

**NAME**

control-alt-delete – event signalling console press of Control-Alt-Delete

**SYNOPSIS**

**control-alt-delete** [*ENV*]...

**DESCRIPTION**

The **control-alt-delete** event is generated by the Upstart **init**(8) daemon when the Control-Alt-Delete key combination is pressed on the console.

Typically this combination is used to safely reboot the machine.

In the default Upstart configuration handling of this event is provided by the */etc/init/control-alt-delete.conf* task which runs the **shutdown**(8) tool.

**EXAMPLE**

A task to be run on Control-Alt-Delete might use:

```
start on control-alt-delete
```

**SEE ALSO**

**keyboard-request**(7) **init**(8)