

# ioctl FE\_READ\_STATUS

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.. c:namespace:: DTV.fe
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## Name

FE\_READ\_STATUS - Returns status information about the front-end. This call only requires - read-only access to the device

## Synopsis

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.. c:macro:: FE_READ_STATUS
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int ioctl(int fd, FE_READ_STATUS, unsigned int *status)
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## Arguments

fd

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

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status

pointer to a bitmask integer filled with the values defined by enum `c:type:'fe_status'`.

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## Description

All Digital TV frontend devices support the `FE_READ_STATUS` ioctl. It is used to check about the locking status of the frontend after being tuned. The ioctl takes a pointer to an integer where the status will be written.

### Note

The size of status is actually `sizeof(enum fe_status)`, with varies according with the architecture. This needs to be fixed in the future.

## int fe\_status

The `fe_status` parameter is used to indicate the current state and/or state changes of the frontend hardware. It is produced using the enum `c:type:'fe_status'` values on a bitmask

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## Return Value

On success 0 is returned.

On error -1 is returned, and the `errno` variable is set appropriately.

Generic error codes are described at the [ref:Generic Error Codes <gen-errors>](#) chapter.

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