 'GLOBAL\_X', 'GLOBAL\_Y', 'GLOBAL\_Z', 'RAND'], default 'VELOCITY'

**animation\_data**

Animation data for this data-block

**TYPE:**

.....

`AnimData` , (readonly)

### **apply\_effector\_to\_children**

Apply effectors to children

#### **TYPE:**

boolean, default False

### **apply\_guide\_to\_children**

#### **TYPE:**

boolean, default False

### **bending\_random**

Random stiffness of hairs

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

### **boids**

#### **TYPE:**

`BoidSettings` , (readonly)

### **branch\_threshold**

Threshold of branching

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

### **brownian\_factor**

Amount of random, erratic particle movement

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 200], default 0.0

### **child\_length**

Length of child paths

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 1.0

### **child\_length\_threshold**

Amount of particles left untouched by child path length

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

### **child\_parting\_factor**

Create parting in the children based on parent strands

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

### **child\_parting\_max**

Maximum root to tip angle (tip distance/root distance for long hair)

#### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 180], default 0.0

**child\_parting\_min**

Minimum root to tip angle (tip distance/root distance for long hair)

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 180], default 0.0

**child\_percent**

Number of children per parent

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 100000], default 10

**child\_radius**

Radius of children around parent

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 100000], default 0.2

**child\_roundness**

Roundness of children around parent

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**child\_size**

A multiplier for the child particle size

**TYPE:**

float in [0.001, 100000], default 1.0

**child\_size\_random**

Random variation to the size of the child particles

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**child\_type**

Create child particles

**TYPE:**

enum in ['NONE', 'SIMPLE', 'INTERPOLATED'], default 'NONE'

**clump\_curve**

Curve defining clump tapering

**TYPE:**

[CurveMapping](#), (readonly)

**clump\_factor**

Amount of clumping

**TYPE:**

float in [-1, 1], default 0.0

**clump\_noise\_size**

Size of clump noise

**TYPE:**

float in [1e-05, 100000], default 1.0

**clump\_shape**

Shape of clumping

**TYPE:**

float in [-0.999, 0.999], default 0.0

**collision\_collection**

Limit colliders to this collection

**TYPE:**

`Collection`

**color\_maximum**

Maximum length of the particle color vector

**TYPE:**

float in [0.01, 100], default 1.0

**count**

Total number of particles

**TYPE:**

int in [0, inf], default 1000

**courant\_target**

The relative distance a particle can move before requiring more subframes (target Courant number); 0.01 to 0.3 is the recommended range

**TYPE:**

float in [0.0001, 10], default 0.2

**create\_long\_hair\_children**

Calculate children that suit long hair well

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**damping**

Amount of damping

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**display\_color**

Display additional particle data as a color

**TYPE:**

enum in ['NONE', 'MATERIAL', 'VELOCITY', 'ACCELERATION'], default 'MATERIAL'

**display\_method**

How particles are displayed in viewport

**TYPE:**

enum in ['NONE', 'RENDER', 'DOT', 'CIRC', 'CROSS', 'AXIS'], default 'RENDER'

**display\_percentage**

Percentage of particles to display in 3D view

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 100], default 100

**display\_size**

Size of particles on viewport

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1000], default 0.1

**display\_step**

How many steps paths are displayed with (power of 2)

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 10], default 2

**distribution**

How to distribute particles on selected element

**TYPE:**

enum in ['JIT', 'RAND', 'GRID'], default 'JIT'

**drag\_factor**

Amount of air drag

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**effect\_hair**

Hair stiffness for effectors

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**effector\_amount**

How many particles are effectors (0 is all particles)

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 10000], default 0

**effector\_weights**

**TYPE:**

`EffectorWeights`, (readonly)

**emit\_from**

Where to emit particles from

**TYPE:**

enum in ['VERT', 'FACE', 'VOLUME'], default 'FACE'

**factor\_random**

Give the starting velocity a random variation

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 200], default 0.0

**fluid**

**TYPE:**

`SPHFluidSettings`, (readonly)

**force\_field\_1**

**TYPE:**

`FieldSettings`, (readonly)

**force\_field\_2**

**TYPE:**

`FieldSettings`, (readonly)

**frame\_end**

Frame number to stop emitting particles

**TYPE:**

float in [-1.04857e+06, 1.04857e+06], default 200.0

**frame\_start**

Frame number to start emitting particles

**TYPE:**

float in [-1.04857e+06, 1.04857e+06], default 1.0

**grid\_random**

Add random offset to the grid locations

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**grid\_resolution**

The resolution of the particle grid

**TYPE:**

int in [1, 250], default 10

**hair\_length**

Length of the hair

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1000], default 0.0

**hair\_step**

Number of hair segments

**TYPE:**

int in [2, 32767], default 5

**hexagonal\_grid**

Create the grid in a hexagonal pattern

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**instance\_collection**

Show objects in this collection in place of particles

**TYPE:**

## Collection

### instance\_object

Show this object in place of particles

#### TYPE:

`Object`

### instance\_weights

Weights for all of the objects in the instance collection

#### TYPE:

`bpy_prop_collection` of `ParticleDupliWeight`, (readonly)

### integrator

Algorithm used to calculate physics, from the fastest to the most stable and accurate: Midpoint, Euler, Verlet, RK4

#### TYPE:

enum in ['EULER', 'VERLET', 'MIDPOINT', 'RK4'], default 'MIDPOINT'

### invert\_grid

Invert what is considered object and what is not

#### TYPE:

boolean, default False

### is\_fluid

Particles were created by a fluid simulation

#### TYPE:

boolean, default False, (readonly)

### jitter\_factor

Amount of jitter applied to the sampling

#### TYPE:

float in [0, 2], default 1.0

### keyed\_loops

Number of times the keys are looped

#### TYPE:

int in [1, 10000], default 1

### keys\_step

#### TYPE:

int in [0, 32767], default 5

### kink

Type of periodic offset on the path

#### TYPE:

enum in ['NO', 'CURL', 'RADIAL', 'WAVE', 'BRAID', 'SPIRAL'], default 'NO'

### kink\_amplitude

The amplitude of the offset

#### TYPE:

**TYPE:**

float in [-100000, 100000], default 0.2

**kink\_amplitude\_clump**

How much clump affects kink amplitude

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 1.0

**kink\_amplitude\_random**

Random variation of the amplitude

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**kink\_axis**

Which axis to use for offset

**TYPE:**

enum in [Axis Xyz Items](#), default 'Z'

**kink\_axis\_random**

Random variation of the orientation

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**kink\_extra\_steps**

Extra steps for resolution of special kink features

**TYPE:**

int in [1, inf], default 4

**kink\_flat**

How flat the hairs are

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**kink\_frequency**

The frequency of the offset (1/total length)

**TYPE:**

float in [-100000, 100000], default 2.0

**kink\_shape**

Adjust the offset to the beginning/end

**TYPE:**

float in [-0.999, 0.999], default 0.0

**length\_random**

Give path length a random variation

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**lifetime**



Life span of the particles

**TYPE:**

float in [1, 1.04857e+06], default 50.0

**lifetime\_random**

Give the particle life a random variation

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**line\_length\_head**

Length of the line's head

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 100000], default 0.0

**line\_length\_tail**

Length of the line's tail

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 100000], default 0.0

**lock\_boids\_to\_surface**

Constrain boids to a surface

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**mass**

Mass of the particles

**TYPE:**

float in [1e-08, 100000], default 1.0

**material**

Index of material slot used for rendering particles

**TYPE:**

int in [1, 32767], default 1

**material\_slot**

Material slot used for rendering particles

**TYPE:**

enum in ['DUMMY'], default 'DUMMY'

**normal\_factor**

Let the surface normal give the particle a starting velocity

**TYPE:**

float in [-1000, 1000], default 1.0

**object\_align\_factor**

Let the emitter object orientation give the particle a starting velocity

**TYPE:**

`mathutils.Vector` of 3 items in [-200, 200], default (0.0, 0.0, 0.0)

**object\_factor**

Let the object give the particle a starting velocity

**TYPE:**

float in [-200, 200], default 0.0

**particle\_factor**

Let the target particle give the particle a starting velocity

**TYPE:**

float in [-200, 200], default 0.0

**particle\_size**

The size of the particles

**TYPE:**

float in [0.001, 100000], default 0.05

**path\_end**

End time of path

**TYPE:**

float in [-inf, inf], default 1.0

**path\_start**

Starting time of path

**TYPE:**

float in [-inf, inf], default 0.0

**phase\_factor**

Rotation around the chosen orientation axis

**TYPE:**

float in [-1, 1], default 0.0

**phase\_factor\_random**

Randomize rotation around the chosen orientation axis

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 2], default 0.0

**physics\_type**

Particle physics type

**TYPE:**

enum in ['NO', 'NEWTON', 'KEYED', 'BOIDS', 'FLUID'], default 'NEWTON'

**radius\_scale**

Multiplier of diameter properties

**TYPE:**

float in [0, inf], default 0.01

**react\_event**

The event of target particles to react on

**TYPE:**

enum in ['DEATH', 'COLLIDE', 'NEAR'], default 'DEATH'

#### **reactor\_factor**

Let the vector away from the target particle's location give the particle a starting velocity

##### **TYPE:**

float in [-10, 10], default 0.0

#### **render\_step**

How many steps paths are rendered with (power of 2)

##### **TYPE:**

int in [0, 20], default 3

#### **render\_type**

How particles are rendered

##### **TYPE:**

enum in ['NONE', 'HALO', 'LINE', 'PATH', 'OBJECT', 'COLLECTION'], default 'HALO'

#### **rendered\_child\_count**

Number of children per parent for rendering

##### **TYPE:**

int in [0, 100000], default 100

#### **root\_radius**

Strand diameter width at the root

##### **TYPE:**

float in [0, inf], default 1.0

#### **rotation\_factor\_random**

Randomize particle orientation

##### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

#### **rotation\_mode**

Particle orientation axis (does not affect Explode modifier's results)

##### **TYPE:**

enum in ['NONE', 'NOR', 'NOR\_TAN', 'VEL', 'GLOB\_X', 'GLOB\_Y', 'GLOB\_Z', 'OB\_X', 'OB\_Y', 'OB\_Z'], default 'VEL'

#### **roughness\_1**

Amount of location dependent roughness

##### **TYPE:**

float in [0, 100000], default 0.0

#### **roughness\_1\_size**

Size of location dependent roughness

##### **TYPE:**

float in [0.01, 100000], default 1.0

#### **roughness\_2**

Amount of freedom roughness

Amount of random roughness

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 100000], default 0.0

**roughness\_2\_size**

Size of random roughness

**TYPE:**

float in [0.01, 100000], default 1.0

**roughness\_2\_threshold**

Amount of particles left untouched by random roughness

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**roughness\_curve**

Curve defining roughness

**TYPE:**

[CurveMapping](#) , (readonly)

**roughness\_end\_shape**

Shape of endpoint roughness

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 10], default 1.0

**roughness\_endpoint**

Amount of endpoint roughness

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 100000], default 0.0

**shape**

Strand shape parameter

**TYPE:**

float in [-1, 1], default 0.0

**show\_guide\_hairs**

Show guide hairs

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**show\_hair\_grid**

Show hair simulation grid

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**show\_health**

Display boid health

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**show\_number**

Show particle number

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**show\_size**

Show particle size

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**show\_unborn**

Show particles before they are emitted

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**show\_velocity**

Show particle velocity

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**size\_random**

Give the particle size a random variation

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**subframes**

Subframes to simulate for improved stability and finer granularity simulations ( $dt = \text{timestep} / (\text{subframes} + 1)$ )

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 1000], default 0

**tangent\_factor**

Let the surface tangent give the particle a starting velocity

**TYPE:**

float in [-1000, 1000], default 0.0

**tangent\_phase**

Rotate the surface tangent

**TYPE:**

float in [-1, 1], default 0.0

**texture\_slots**

Texture slots defining the mapping and influence of textures

**TYPE:**

`ParticleSettingsTextureSlots` `bpy_prop_collection` of `ParticleSettingsTextureSlot`,  
(readonly)

**time\_tweak**

A multiplier for physics timestep (1.0 means one frame = 1/25 seconds)

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 100], default 1.0

**timestep**

The simulation timestep per frame (seconds per frame)

**TYPE:**

float in [0.0001, 100], default 0.0

**tip\_radius**

Strand diameter width at the tip

**TYPE:**

float in [0, inf], default 0.0

**trail\_count**

Number of trail particles

**TYPE:**

int in [1, 100000], default 0

**twist**

Number of turns around parent along the strand

**TYPE:**

float in [-100000, 100000], default 0.0

**twist\_curve**

Curve defining twist

**TYPE:**

[CurveMapping](#), (readonly)

**type**

Particle type

**TYPE:**

enum in ['EMITTER', 'HAIR'], default 'EMITTER'

**use\_absolute\_path\_time**

Path timing is in absolute frames

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_adaptive\_subframes**

Automatically set the number of subframes

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_advanced\_hair**

Use full physics calculations for growing hair

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_close\_tip**

Set tip radius to zero

**TYPE:**

boolean, default True

**use\_clump\_curve**

Use a curve to define clump tapering

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_clump\_noise**

Create random clumps around the parent

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_collection\_count**

Use object multiple times in the same collection

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_collection\_pick\_random**

Pick objects from collection randomly

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_dead**

Show particles after they have died

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_die\_on\_collision**

Particles die when they collide with a deflector object

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_dynamic\_rotation**

Particle rotations are affected by collisions and effectors

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_emit\_random**

Emit in random order of elements

**TYPE:**

boolean, default True

**use\_even\_distribution**

Use even distribution from faces based on face areas or edge lengths

**TYPE:**

boolean, default True

**use\_global\_instance**

Use object's global coordinates for duplication

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_hair\_bspline**

Interpolate hair using B-Splines

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_modifier\_stack**

Emit particles from mesh with modifiers applied (must use same subdivision surface level for viewport and render for correct results)

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_multiply\_size\_mass**

Multiply mass by particle size

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_parent\_particles**

Render parent particles

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_react\_multiple**

React multiple times

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_react\_start\_end**

Give birth to unreacted particles eventually

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_regrow\_hair**

Regrow hair for each frame

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_render\_adaptive**

Display steps of the particle path

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_rotation\_instance**

Use object's rotation for duplication (global x-axis is aligned particle rotation axis)



**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_rotations**

Calculate particle rotations

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_roughness\_curve**

Use a curve to define roughness

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_scale\_instance**

Use object's scale for duplication

**TYPE:**

boolean, default True

**use\_self\_effect**

Particle effectors affect themselves

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_size\_deflect**

Use particle's size in deflection

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_strand\_primitive**

Use the strand primitive for rendering

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_twist\_curve**

Use a curve to define twist

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_velocity\_length**

Multiply line length by particle speed

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**use\_whole\_collection**

Use whole collection at once

**TYPE:**

boolean, default False

**userjit**

Emission locations per face (0 = automatic)

**TYPE:**

int in [0, 1000], default 0

**virtual\_parents**

Relative amount of virtual parents

**TYPE:**

float in [0, 1], default 0.0

**classmethod bl\_rna\_get\_subclass(id, default=None)**

**PARAMETERS:**

**id** (*str*) – The RNA type identifier.

**RETURNS:**

The RNA type or default when not found.

**RETURN TYPE:**

`bpy.types.Struct` subclass

**classmethod bl\_rna\_get\_subclass\_py(id, default=None)**

**PARAMETERS:**

**id** (*str*) – The RNA type identifier.

**RETURNS:**

The class or default when not found.

**RETURN TYPE:**

`type`

## Inherited Properties

- `bpy_struct.id_data`
- `ID.name`
- `ID.name_full`
- `ID.id_type`
- `ID.session_uid`
- `ID.is_evaluated`
- `ID.original`
- `ID.users`
- `ID.use_fake_user`
- `ID.use_extra_user`
- `ID.is_embedded_data`
- `ID.is_missing`
- `ID.is_runtime_data`
- `ID.is_editable`
- `ID.tag`
- `ID.is_library_indirect`
- `ID.library`
- `ID.library_weak_reference`
- `ID.asset_data`
- `ID.override_library`
- `ID.preview`

## Inherited Functions

- `bpy_struct.as_pointer`
- `bpy_struct.driver_add`
- `bpy_struct.driver_remove`
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- `bpy_struct.id_properties_ensure`
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- `bpy_struct.values`
- `ID.rename`
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- `ID.copy`
- `ID.asset mark`

- `bpy_struct.id_properties_ui`
- `bpy_struct.is_property_hidden`
- `bpy_struct.is_property_overridable_library`
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- `bpy_struct.is_property_set`
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- `bpy_struct.keyframe_delete`
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- `bpy_struct.keys`
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- `bpy_struct.path_resolve`
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- `ID.asset_clear`
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- `ID.update_tag`
- `ID.preview_ensure`
- `ID.bl_rna_get_subclass`
- `ID.bl_rna_get_subclass_py`

## References

- `bpy.context.particle_settings`
- `BlendData.particles`
- `BlendDataParticles.new`
- `BlendDataParticles.remove`
- `ParticleSystem.settings`