

# ioctl VIDIOC\_CROPCAP

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.. c:namespace:: V4L
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## Name

VIDIOC\_CROPCAP - Information about the video cropping and scaling abilities

## Synopsis

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.. c:macro:: VIDIOC_CROPCAP
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```
int ioctl(int fd, VIDIOC_CROPCAP, struct v4l2_crocap *argp)
```

## Arguments

fd

File descriptor returned by `c:func:open()`.

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argp

Pointer to struct `c:type:v4l2_crocap`.

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## Description

Applications use this function to query the cropping limits, the pixel aspect of images and to calculate scale factors. They set the `type` field of a `v4l2_crocap` structure to the respective buffer (stream) type and call the `ref:VIDIOC_CROPCAP` ioctl with a pointer to this structure. Drivers fill the rest of the structure. The results are constant except when switching the video standard. Remember this switch can occur implicit when switching the video input or output.

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This ioctl must be implemented for video capture or output devices that support cropping and/or scaling and/or have non-square pixels, and for overlay devices.

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.. c:type:: v4l2_crocap
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.. flat-table:: struct v4l2_crocap
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   :stub-columns: 0
   :widths:      1 1 2

   * - u32
     - ``type``
     - Type of the data stream, set by the application. Only these types
       are valid here: ``V4L2_BUF_TYPE_VIDEO_CAPTURE``, ``V4L2_BUF_TYPE_VIDEO_CAPTURE_MPLANE``,
       ``V4L2_BUF_TYPE_VIDEO_OUTPUT``, ``V4L2_BUF_TYPE_VIDEO_OUTPUT_MPLANE`` and
       ``V4L2_BUF_TYPE_VIDEO_OVERLAY``. See :c:type:`v4l2_buf_type` and the note below.
   * - struct :ref:`v4l2_rect` <v4l2-rect-crop>
     - ``bounds``
     - Defines the window within capturing or output is possible, this
       may exclude for example the horizontal and vertical blanking
       areas. The cropping rectangle cannot exceed these limits. Width
       and height are defined in pixels, the driver writer is free to
       choose origin and units of the coordinate system in the analog
       domain.
   * - struct :ref:`v4l2_rect` <v4l2-rect-crop>
     - ``defrect``
     - Default cropping rectangle, it shall cover the "whole picture".
       Assuming pixel aspect 1/1 this could be for example a 640 Å 480
       rectangle for NTSC, a 768 Å 576 rectangle for PAL and SECAM
       centered over the active picture area. The same co-ordinate system
       as for ``bounds`` is used.
   * - struct :c:type:`v4l2_fract`
     - ``pixelaspect``
     - This is the pixel aspect (y / x) when no scaling is applied, the
       ratio of the actual sampling frequency and the frequency required
       to get square pixels.

       When cropping coordinates refer to square pixels, the driver sets
       ``pixelaspect`` to 1/1. Other common values are 54/59 for PAL and
       SECAM, 11/10 for NTSC sampled according to [:ref:`itu601`].
```

## Note

Unfortunately in the case of multiplanar buffer types (V4L2\_BUF\_TYPE\_VIDEO\_CAPTURE\_MPLANE and V4L2\_BUF\_TYPE\_VIDEO\_OUTPUT\_MPLANE) this API was messed up with regards to how the :c:type:`v4l2\_crocap` type field should be filled in. Some drivers only accepted the \_MPLANE buffer type while other drivers only accepted a non-multiplanar buffer type (i.e. without the \_MPLANE at the end).

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Starting with kernel 4.13 both variations are allowed.

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```
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   * - s32
     - ``left``
     - Horizontal offset of the top, left corner of the rectangle, in
       pixels.
   * - s32
     - ``top``
     - Vertical offset of the top, left corner of the rectangle, in
       pixels.
   * - u32
     - ``width``
     - Width of the rectangle, in pixels.
   * - u32
     - ``height``
     - Height of the rectangle, in pixels.
```

## Return Value

On success 0 is returned, on error -1 and the `errno` variable is set appropriately. The generic error codes are described at the [ref`Generic Error Codes <gen-errors>`](#) chapter.

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### EINVAL

The struct `:c:type:`v4l2_cropcap`` type is invalid.

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### ENODATA

Cropping is not supported for this input or output.