

**NAME**

issue – pre-login message and identification file

**DESCRIPTION**

The file */etc/issue* is a text file which contains a message or system identification to be printed before the login prompt. It may contain various *@char* and *\char* sequences, if supported by the **getty**-type program employed on the system.

**FILES**

*/etc/issue*

**SEE ALSO**

**motd(5)**, **agetty(8)**, **mingetty(8)**

**COLOPHON**

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