

# **Vulkan API Reference Pages**

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## 3 Vulkan Commands

### 3.1 vkAllocateCommandBuffers(3)

#### 3.1.1 Name

vkAllocateCommandBuffers - Allocate command buffers from an existing command pool

#### 3.1.2 C Specification

To allocate command buffers, call:

```
VkResult vkAllocateCommandBuffers(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo* pAllocateInfo,  
    VkCommandBuffer* pCommandBuffers);
```

#### 3.1.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the command pool.
  - *pAllocateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo` structure describing parameters of the allocation.
  - *pCommandBuffers* is a pointer to an array of `VkCommandBuffer` handles in which the resulting command buffer objects are returned. The array must be at least the length specified by the *commandBufferCount* member of *pAllocateInfo*. Each allocated command buffer begins in the initial state.
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### 3.1.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pAllocateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo` structure
- *pCommandBuffers* must be a pointer to an array of *pAllocateInfo*→`commandBufferCount` `VkCommandBuffer` handles

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *pAllocateInfo*→`commandPool` must be externally synchronized

#### Return Codes

##### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

##### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`

### 3.1.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo`, `VkDevice`

### 3.1.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkAllocateCommandBuffers>

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## 3.2 vkAllocateDescriptorSets(3)

### 3.2.1 Name

vkAllocateDescriptorSets - Allocate one or more descriptor sets

### 3.2.2 C Specification

To allocate descriptor sets from a descriptor pool, call:

```
VkResult vkAllocateDescriptorSets(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo* pAllocateInfo,  
    VkDescriptorSet* pDescriptorSets);
```

### 3.2.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the descriptor pool.
- *pAllocateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo` structure describing parameters of the allocation.
- *pDescriptorSets* is a pointer to an array of `VkDescriptorSet` handles in which the resulting descriptor set objects are returned. The array must be at least the length specified by the *descriptorSetCount* member of *pAllocateInfo*.

### 3.2.4 Description

The allocated descriptor sets are returned in *pDescriptorSets*.

When a descriptor set is allocated, the initial state is largely uninitialized and all descriptors are undefined. However, the descriptor set can be bound in a command buffer without causing errors or exceptions. All entries that are statically used by a pipeline in a drawing or dispatching command must have been populated before the descriptor set is bound for use by that command. Entries that are not statically used by a pipeline can have uninitialized descriptors or descriptors of resources that have been destroyed, and executing a draw or dispatch with such a descriptor set bound does not cause undefined behavior. This means applications need not populate unused entries with dummy descriptors.

If an allocation fails due to fragmentation, an indeterminate error is returned with an unspecified error code. Any returned error other than `VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL` does not imply its usual meaning: applications should assume that the allocation failed due to fragmentation, and create a new descriptor pool.

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#### Note



Applications should check for a negative return value when allocating new descriptor sets, assume that any error effectively means `VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL`, and try to create a new descriptor pool. If `VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL` is the actual return value, it adds certainty to that decision.

The reason for this is that `VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL` was only added in a later revision of the 1.0 specification, and so drivers may return other errors if they were written against earlier revisions. To ensure full compatibility with earlier patch revisions, these other errors are allowed.

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### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pAllocateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo` structure
- *pDescriptorSets* must be a pointer to an array of *pAllocateInfo*→`descriptorSetCount` `VkDescriptorSet` handles

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *pAllocateInfo*→`descriptorPool` must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL`

### 3.2.5 See Also

`VkDescriptorSet`, `VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo`, `VkDevice`

### 3.2.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkAllocateDescriptorSets>

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### 3.3 vkAllocateMemory(3)

#### 3.3.1 Name

vkAllocateMemory - Allocate GPU memory

#### 3.3.2 C Specification

To allocate memory objects, call:

```
VkResult vkAllocateMemory(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkMemoryAllocateInfo* pAllocateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkDeviceMemory* pMemory);
```

#### 3.3.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory.
- *pAllocateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkMemoryAllocateInfo` structure describing parameters of the allocation. A successful returned allocation must use the requested parameters — no substitution is permitted by the implementation.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pMemory* is a pointer to a `VkDeviceMemory` handle in which information about the allocated memory is returned.

#### 3.3.4 Description

Allocations returned by **vkAllocateMemory** are guaranteed to meet any alignment requirement by the implementation. For example, if an implementation requires 128 byte alignment for images and 64 byte alignment for buffers, the device memory returned through this mechanism would be 128-byte aligned. This ensures that applications can correctly suballocate objects of different types (with potentially different alignment requirements) in the same memory object.

When memory is allocated, its contents are undefined.

There is an implementation-dependent maximum number of memory allocations which can be simultaneously created on a device. This is specified by the `maxMemoryAllocationCount` member of the `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits` structure. If *maxMemoryAllocationCount* is exceeded, **vkAllocateMemory** will return `VK_ERROR_TOO_MANY_OBJECTS`.



#### Note

Some platforms may have a limit on the maximum size of a single allocation. For example, certain systems may fail to create allocations with a size greater than or equal to 4GB. Such a limit is implementation-dependent, and if such a failure occurs then the error `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY` should be returned.

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### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pAllocateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkMemoryAllocateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pMemory* must be a pointer to a `VkDeviceMemory` handle
- The number of currently valid memory objects, allocated from *device*, must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxMemoryAllocationCount`

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_TOO_MANY_OBJECTS`

### 3.3.5 See Also

`VkAllocationCallbacks`, `VkDevice`, `VkDeviceMemory`, `VkMemoryAllocateInfo`

### 3.3.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkAllocateMemory>

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## 3.4 vkBeginCommandBuffer(3)

### 3.4.1 Name

vkBeginCommandBuffer - Start recording a command buffer

### 3.4.2 C Specification

To begin recording a command buffer, call:

```
VkResult vkBeginCommandBuffer(  
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,  
    const VkCommandBufferBeginInfo* pBeginInfo);
```

### 3.4.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the handle of the command buffer which is to be put in the recording state.
- *pBeginInfo* is an instance of the `VkCommandBufferBeginInfo` structure, which defines additional information about how the command buffer begins recording.

### 3.4.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *pBeginInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkCommandBufferBeginInfo` structure
- *commandBuffer* must not be in the recording state
- *commandBuffer* must not currently be pending execution
- If *commandBuffer* was allocated from a `VkCommandPool` which did not have the `VK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_RESET_COMMAND_BUFFER_BIT` flag set, *commandBuffer* must be in the initial state
- If *commandBuffer* is a secondary command buffer, the *pInheritanceInfo* member of *pBeginInfo* must be a valid `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo` structure
- If *commandBuffer* is a secondary command buffer and either the *occlusionQueryEnable* member of the *pInheritanceInfo* member of *pBeginInfo* is `VK_FALSE`, or the precise occlusion queries feature is not enabled, the *queryFlags* member of the *pInheritanceInfo* member *pBeginInfo* must not contain `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

#### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.4.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkCommandBufferBeginInfo

### 3.4.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkBeginCommandBuffer>

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## 3.5 vkBindBufferMemory(3)

### 3.5.1 Name

vkBindBufferMemory - Bind device memory to a buffer object

### 3.5.2 C Specification

To attach memory to a buffer object, call:

```
VkResult vkBindBufferMemory(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkBuffer          buffer,  
    VkDeviceMemory    memory,  
    VkDeviceSize      memoryOffset);
```

### 3.5.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the buffer and memory.
- *buffer* is the buffer.
- *memory* is a `VkDeviceMemory` object describing the device memory to attach.
- *memoryOffset* is the start offset of the region of *memory* which is to be bound to the buffer. The number of bytes returned in the `VkMemoryRequirements::size` member in *memory*, starting from *memoryOffset* bytes, will be bound to the specified buffer.

### 3.5.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *buffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *memory* must be a valid `VkDeviceMemory` handle
- *buffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *memory* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *buffer* must not already be backed by a memory object
- *buffer* must not have been created with any sparse memory binding flags
- *memoryOffset* must be less than the size of *memory*

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- If *buffer* was created with the `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` or `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT`, *memoryOffset* must be a multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minTexelBufferOffsetAlignment`
  - If *buffer* was created with the `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_BIT`, *memoryOffset* must be a multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minUniformBufferOffsetAlignment`
  - If *buffer* was created with the `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_BUFFER_BIT`, *memoryOffset* must be a multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minStorageBufferOffsetAlignment`
  - *memory* must have been allocated using one of the memory types allowed in the *memoryTypeBits* member of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure returned from a call to **`vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements`** with *buffer*
  - *memoryOffset* must be an integer multiple of the *alignment* member of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure returned from a call to **`vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements`** with *buffer*
  - The *size* member of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure returned from a call to **`vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements`** with *buffer* must be less than or equal to the size of *memory* minus *memoryOffset*
  - If *buffer* was created with `VkDedicatedAllocationBufferCreateInfoNV::dedicatedAllocation` equal to `VK_TRUE`, *memory* must have been created with `VkDedicatedAllocationMemoryAllocateInfoNV::buffer` equal to *buffer* and *memoryOffset* must be zero
  - If *buffer* was not created with `VkDedicatedAllocationBufferCreateInfoNV::dedicatedAllocation` equal to `VK_TRUE`, *memory* must not have been allocated dedicated for a specific buffer or image

## Host Synchronization

- Host access to *buffer* must be externally synchronized

## Return Codes

### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
  - `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
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### 3.5.5 See Also

VkBuffer, VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize

### 3.5.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkBindBufferMemory>

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## 3.6 vkBindImageMemory(3)

### 3.6.1 Name

vkBindImageMemory - Bind device memory to an image object

### 3.6.2 C Specification

To attach memory to an image object, call:

```
VkResult vkBindImageMemory(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkImage           image,  
    VkDeviceMemory    memory,  
    VkDeviceSize      memoryOffset);
```

### 3.6.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the image and memory.
- *image* is the image.
- *memory* is the a `VkDeviceMemory` object describing the device memory to attach.
- *memoryOffset* is the start offset of the region of *memory* which is to be bound to the image. The number of bytes returned in the `VkMemoryRequirements::size` member in *memory*, starting from *memoryOffset* bytes, will be bound to the specified image.

### 3.6.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
  - *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *memory* must be a valid `VkDeviceMemory` handle
  - *image* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
  - *memory* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
  - *image* must not already be backed by a memory object
  - *image* must not have been created with any sparse memory binding flags
  - *memoryOffset* must be less than the size of *memory*
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- *memory* must have been allocated using one of the memory types allowed in the *memoryTypeBits* member of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure returned from a call to **`vkGetImageMemoryRequirements`** with *image*
- *memoryOffset* must be an integer multiple of the *alignment* member of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure returned from a call to **`vkGetImageMemoryRequirements`** with *image*
- The *size* member of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure returned from a call to **`vkGetImageMemoryRequirements`** with *image* must be less than or equal to the size of *memory* minus *memoryOffset*
- If *image* was created with `VkDedicatedAllocationImageCreateInfoNV::dedicatedAllocation` equal to `VK_TRUE`, *memory* must have been created with `VkDedicatedAllocationMemoryAllocateInfoNV::image` equal to *image* and *memoryOffset* must be zero
- If *image* was not created with `VkDedicatedAllocationImageCreateInfoNV::dedicatedAllocation` equal to `VK_TRUE`, *memory* must not have been allocated dedicated for a specific buffer or image

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *image* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`

### 3.6.5 See Also

`VkDevice`, `VkDeviceMemory`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkImage`

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### 3.6.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkBindImageMemory>

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## 3.7 vkCmdBeginQuery(3)

### 3.7.1 Name

vkCmdBeginQuery - Begin a query

### 3.7.2 C Specification

To begin a query, call:

```
void vkCmdBeginQuery(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkQueryPool              queryPool,
    uint32_t                 query,
    VkQueryControlFlags      flags);
```

### 3.7.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which this command will be recorded.
- *queryPool* is the query pool that will manage the results of the query.
- *query* is the query index within the query pool that will contain the results.
- *flags* is a bitmask indicating constraints on the types of queries that can be performed. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkQueryControlFlagBits {
    VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkQueryControlFlagBits;
```

### 3.7.4 Description

If the *queryType* of the pool is `VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION` and *flags* contains `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT`, an implementation must return a result that matches the actual number of samples passed. This is described in more detail in Occlusion Queries.

After beginning a query, that query is considered *active* within the command buffer it was called in until that same query is ended. Queries active in a primary command buffer when secondary command buffers are executed are considered active for those secondary command buffers.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *queryPool* must be a valid `VkQueryPool` handle
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkQueryControlFlagBits` values

- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *queryPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- The query identified by *queryPool* and *query* must currently not be active
- The query identified by *queryPool* and *query* must be unavailable
- If the precise occlusion queries feature is not enabled, or the *queryType* used to create *queryPool* was not `VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION`, *flags* must not contain `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT`
- *queryPool* must have been created with a *queryType* that differs from that of any other queries that have been made active, and are currently still active within *commandBuffer*
- *query* must be less than the number of queries in *queryPool*
- If the *queryType* used to create *queryPool* was `VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION`, the `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- If the *queryType* used to create *queryPool* was `VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS` and any of the *pipelineStatistics* indicate graphics operations, the `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- If the *queryType* used to create *queryPool* was `VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS` and any of the *pipelineStatistics* indicate compute operations, the `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support compute operations

## Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

## Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |



### 3.7.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkQueryControlFlags, VkQueryPool

### 3.7.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBeginQuery>

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## 3.8 vkCmdBeginRenderPass(3)

### 3.8.1 Name

vkCmdBeginRenderPass - Begin a new render pass

### 3.8.2 C Specification

To begin a render pass instance, call:

```
void vkCmdBeginRenderPass (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    const VkRenderPassBeginInfo* pRenderPassBegin,
    VkSubpassContents        contents);
```

### 3.8.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer in which to record the command.
- *pRenderPassBegin* is a pointer to a `VkRenderPassBeginInfo` structure (defined below) which indicates the render pass to begin an instance of, and the framebuffer the instance uses.
- *contents* specifies how the commands in the first subpass will be provided, and is one of the values:

```
typedef enum VkSubpassContents {
    VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_INLINE = 0,
    VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS = 1,
} VkSubpassContents;
```

If *contents* is `VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_INLINE`, the contents of the subpass will be recorded inline in the primary command buffer, and secondary command buffers must not be executed within the subpass. If *contents* is `VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS`, the contents are recorded in secondary command buffers that will be called from the primary command buffer, and **vkCmdExecuteCommands** is the only valid command on the command buffer until **vkCmdNextSubpass** or **vkCmdEndRenderPass**.

### 3.8.4 Description

After beginning a render pass instance, the command buffer is ready to record the commands for the first subpass of that render pass.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *pRenderPassBegin* must be a pointer to a valid `VkRenderPassBeginInfo` structure
  - *contents* must be a valid `VkSubpassContents` value
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
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- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- `commandBuffer` must be a primary `VkCommandBuffer`
- If any of the `initialLayout` or `finalLayout` member of the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures or the `layout` member of the `VkAttachmentReference` structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the `renderPass` member of `pRenderPassBegin` is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OPTIMAL` then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the `framebuffer` member of `pRenderPassBegin` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If any of the `initialLayout` or `finalLayout` member of the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures or the `layout` member of the `VkAttachmentReference` structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the `renderPass` member of `pRenderPassBegin` is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL` then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the `framebuffer` member of `pRenderPassBegin` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If any of the `initialLayout` or `finalLayout` member of the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures or the `layout` member of the `VkAttachmentReference` structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the `renderPass` member of `pRenderPassBegin` is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_SHADER_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL` then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the `framebuffer` member of `pRenderPassBegin` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If any of the `initialLayout` or `finalLayout` member of the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures or the `layout` member of the `VkAttachmentReference` structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the `renderPass` member of `pRenderPassBegin` is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL` then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the `framebuffer` member of `pRenderPassBegin` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` set
- If any of the `initialLayout` or `finalLayout` member of the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures or the `layout` member of the `VkAttachmentReference` structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the `renderPass` member of `pRenderPassBegin` is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the `framebuffer` member of `pRenderPassBegin` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` set
- If any of the `initialLayout` members of the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the `renderPass` member of `pRenderPassBegin` is not `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED`, then each such `initialLayout` must be equal to the current layout of the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the `framebuffer` member of `pRenderPassBegin`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |

### 3.8.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkRenderPassBeginInfo, VkSubpassContents

### 3.8.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBeginRenderPass>

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## 3.9 vkCmdBindDescriptorSets(3)

### 3.9.1 Name

vkCmdBindDescriptorSets - Binds descriptor sets to a command buffer

### 3.9.2 C Specification

To bind one or more descriptor sets to a command buffer, call:

```
void vkCmdBindDescriptorSets(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkPipelineBindPoint      pipelineBindPoint,
    VkPipelineLayout         layout,
    uint32_t                 firstSet,
    uint32_t                 descriptorSetCount,
    const VkDescriptorSet*   pDescriptorSets,
    uint32_t                 dynamicOffsetCount,
    const uint32_t*          pDynamicOffsets);
```

### 3.9.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer that the descriptor sets will be bound to.
- *pipelineBindPoint* is a `VkPipelineBindPoint` indicating whether the descriptors will be used by graphics pipelines or compute pipelines. There is a separate set of bind points for each of graphics and compute, so binding one does not disturb the other.
- *layout* is a `VkPipelineLayout` object used to program the bindings.
- *firstSet* is the set number of the first descriptor set to be bound.
- *descriptorSetCount* is the number of elements in the *pDescriptorSets* array.
- *pDescriptorSets* is an array of handles to `VkDescriptorSet` objects describing the descriptor sets to write to.
- *dynamicOffsetCount* is the number of dynamic offsets in the *pDynamicOffsets* array.
- *pDynamicOffsets* is a pointer to an array of `uint32_t` values specifying dynamic offsets.

### 3.9.4 Description

**vkCmdBindDescriptorSets** causes the sets numbered [*firstSet*.. *firstSet*+*descriptorSetCount*-1] to use the bindings stored in *pDescriptorSets*[0..*descriptorSetCount*-1] for subsequent rendering commands (either compute or graphics, according to the *pipelineBindPoint*). Any bindings that were previously applied via these sets are no longer valid.

Once bound, a descriptor set affects rendering of subsequent graphics or compute commands in the command buffer until a different set is bound to the same set number, or else until the set is disturbed as described in Pipeline Layout Compatibility.

A compatible descriptor set must be bound for all set numbers that any shaders in a pipeline access, at the time that a draw or dispatch command is recorded to execute using that pipeline. However, if none of the shaders in a pipeline

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statically use any bindings with a particular set number, then no descriptor set need be bound for that set number, even if the pipeline layout includes a non-trivial descriptor set layout for that set number.

If any of the sets being bound include dynamic uniform or storage buffers, then *pDynamicOffsets* includes one element for each array element in each dynamic descriptor type binding in each set. Values are taken from *pDynamicOffsets* in an order such that all entries for set N come before set N+1; within a set, entries are ordered by the binding numbers in the descriptor set layouts; and within a binding array, elements are in order.

*dynamicOffsetCount* must equal the total number of dynamic descriptors in the sets being bound.

The effective offset used for dynamic uniform and storage buffer bindings is the sum of the relative offset taken from *pDynamicOffsets*, and the base address of the buffer plus base offset in the descriptor set. The length of the dynamic uniform and storage buffer bindings is the buffer range as specified in the descriptor set.

Each of the *pDescriptorSets* must be compatible with the pipeline layout specified by *layout*. The layout used to program the bindings must also be compatible with the pipeline used in subsequent graphics or compute commands, as defined in the Pipeline Layout Compatibility section.

The descriptor set contents bound by a call to **vkCmdBindDescriptorSets** may be consumed during host execution of the command, or during shader execution of the resulting draws, or any time in between. Thus, the contents must not be altered (overwritten by an update command, or freed) between when the command is recorded and when the command completes executing on the queue. The contents of *pDynamicOffsets* are consumed immediately during execution of **vkCmdBindDescriptorSets**. Once all pending uses have completed, it is legal to update and reuse a descriptor set.

### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *pipelineBindPoint* must be a valid `VkPipelineBindPoint` value
- *layout* must be a valid `VkPipelineLayout` handle
- *pDescriptorSets* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorSetCount* valid `VkDescriptorSet` handles
- If *dynamicOffsetCount* is not 0, *pDynamicOffsets* must be a pointer to an array of *dynamicOffsetCount* `uint32_t` values
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- *descriptorSetCount* must be greater than 0
- Each of *commandBuffer*, *layout*, and the elements of *pDescriptorSets* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- Any given element of *pDescriptorSets* must have been allocated with a `VkDescriptorSetLayout` that matches (is the same as, or defined identically to) the `VkDescriptorSetLayout` at set *n* in *layout*, where *n* is the sum of *firstSet* and the index into *pDescriptorSets*
- *dynamicOffsetCount* must be equal to the total number of dynamic descriptors in *pDescriptorSets*
- The sum of *firstSet* and *descriptorSetCount* must be less than or equal to `VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo::setLayoutCount` provided when *layout* was created
- *pipelineBindPoint* must be supported by the *commandBuffer*'s parent `VkCommandPool`'s queue family

- Any given element of *pDynamicOffsets* must satisfy the required alignment for the corresponding descriptor binding's descriptor type

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

### 3.9.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkDescriptorSet, VkPipelineBindPoint, VkPipelineLayout

### 3.9.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBindDescriptorSets>

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## 3.10 vkCmdBindIndexBuffer(3)

### 3.10.1 Name

vkCmdBindIndexBuffer - Bind an index buffer to a command buffer

### 3.10.2 C Specification

To bind an index buffer to a command buffer, call:

```
void vkCmdBindIndexBuffer(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 buffer,
    VkDeviceSize             offset,
    VkIndexType              indexType);
```

### 3.10.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *buffer* is the buffer being bound.
- *offset* is the starting offset in bytes within *buffer* used in index buffer address calculations.
- *indexType* selects whether indices are treated as 16 bits or 32 bits. Possible values include:

```
typedef enum VkIndexType {
    VK_INDEX_TYPE_UINT16 = 0,
    VK_INDEX_TYPE_UINT32 = 1,
} VkIndexType;
```

### 3.10.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *buffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
  - *indexType* must be a valid `VkIndexType` value
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - Both of *buffer*, and *commandBuffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
  - *offset* must be less than the size of *buffer*
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- The sum of *offset* and the address of the range of `VkDeviceMemory` object that is backing *buffer*, must be a multiple of the type indicated by *indexType*
- *buffer* must have been created with the `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDEX_BUFFER_BIT` flag

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

### 3.10.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkIndexType`

### 3.10.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBindIndexBuffer>

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## 3.11 vkCmdBindPipeline(3)

### 3.11.1 Name

vkCmdBindPipeline - Bind a pipeline object to a command buffer

### 3.11.2 C Specification

Once a pipeline has been created, it can be bound to the command buffer using the command:

```
void vkCmdBindPipeline(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkPipelineBindPoint      pipelineBindPoint,
    VkPipeline                pipeline);
```

### 3.11.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer that the pipeline will be bound to.
- *pipelineBindPoint* specifies the bind point, and must have one of the values

```
typedef enum VkPipelineBindPoint {
    VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS = 0,
    VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE = 1,
} VkPipelineBindPoint;
```

specifying whether *pipeline* will be bound as a compute (VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_COMPUTE) or graphics (VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS) pipeline. There are separate bind points for each of graphics and compute, so binding one does not disturb the other.

- *pipeline* is the pipeline to be bound.

### 3.11.4 Description

Once bound, a pipeline binding affects subsequent graphics or compute commands in the command buffer until a different pipeline is bound to the bind point. The pipeline bound to VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_COMPUTE controls the behavior of vkCmdDispatch and vkCmdDispatchIndirect. The pipeline bound to VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS controls the behavior of vkCmdDraw, vkCmdDrawIndexed, vkCmdDrawIndirect, and vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect. No other commands are affected by the pipeline state.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle
  - *pipelineBindPoint* must be a valid VkPipelineBindPoint value
  - *pipeline* must be a valid VkPipeline handle
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
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- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- Both of `commandBuffer`, and `pipeline` must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- If `pipelineBindPoint` is `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, the `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support compute operations
- If `pipelineBindPoint` is `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, the `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support graphics operations
- If `pipelineBindPoint` is `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, `pipeline` must be a compute pipeline
- If `pipelineBindPoint` is `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, `pipeline` must be a graphics pipeline
- If the variable multisample rate feature is not supported, `pipeline` is a graphics pipeline, the current subpass has no attachments, and this is not the first call to this function with a graphics pipeline after transitioning to the current subpass, then the sample count specified by this pipeline must match that set in the previous pipeline

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

### 3.11.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkPipeline`, `VkPipelineBindPoint`

### 3.11.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBindPipeline>

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## 3.12 vkCmdBindVertexBuffers(3)

### 3.12.1 Name

vkCmdBindVertexBuffers - Bind vertex buffers to a command buffer

### 3.12.2 C Specification

To bind vertex buffers to a command buffer for use in subsequent draw commands, call:

```
void vkCmdBindVertexBuffers (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 firstBinding,
    uint32_t                 bindingCount,
    const VkBuffer*          pBuffers,
    const VkDeviceSize*      pOffsets);
```

### 3.12.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *firstBinding* is the index of the first vertex input binding whose state is updated by the command.
- *bindingCount* is the number of vertex input bindings whose state is updated by the command.
- *pBuffers* is a pointer to an array of buffer handles.
- *pOffsets* is a pointer to an array of buffer offsets.

### 3.12.4 Description

The values taken from elements *i* of *pBuffers* and *pOffsets* replace the current state for the vertex input binding *firstBinding + i*, for *i* in  $[0, bindingCount)$ . The vertex input binding is updated to start at the offset indicated by *pOffsets*[*i*] from the start of the buffer *pBuffers*[*i*]. All vertex input attributes that use each of these bindings will use these updated addresses in their address calculations for subsequent draw commands.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *pBuffers* must be a pointer to an array of *bindingCount* valid `VkBuffer` handles
  - *pOffsets* must be a pointer to an array of *bindingCount* `VkDeviceSize` values
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - *bindingCount* must be greater than 0
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- Both of *commandBuffer*, and the elements of *pBuffers* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same *VkDevice*
- *firstBinding* must be less than *VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindings*
- The sum of *firstBinding* and *bindingCount* must be less than or equal to *VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindings*
- All elements of *pOffsets* must be less than the size of the corresponding element in *pBuffers*
- All elements of *pBuffers* must have been created with the *VK\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_VERTEX\_BUFFER\_BIT* flag

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.12.5 See Also

*VkBuffer*, *VkCommandBuffer*, *VkDeviceSize*

#### 3.12.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBindVertexBuffers>

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### 3.13 vkCmdBlitImage(3)

#### 3.13.1 Name

vkCmdBlitImage - Copy regions of an image, potentially performing format conversion,

#### 3.13.2 C Specification

To copy regions of a source image into a destination image, potentially performing format conversion, arbitrary scaling, and filtering, call:

```
void vkCmdBlitImage (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkImage                  srcImage,
    VkImageLayout             srcImageLayout,
    VkImage                  dstImage,
    VkImageLayout             dstImageLayout,
    uint32_t                 regionCount,
    const VkImageBlit*       pRegions,
    VkFilter                  filter);
```

#### 3.13.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *srcImage* is the source image.
- *srcImageLayout* is the layout of the source image subresources for the blit.
- *dstImage* is the destination image.
- *dstImageLayout* is the layout of the destination image subresources for the blit.
- *regionCount* is the number of regions to blit.
- *pRegions* is a pointer to an array of `VkImageBlit` structures specifying the regions to blit.
- *filter* is a `VkFilter` specifying the filter to apply if the blits require scaling.

#### 3.13.4 Description

**vkCmdBlitImage** must not be used for multisampled source or destination images. Use `vkCmdResolveImage` for this purpose.

As the sizes of the source and destination extents can differ in any dimension, texels in the source extent are scaled and filtered to the destination extent. Scaling occurs via the following operations:

- For each destination texel, the integer coordinate of that texel is converted to an unnormalized texture coordinate, using the effective inverse of the equations described in unnormalized to integer conversion:

$$u_{base} = i + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$v_{base} = j + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$w_{base} = k + \frac{1}{2}$$

- These base coordinates are then offset by the first destination offset:

$$u_{offset} = u_{base} - x_{dst0}$$

$$v_{offset} = v_{base} - y_{dst0}$$

$$w_{offset} = w_{base} - z_{dst0}$$

$$a_{offset} = a - baseArrayCount_{dst}$$

- The scale is determined from the source and destination regions, and applied to the offset coordinates:

$$scale_u = \frac{x_{src1} - x_{src0}}{x_{dst1} - x_{dst0}}$$

$$scale_v = \frac{y_{src1} - y_{src0}}{y_{dst1} - y_{dst0}}$$

$$scale_w = \frac{z_{src1} - z_{src0}}{z_{dst1} - z_{dst0}}$$

$$u_{scaled} = u_{offset} * scale_u$$

$$v_{scaled} = v_{offset} * scale_v$$

$$w_{scaled} = w_{offset} * scale_w$$

- Finally the source offset is added to the scaled coordinates, to determine the final unnormalized coordinates used to sample from *srcImage*:

$$u = u_{scaled} + x_{src0}$$

$$v = v_{scaled} + y_{src0}$$

$$w = w_{scaled} + z_{src0}$$

$$q = mipLevel$$

$$a = a_{offset} + baseArrayCount_{src}$$

These coordinates are used to sample from the source image, as described in Image Operations chapter, with the filter mode equal to that of *filter*, a mipmap mode of `VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_NEAREST` and an address mode of `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_EDGE`. Implementations must clamp at the edge of the source image, and may additionally clamp to the edge of the source region.



#### Note

Due to allowable rounding errors in the generation of the source texture coordinates, it is not always possible to guarantee exactly which source texels will be sampled for a given blit. As rounding errors are implementation dependent, the exact results of a blitting operation are also implementation dependent.

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Blits are done layer by layer starting with the *baseArrayLayer* member of *srcSubresource* for the source and *dstSubresource* for the destination. *layerCount* layers are blitted to the destination image.

3D textures are blitted slice by slice. Slices in the source region bounded by *srcOffsets*[0].z and *srcOffsets*[1].z are copied to slices in the destination region bounded by *dstOffsets*[0].z and *dstOffsets*[1].z. For each destination slice, a source z coordinate is linearly interpolated between *srcOffsets*[0].z and *srcOffsets*[1].z. If the *filter* parameter is *VK\_FILTER\_LINEAR* then the value sampled from the source image is taken by doing linear filtering using the interpolated z coordinate. If *filter* parameter is *VK\_FILTER\_NEAREST* then value sampled from the source image is taken from the single nearest slice (with undefined rounding mode).

The following filtering and conversion rules apply:

- Integer formats can only be converted to other integer formats with the same signedness.
- No format conversion is supported between depth/stencil images - the formats must match.
- Format conversions on unorm, snorm, unscaled and packed float formats of the copied aspect of the image are performed by first converting the pixels to float values.
- In case of sRGB source format, nonlinear RGB values are converted to linear representation prior to filtering.
- After filtering, the float values are first clamped and then cast to the destination image format. In case of sRGB destination format, linear RGB values are converted to nonlinear representation before writing the pixel to the image.

Signed and unsigned integers are converted by first clamping to the representable range of the destination format, then casting the value.

### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid *VkCommandBuffer* handle
  - *srcImage* must be a valid *VkImage* handle
  - *srcImageLayout* must be a valid *VkImageLayout* value
  - *dstImage* must be a valid *VkImage* handle
  - *dstImageLayout* must be a valid *VkImageLayout* value
  - *pRegions* must be a pointer to an array of *regionCount* valid *VkImageBlit* structures
  - *filter* must be a valid *VkFilter* value
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The *VkCommandPool* that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
  - *regionCount* must be greater than 0
  - Each of *commandBuffer*, *dstImage*, and *srcImage* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same *VkDevice*
  - The source region specified by a given element of *pRegions* must be a region that is contained within *srcImage*
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- The destination region specified by a given element of *pRegions* must be a region that is contained within *dstImage*
- The union of all destination regions, specified by the elements of *pRegions*, must not overlap in memory with any texel that may be sampled during the blit operation
- *srcImage* must use a format that supports `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_SRC_BIT`, which is indicated by `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for linear tiled images) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for optimally tiled images) - as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- *srcImage* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` usage flag
- *srcImageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresources of *srcImage* specified in *pRegions* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- *srcImageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- *dstImage* must use a format that supports `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT`, which is indicated by `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for linear tiled images) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for optimally tiled images) - as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- *dstImage* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
- *dstImageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresources of *dstImage* specified in *pRegions* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- *dstImageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- The sample count of *srcImage* and *dstImage* must both be equal to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- If either of *srcImage* or *dstImage* was created with a signed integer `VkFormat`, the other must also have been created with a signed integer `VkFormat`
- If either of *srcImage* or *dstImage* was created with an unsigned integer `VkFormat`, the other must also have been created with an unsigned integer `VkFormat`
- If either of *srcImage* or *dstImage* was created with a depth/stencil format, the other must have exactly the same format
- If *srcImage* was created with a depth/stencil format, *filter* must be `VK_FILTER_NEAREST`
- *srcImage* must have been created with a *samples* value of `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- *dstImage* must have been created with a *samples* value of `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- If *filter* is `VK_FILTER_LINEAR`, *srcImage* must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**

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- If *filter* is VK\_FILTER\_CUBIC\_IMG, *srcImage* must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_FILTER\_CUBIC\_BIT\_IMG flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
  - If *filter* is VK\_FILTER\_CUBIC\_IMG, *srcImage* must have a `VkImageType` of VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |

### 3.13.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkFilter, VkImage, VkImageBlit, VkImageLayout

### 3.13.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdBlitImage>

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## 3.14 vkCmdClearAttachments(3)

### 3.14.1 Name

vkCmdClearAttachments - Clear regions within currently bound framebuffer attachments

### 3.14.2 C Specification

To clear one or more regions of color and depth/stencil attachments inside a render pass instance, call:

```
void vkCmdClearAttachments (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 attachmentCount,
    const VkClearAttachment* pAttachments,
    uint32_t                 rectCount,
    const VkClearRect*       pRects);
```

### 3.14.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *attachmentCount* is the number of entries in the *pAttachments* array.
- *pAttachments* is a pointer to an array of `VkClearAttachment` structures defining the attachments to clear and the clear values to use.
- *rectCount* is the number of entries in the *pRects* array.
- *pRects* points to an array of `VkClearRect` structures defining regions within each selected attachment to clear.

### 3.14.4 Description

**vkCmdClearAttachments** can clear multiple regions of each attachment used in the current subpass of a render pass instance. This command must be called only inside a render pass instance, and implicitly selects the images to clear based on the current framebuffer attachments and the command parameters.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *pAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *attachmentCount* valid `VkClearAttachment` structures
- *pRects* must be a pointer to an array of *rectCount* `VkClearRect` structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance

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- *attachmentCount* must be greater than 0
  - *rectCount* must be greater than 0
  - If the *aspectMask* member of any given element of *pAttachments* contains `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`, the *colorAttachment* member of those elements must refer to a valid color attachment in the current subpass
  - The rectangular region specified by a given element of *pRects* must be contained within the render area of the current render pass instance
  - The layers specified by a given element of *pRects* must be contained within every attachment that *pAttachments* refers to

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

#### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.14.5 See Also

`VkClearAttachment`, `VkClearRect`, `VkCommandBuffer`

#### 3.14.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdClearAttachments>

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### 3.15 vkCmdClearColorImage(3)

#### 3.15.1 Name

vkCmdClearColorImage - Clear regions of a color image

#### 3.15.2 C Specification

To clear one or more subranges of a color image, call:

```
void vkCmdClearColorImage (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkImage                  image,
    VkImageLayout            imageLayout,
    const VkClearColorValue* pColor,
    uint32_t                 rangeCount,
    const VkImageSubresourceRange* pRanges);
```

#### 3.15.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *image* is the image to be cleared.
- *imageLayout* specifies the current layout of the image subresource ranges to be cleared, and must be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL`.
- *pColor* is a pointer to a `VkClearColorValue` structure that contains the values the image subresource ranges will be cleared to (see [?] below).
- *rangeCount* is the number of image subresource range structures in *pRanges*.
- *pRanges* points to an array of `VkImageSubresourceRange` structures that describe a range of mipmap levels, array layers, and aspects to be cleared, as described in Image Views. The *aspectMask* of all image subresource ranges must only include `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`.

#### 3.15.4 Description

Each specified range in *pRanges* is cleared to the value specified by *pColor*.

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *imageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
- *pColor* must be a pointer to a valid `VkClearColorValue` union

- *pRanges* must be a pointer to an array of *rangeCount* valid `VkImageSubresourceRange` structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- *rangeCount* must be greater than 0
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *image* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
- *imageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresource ranges of *image* specified in *pRanges* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- *imageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- The image range of any given element of *pRanges* must be an image subresource range that is contained within *image*
- *image* must not have a compressed or depth/stencil format

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE   |

#### 3.15.5 See Also

`VkClearColorValue`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkImage`, `VkImageLayout`, `VkImageSubresourceRange`

#### 3.15.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at [URL](#)

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdClearColorImage>

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## 3.16 vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage(3)

### 3.16.1 Name

vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage - Fill regions of a combined depth-stencil image

### 3.16.2 C Specification

To clear one or more subranges of a depth/stencil image, call:

```
void vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkImage                  image,
    VkImageLayout             imageLayout,
    const VkClearDepthStencilValue* pDepthStencil,
    uint32_t                  rangeCount,
    const VkImageSubresourceRange* pRanges);
```

### 3.16.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *image* is the image to be cleared.
- *imageLayout* specifies the current layout of the image subresource ranges to be cleared, and must be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL`.
- *pDepthStencil* is a pointer to a `VkClearDepthStencilValue` structure that contains the values the depth and stencil image subresource ranges will be cleared to (see [?] below).
- *rangeCount* is the number of image subresource range structures in *pRanges*.
- *pRanges* points to an array of `VkImageSubresourceRange` structures that describe a range of mipmap levels, array layers, and aspects to be cleared, as described in Image Views. The *aspectMask* of each image subresource range in *pRanges* can include `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` if the image format has a depth component, and `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT` if the image format has a stencil component. *pDepthStencil* is a pointer to a `VkClearDepthStencilValue` structure that contains the values the image subresource ranges will be cleared to (see [?] below).

### 3.16.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *imageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
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- *pDepthStencil* must be a pointer to a valid `VkClearDepthStencilValue` structure
- *pRanges* must be a pointer to an array of *rangeCount* valid `VkImageSubresourceRange` structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- *rangeCount* must be greater than 0
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *image* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
- *imageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresource ranges of *image* specified in *pRanges* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- *imageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- The image range of any given element of *pRanges* must be an image subresource range that is contained within *image*
- *image* must have a depth/stencil format

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |

### 3.16.5 See Also

`VkClearDepthStencilValue`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkImage`, `VkImageLayout`, `VkImageSubresourceRange`

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### 3.16.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage>

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## 3.17 vkCmdCopyBuffer(3)

### 3.17.1 Name

vkCmdCopyBuffer - Copy data between buffer regions

### 3.17.2 C Specification

To copy data between buffer objects, call:

```
void vkCmdCopyBuffer (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 srcBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 dstBuffer,
    uint32_t                 regionCount,
    const VkBufferCopy*      pRegions);
```

### 3.17.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *srcBuffer* is the source buffer.
- *dstBuffer* is the destination buffer.
- *regionCount* is the number of regions to copy.
- *pRegions* is a pointer to an array of *VkBufferCopy* structures specifying the regions to copy.

### 3.17.4 Description

Each region in *pRegions* is copied from the source buffer to the same region of the destination buffer. *srcBuffer* and *dstBuffer* can be the same buffer or alias the same memory, but the result is undefined if the copy regions overlap in memory.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid *VkCommandBuffer* handle
- *srcBuffer* must be a valid *VkBuffer* handle
- *dstBuffer* must be a valid *VkBuffer* handle
- *pRegions* must be a pointer to an array of *regionCount* *VkBufferCopy* structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The *VkCommandPool* that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations

- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- *regionCount* must be greater than 0
- Each of *commandBuffer*, *dstBuffer*, and *srcBuffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same *VkDevice*
- The *size* member of a given element of *pRegions* must be greater than 0
- The *srcOffset* member of a given element of *pRegions* must be less than the size of *srcBuffer*
- The *dstOffset* member of a given element of *pRegions* must be less than the size of *dstBuffer*
- The *size* member of a given element of *pRegions* must be less than or equal to the size of *srcBuffer* minus *srcOffset*
- The *size* member of a given element of *pRegions* must be less than or equal to the size of *dstBuffer* minus *dstOffset*
- The union of the source regions, and the union of the destination regions, specified by the elements of *pRegions*, must not overlap in memory
- *srcBuffer* must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` usage flag
- *dstBuffer* must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

### 3.17.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkBufferCopy`, `VkCommandBuffer`

### 3.17.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdCopyBuffer>

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## 3.18 vkCmdCopyBufferToImage(3)

### 3.18.1 Name

vkCmdCopyBufferToImage - Copy data from a buffer into an image

### 3.18.2 C Specification

To copy data from a buffer object to an image object, call:

```
void vkCmdCopyBufferToImage(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 srcBuffer,
    VkImage                  dstImage,
    VkImageLayout            dstImageLayout,
    uint32_t                 regionCount,
    const VkBufferImageCopy* pRegions);
```

### 3.18.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *srcBuffer* is the source buffer.
- *dstImage* is the destination image.
- *dstImageLayout* is the layout of the destination image subresources for the copy.
- *regionCount* is the number of regions to copy.
- *pRegions* is a pointer to an array of *VkBufferImageCopy* structures specifying the regions to copy.

### 3.18.4 Description

Each region in *pRegions* is copied from the specified region of the source buffer to the specified region of the destination image.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid *VkCommandBuffer* handle
  - *srcBuffer* must be a valid *VkBuffer* handle
  - *dstImage* must be a valid *VkImage* handle
  - *dstImageLayout* must be a valid *VkImageLayout* value
  - *pRegions* must be a pointer to an array of *regionCount* valid *VkBufferImageCopy* structures
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
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- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- `regionCount` must be greater than 0
- Each of `commandBuffer`, `dstImage`, and `srcBuffer` must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- The buffer region specified by a given element of `pRegions` must be a region that is contained within `srcBuffer`
- The image region specified by a given element of `pRegions` must be a region that is contained within `dstImage`
- The union of all source regions, and the union of all destination regions, specified by the elements of `pRegions`, must not overlap in memory
- `srcBuffer` must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` usage flag
- `dstImage` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
- `dstImage` must have a sample count equal to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- `dstImageLayout` must specify the layout of the image subresources of `dstImage` specified in `pRegions` at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- `dstImageLayout` must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

### 3.18.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkBufferImageCopy`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkImage`, `VkImageLayout`

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### 3.18.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdCopyBufferToImage>

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## 3.19 vkCmdCopyImage(3)

### 3.19.1 Name

vkCmdCopyImage - Copy data between images

### 3.19.2 C Specification

To copy data between image objects, call:

```
void vkCmdCopyImage (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkImage                  srcImage,
    VkImageLayout            srcImageLayout,
    VkImage                  dstImage,
    VkImageLayout            dstImageLayout,
    uint32_t                 regionCount,
    const VkImageCopy*       pRegions);
```

### 3.19.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *srcImage* is the source image.
- *srcImageLayout* is the current layout of the source image subresource.
- *dstImage* is the destination image.
- *dstImageLayout* is the current layout of the destination image subresource.
- *regionCount* is the number of regions to copy.
- *pRegions* is a pointer to an array of *VkImageCopy* structures specifying the regions to copy.

### 3.19.4 Description

Each region in *pRegions* is copied from the source image to the same region of the destination image. *srcImage* and *dstImage* can be the same image or alias the same memory.

Copies are done layer by layer starting with *baseArrayLayer* member of *srcSubresource* for the source and *dstSubresource* for the destination. *layerCount* layers are copied to the destination image.

The formats of *srcImage* and *dstImage* must be compatible. Formats are considered compatible if their texel size in bytes is the same between both formats. For example, *VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_UNORM* is compatible with *VK\_FORMAT\_R32\_UINT* because both texels are 4 bytes in size. Depth/stencil formats must match exactly.

**vkCmdCopyImage** allows copying between size-compatible compressed and uncompressed internal formats. Formats are size-compatible if the texel size of the uncompressed format is equal to the compressed texel block size in bytes of the compressed format. Such a copy does not perform on-the-fly compression or decompression. When copying from an uncompressed format to a compressed format, each texel of uncompressed data of the source image is copied as a raw value to the corresponding compressed texel block of the destination image. When copying from a compressed format to an uncompressed format, each compressed texel block of the source image is copied as a raw value to the corresponding texel of uncompressed data in the destination image. Thus, for example, it is legal to copy between a 128-bit

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uncompressed format and a compressed format which has a 128-bit sized compressed texel block representing 4x4 texels (using 8 bits per texel), or between a 64-bit uncompressed format and a compressed format which has a 64-bit sized compressed texel block representing 4x4 texels (using 4 bits per texel).

When copying between compressed and uncompressed formats the *extent* members represent the texel dimensions of the source image and not the destination. When copying from a compressed image to an uncompressed image the image texel dimensions written to the uncompressed image will be source extent divided by the compressed texel block dimensions. When copying from an uncompressed image to a compressed image the image texel dimensions written to the compressed image will be the source extent multiplied by the compressed texel block dimensions. In both cases the number of bytes read and the number of bytes written will be identical.

Copying to or from block-compressed images is typically done in multiples of the compressed texel block. For this reason the *extent* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block dimension. There is one exception to this rule which is required to handle compressed images created with dimensions that are not a multiple of the compressed texel block dimensions. If the *srcImage* is compressed and if *extent.width* is not a multiple of the compressed texel block width then (*extent.width*

*srcOffset.x*) must equal the image subresource width, if *extent.height* is not a multiple of the compressed texel block height then (*extent.height + srcOffset.y*) must equal the image subresource height and if *extent.depth* is not a multiple of the compressed texel block depth then (*extent.depth + srcOffset.z*) must equal the image subresource depth. Similarly, if the *dstImage* is compressed and if *extent.width* is not a multiple of the compressed texel block width then (*extent.width + dstOffset.x*) must equal the image subresource width, if *extent.height* is not a multiple of the compressed texel block height then (*extent.height + dstOffset.y*) must equal the image subresource height and if *extent.depth* is not a multiple of the compressed texel block depth then (*extent.depth + dstOffset.z*) must equal the image subresource depth. This allows the last compressed texel block of the image in each non-multiple dimension to be included as a source or destination of the copy.

**vkCmdCopyImage** can be used to copy image data between multisample images, but both images must have the same number of samples.

### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *srcImage* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *srcImageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *dstImage* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *dstImageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *pRegions* must be a pointer to an array of *regionCount* valid `VkImageCopy` structures
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations
  - This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
  - *regionCount* must be greater than 0
  - Each of *commandBuffer*, *dstImage*, and *srcImage* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
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- The source region specified by a given element of *pRegions* must be a region that is contained within *srcImage*
- The destination region specified by a given element of *pRegions* must be a region that is contained within *dstImage*
- The union of all source regions, and the union of all destination regions, specified by the elements of *pRegions*, must not overlap in memory
- *srcImage* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` usage flag
- *srcImageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresources of *srcImage* specified in *pRegions* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- *srcImageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- *dstImage* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
- *dstImageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresources of *dstImage* specified in *pRegions* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- *dstImageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- The `VkFormat` of each of *srcImage* and *dstImage* must be compatible, as defined below
- The sample count of *srcImage* and *dstImage* must match

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

### 3.19.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkImage`, `VkImageCopy`, `VkImageLayout`

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### 3.19.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdCopyImage>

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## 3.20 vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer(3)

### 3.20.1 Name

vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer - Copy image data into a buffer

### 3.20.2 C Specification

To copy data from an image object to a buffer object, call:

```
void vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkImage                  srcImage,
    VkImageLayout             srcImageLayout,
    VkBuffer                  dstBuffer,
    uint32_t                  regionCount,
    const VkBufferImageCopy* pRegions);
```

### 3.20.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *srcImage* is the source image.
- *srcImageLayout* is the layout of the source image subresources for the copy.
- *dstBuffer* is the destination buffer.
- *regionCount* is the number of regions to copy.
- *pRegions* is a pointer to an array of `VkBufferImageCopy` structures specifying the regions to copy.

### 3.20.4 Description

Each region in *pRegions* is copied from the specified region of the source image to the specified region of the destination buffer.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *srcImage* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *srcImageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
- *dstBuffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *pRegions* must be a pointer to an array of *regionCount* valid `VkBufferImageCopy` structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state

- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- `regionCount` must be greater than 0
- Each of `commandBuffer`, `dstBuffer`, and `srcImage` must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- The image region specified by a given element of `pRegions` must be a region that is contained within `srcImage`
- The buffer region specified by a given element of `pRegions` must be a region that is contained within `dstBuffer`
- The union of all source regions, and the union of all destination regions, specified by the elements of `pRegions`, must not overlap in memory
- `srcImage` must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` usage flag
- `srcImage` must have a sample count equal to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- `srcImageLayout` must specify the layout of the image subresources of `srcImage` specified in `pRegions` at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
- `srcImageLayout` must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
- `dstBuffer` must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

### 3.20.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkBufferImageCopy`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkImage`, `VkImageLayout`

### 3.20.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer>

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## 3.21 vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults(3)

### 3.21.1 Name

vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults - Copy the results of queries in a query pool to a buffer object

### 3.21.2 C Specification

To copy query statuses and numerical results directly to buffer memory, call:

```
void vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkQueryPool              queryPool,
    uint32_t                 firstQuery,
    uint32_t                 queryCount,
    VkBuffer                 dstBuffer,
    VkDeviceSize             dstOffset,
    VkDeviceSize             stride,
    VkQueryResultFlags       flags);
```

### 3.21.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which this command will be recorded.
- *queryPool* is the query pool managing the queries containing the desired results.
- *firstQuery* is the initial query index.
- *queryCount* is the number of queries. *firstQuery* and *queryCount* together define a range of queries.
- *dstBuffer* is a *VkBuffer* object that will receive the results of the copy command.
- *dstOffset* is an offset into *dstBuffer*.
- *stride* is the stride in bytes between results for individual queries within *dstBuffer*. The required size of the backing memory for *dstBuffer* is determined as described above for *vkGetQueryPoolResults*.
- *flags* is a bitmask of *VkQueryResultFlagBits* specifying how and when results are returned.

### 3.21.4 Description

**vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults** is guaranteed to see the effect of previous uses of **vkCmdResetQueryPool** in the same queue, without any additional synchronization. Thus, the results will always reflect the most recent use of the query.

*flags* has the same possible values described above for the *flags* parameter of *vkGetQueryPoolResults*, but the different style of execution causes some subtle behavioral differences. Because **vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults** executes in order with respect to other query commands, there is less ambiguity about which use of a query is being requested.

If no bits are set in *flags*, results for all requested queries in the available state are written as 32-bit unsigned integer values, and nothing is written for queries in the unavailable state.

If *VK\_QUERY\_RESULT\_64\_BIT* is set, the results are written as an array of 64-bit unsigned integer values as described for *vkGetQueryPoolResults*.

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If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` is set, the implementation will wait for each query's status to be in the available state before retrieving the numerical results for that query. This is guaranteed to reflect the most recent use of the query on the same queue, assuming that the query is not being simultaneously used by other queues. If the query does not become available in a finite amount of time (e.g. due to not issuing a query since the last reset), a `VK_ERROR_DEVICE_LOST` error may occur.

Similarly, if `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT` is set and `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` is not set, the availability is guaranteed to reflect the most recent use of the query on the same queue, assuming that the query is not being simultaneously used by other queues. As with **`vkGetQueryPoolResults`**, implementations must guarantee that if they return a non-zero availability value, then the numerical results are valid.

If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT` is set, `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` is not set, and the query's status is unavailable, an intermediate result value between zero and the final result value is written for that query.

`VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT` must not be used if the pool's *queryType* is `VK_QUERY_TYPE_TIMESTAMP`.

**`vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults`** is considered to be a transfer operation, and its writes to buffer memory must be synchronized using `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT` and `VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_WRITE_BIT` before using the results.

### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *queryPool* must be a valid `VkQueryPool` handle
- *dstBuffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkQueryResultFlagBits` values
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- Each of *commandBuffer*, *dstBuffer*, and *queryPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *dstOffset* must be less than the size of *dstBuffer*
- *firstQuery* must be less than the number of queries in *queryPool*
- The sum of *firstQuery* and *queryCount* must be less than or equal to the number of queries in *queryPool*
- If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` is not set in *flags* then *dstOffset* and *stride* must be multiples of 4
- If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` is set in *flags* then *dstOffset* and *stride* must be multiples of 8
- *dstBuffer* must have enough storage, from *dstOffset*, to contain the result of each query, as described here
- *dstBuffer* must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
- If the *queryType* used to create *queryPool* was `VK_QUERY_TYPE_TIMESTAMP`, *flags* must not contain `VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

### 3.21.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkQueryPool`, `VkQueryResultFlags`

### 3.21.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults>

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## 3.22 vkCmdDispatch(3)

### 3.22.1 Name

vkCmdDispatch - Dispatch compute work items

### 3.22.2 C Specification

To record a dispatch, call:

```
void vkCmdDispatch(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 x,
    uint32_t                 y,
    uint32_t                 z);
```

### 3.22.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *x* is the number of local workgroups to dispatch in the X dimension.
- *y* is the number of local workgroups to dispatch in the Y dimension.
- *z* is the number of local workgroups to dispatch in the Z dimension.

### 3.22.4 Description

When the command is executed, a global workgroup consisting of  $x \times y \times z$  local workgroups is assembled.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- *x* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxComputeWorkGroupCount[0]`
- *y* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxComputeWorkGroupCount[1]`
- *z* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxComputeWorkGroupCount[2]`
- For each set *n* that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, a descriptor set must have been bound to *n* at `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for set *n*, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]

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- Descriptors in each bound descriptor set, specified via **vkCmdBindDescriptorSets**, must be valid if they are statically used by the currently bound `VkPipeline` object, specified via **vkCmdBindPipeline**
  - A valid compute pipeline must be bound to the current command buffer with `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`
  - For each push constant that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, a push constant value must have been set for `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for push constants with the one used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
  - If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used to sample from any `VkImage` with a `VkImageView` of the type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`, in any shader stage
  - If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions with **ImplicitLod**, **Dref** or **Proj** in their name, in any shader stage
  - If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions that includes a LOD bias or any offset values, in any shader stage
  - If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` accesses a uniform buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
  - If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` accesses a storage buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
  - Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties**
  - Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties**
  - Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must not have a `VkImageViewType` of `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`
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**Host Synchronization**

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

**Command Properties**

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | COMPUTE               |
| Secondary             |                   |                       |

**3.22.5 See Also**

VkCommandBuffer

**3.22.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdDispatch>

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## 3.23 vkCmdDispatchIndirect(3)

### 3.23.1 Name

vkCmdDispatchIndirect - Dispatch compute work items using indirect parameters

### 3.23.2 C Specification

To record an indirect command dispatch, call:

```
void vkCmdDispatchIndirect (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 buffer,
    VkDeviceSize             offset);
```

### 3.23.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *buffer* is the buffer containing dispatch parameters.
- *offset* is the byte offset into *buffer* where parameters begin.

### 3.23.4 Description

**vkCmdDispatchIndirect** behaves similarly to **vkCmdDispatch** except that the parameters are read by the device from a buffer during execution. The parameters of the dispatch are encoded in a **VkDispatchIndirectCommand** structure taken from *buffer* starting at *offset*.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid **VkCommandBuffer** handle
- *buffer* must be a valid **VkBuffer** handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The **VkCommandPool** that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- Both of *buffer*, and *commandBuffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same **VkDevice**
- For each set *n* that is statically used by the **VkPipeline** currently bound to **VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_COMPUTE**, a descriptor set must have been bound to *n* at **VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_COMPUTE**, with a **VkPipelineLayout** that is compatible for set *n*, with the **VkPipelineLayout** used to create the current **VkPipeline**, as described in [?]
- Descriptors in each bound descriptor set, specified via **vkCmdBindDescriptorSets**, must be valid if they are statically used by the currently bound **VkPipeline** object, specified via **vkCmdBindPipeline**

- A valid compute pipeline must be bound to the current command buffer with `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`
- *buffer* must have been created with the `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDIRECT_BUFFER_BIT` bit set
- *offset* must be a multiple of 4
- The sum of *offset* and the size of `VkDispatchIndirectCommand` must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer*
- For each push constant that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, a push constant value must have been set for `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for push constants with the one used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used to sample from any `VkImage` with a `VkImageView` of the type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions with **ImplicitLod**, **Dref** or **Proj** in their name, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions that includes a LOD bias or any offset values, in any shader stage
- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` accesses a uniform buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE` accesses a storage buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must not have a `VkImageViewType` of `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.23.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkDeviceSize`

#### 3.23.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdDispatchIndirect>

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## 3.24 vkCmdDraw(3)

### 3.24.1 Name

vkCmdDraw - Draw primitives

### 3.24.2 C Specification

To record a non-indexed draw, call:

```
void vkCmdDraw(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 vertexCount,
    uint32_t                 instanceCount,
    uint32_t                 firstVertex,
    uint32_t                 firstInstance);
```

### 3.24.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *vertexCount* is the number of vertices to draw.
- *instanceCount* is the number of instances to draw.
- *firstVertex* is the index of the first vertex to draw.
- *firstInstance* is the instance ID of the first instance to draw.

### 3.24.4 Description

When the command is executed, primitives are assembled using the current primitive topology and *vertexCount* consecutive vertex indices with the first **vertexIndex** value equal to *firstVertex*. The primitives are drawn *instanceCount* times with **instanceIndex** starting with *firstInstance* and increasing sequentially for each instance. The assembled primitives execute the currently bound graphics pipeline.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance
- For each set *n* that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a descriptor set must have been bound to *n* at `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for set *n*, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]

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- For each push constant that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a push constant value must have been set for `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for push constants, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
  - Descriptors in each bound descriptor set, specified via **`vkCmdBindDescriptorSets`**, must be valid if they are statically used by the currently bound `VkPipeline` object, specified via **`vkCmdBindPipeline`**
  - All vertex input bindings accessed via vertex input variables declared in the vertex shader entry point's interface must have valid buffers bound
  - For a given vertex buffer binding, any attribute data fetched must be entirely contained within the corresponding vertex buffer binding, as described in [?]
  - A valid graphics pipeline must be bound to the current command buffer with `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`
  - If the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` requires any dynamic state, that state must have been set on the current command buffer
  - Every input attachment used by the current subpass must be bound to the pipeline via a descriptor set
  - If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used to sample from any `VkImage` with a `VkImageView` of the type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`, in any shader stage
  - If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions with **`ImplicitLod`**, **`Dref`** or **`Proj`** in their name, in any shader stage
  - If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions that includes a LOD bias or any offset values, in any shader stage
  - If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a uniform buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
  - If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a storage buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
  - Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
  - Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image)
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or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**

- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must not have a `VkImageViewType` of `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |

### 3.24.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`

### 3.24.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdDraw>

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## 3.25 vkCmdDrawIndexed(3)

### 3.25.1 Name

vkCmdDrawIndexed - Issue an indexed draw into a command buffer

### 3.25.2 C Specification

To record an indexed draw, call:

```
void vkCmdDrawIndexed(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 indexCount,
    uint32_t                 instanceCount,
    uint32_t                 firstIndex,
    int32_t                  vertexOffset,
    uint32_t                 firstInstance);
```

### 3.25.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *indexCount* is the number of vertices to draw.
- *instanceCount* is the number of instances to draw.
- *firstIndex* is the base index within the index buffer.
- *vertexOffset* is the value added to the vertex index before indexing into the vertex buffer.
- *firstInstance* is the instance ID of the first instance to draw.

### 3.25.4 Description

When the command is executed, primitives are assembled using the current primitive topology and *indexCount* vertices whose indices are retrieved from the index buffer. The index buffer is treated as an array of tightly packed unsigned integers of size defined by the `vkCmdBindIndexBuffer::indexType` parameter with which the buffer was bound.

The first vertex index is at an offset of  $firstIndex * indexSize + offset$  within the currently bound index buffer, where *offset* is the offset specified by `vkCmdBindIndexBuffer` and *indexSize* is the byte size of the type specified by *indexType*. Subsequent index values are retrieved from consecutive locations in the index buffer. Indices are first compared to the primitive restart value, then zero extended to 32 bits (if the *indexType* is `VK_INDEX_TYPE_UINT16`) and have *vertexOffset* added to them, before being supplied as the **vertexIndex** value.

The primitives are drawn *instanceCount* times with **instanceIndex** starting with *firstInstance* and increasing sequentially for each instance. The assembled primitives execute the currently bound graphics pipeline.

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| <b>Valid Usage</b> |
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- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance
- For each set *n* that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a descriptor set must have been bound to *n* at `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for set *n*, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- For each push constant that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a push constant value must have been set for `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for push constants, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- Descriptors in each bound descriptor set, specified via **`vkCmdBindDescriptorSets`**, must be valid if they are statically used by the currently bound `VkPipeline` object, specified via **`vkCmdBindPipeline`**
- All vertex input bindings accessed via vertex input variables declared in the vertex shader entry point's interface must have valid buffers bound
- For a given vertex buffer binding, any attribute data fetched must be entirely contained within the corresponding vertex buffer binding, as described in [?]
- A valid graphics pipeline must be bound to the current command buffer with `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`
- If the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` requires any dynamic state, that state must have been set on the current command buffer
- $(indexSize * (firstIndex + indexCount) + offset)$  must be less than or equal to the size of the currently bound index buffer, with *indexSize* being based on the type specified by *indexType*, where the index buffer, *indexType*, and *offset* are specified via **`vkCmdBindIndexBuffer`**
- Every input attachment used by the current subpass must be bound to the pipeline via a descriptor set
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used to sample from any `VkImage` with a `VkImageView` of the type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions with **`ImplicitLod`**, **`Dref`** or **`Proj`** in their name, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions that includes a LOD bias or any offset values, in any shader stage

- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a uniform buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a storage buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must not have a `VkImageViewType` of `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   |                       |

### 3.25.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`

### 3.25.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdDrawIndexed>

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## 3.26 vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect(3)

### 3.26.1 Name

vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect - Perform an indexed indirect draw

### 3.26.2 C Specification

To record an indexed indirect draw, call:

```
void vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 buffer,
    VkDeviceSize             offset,
    uint32_t                 drawCount,
    uint32_t                 stride);
```

### 3.26.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *buffer* is the buffer containing draw parameters.
- *offset* is the byte offset into *buffer* where parameters begin.
- *drawCount* is the number of draws to execute, and can be zero.
- *stride* is the byte stride between successive sets of draw parameters.

### 3.26.4 Description

**vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect** behaves similarly to **vkCmdDrawIndexed** except that the parameters are read by the device from a buffer during execution. *drawCount* draws are executed by the command, with parameters taken from *buffer* starting at *offset* and increasing by *stride* bytes for each successive draw. The parameters of each draw are encoded in an array of **VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand** structures. If *drawCount* is less than or equal to one, *stride* is ignored.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid **VkCommandBuffer** handle
  - *buffer* must be a valid **VkBuffer** handle
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The **VkCommandPool** that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance
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- Both of *buffer*, and *commandBuffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *offset* must be a multiple of 4
- If *drawCount* is greater than 1, *stride* must be a multiple of 4 and must be greater than or equal to `sizeof(VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand)`
- If the multi-draw indirect feature is not enabled, *drawCount* must be 0 or 1
- If the `drawIndirectFirstInstance` feature is not enabled, all the *firstInstance* members of the `VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand` structures accessed by this command must be 0
- For each set *n* that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a descriptor set must have been bound to *n* at `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for set *n*, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- For each push constant that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a push constant value must have been set for `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for push constants, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- Descriptors in each bound descriptor set, specified via **`vkCmdBindDescriptorSets`**, must be valid if they are statically used by the currently bound `VkPipeline` object, specified via **`vkCmdBindPipeline`**
- All vertex input bindings accessed via vertex input variables declared in the vertex shader entry point's interface must have valid buffers bound
- A valid graphics pipeline must be bound to the current command buffer with `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`
- If the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` requires any dynamic state, that state must have been set on the current command buffer
- If *drawCount* is equal to 1,  $(offset + sizeof(VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand))$  must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer*
- If *drawCount* is greater than 1,  $(stride \times (drawCount - 1) + offset + sizeof(VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand))$  must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer*
- *drawCount* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxDrawIndirectCount`
- Every input attachment used by the current subpass must be bound to the pipeline via a descriptor set
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used to sample from any `VkImage` with a `VkImageView` of the type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions with **`ImplicitLod`**, **`Dref`** or **`Proj`** in their name, in any shader stage

- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions that includes a LOD bias or any offset values, in any shader stage
- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a uniform buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a storage buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must not have a `VkImageViewType` of `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`

## Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

## Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |

**3.26.5 See Also**

VkBuffer, VkCommandBuffer, VkDeviceSize

**3.26.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect>

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## 3.27 vkCmdDrawIndirect(3)

### 3.27.1 Name

vkCmdDrawIndirect - Issue an indirect draw into a command buffer

### 3.27.2 C Specification

To record a non-indexed indirect draw, call:

```
void vkCmdDrawIndirect (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 buffer,
    VkDeviceSize             offset,
    uint32_t                 drawCount,
    uint32_t                 stride);
```

### 3.27.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *buffer* is the buffer containing draw parameters.
- *offset* is the byte offset into *buffer* where parameters begin.
- *drawCount* is the number of draws to execute, and can be zero.
- *stride* is the byte stride between successive sets of draw parameters.

### 3.27.4 Description

**vkCmdDrawIndirect** behaves similarly to **vkCmdDraw** except that the parameters are read by the device from a buffer during execution. *drawCount* draws are executed by the command, with parameters taken from *buffer* starting at *offset* and increasing by *stride* bytes for each successive draw. The parameters of each draw are encoded in an array of **VkDrawIndirectCommand** structures. If *drawCount* is less than or equal to one, *stride* is ignored.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid **VkCommandBuffer** handle
  - *buffer* must be a valid **VkBuffer** handle
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The **VkCommandPool** that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance
  - Both of *buffer*, and *commandBuffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same **VkDevice**
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- *offset* must be a multiple of 4
- If *drawCount* is greater than 1, *stride* must be a multiple of 4 and must be greater than or equal to `sizeof(VkDrawIndirectCommand)`
- If the multi-draw indirect feature is not enabled, *drawCount* must be 0 or 1
- If the `drawIndirectFirstInstance` feature is not enabled, all the *firstInstance* members of the `VkDrawIndirectCommand` structures accessed by this command must be 0
- For each set *n* that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a descriptor set must have been bound to *n* at `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for set *n*, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- For each push constant that is statically used by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, a push constant value must have been set for `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`, with a `VkPipelineLayout` that is compatible for push constants, with the `VkPipelineLayout` used to create the current `VkPipeline`, as described in [?]
- Descriptors in each bound descriptor set, specified via **`vkCmdBindDescriptorSets`**, must be valid if they are statically used by the currently bound `VkPipeline` object, specified via **`vkCmdBindPipeline`**
- All vertex input bindings accessed via vertex input variables declared in the vertex shader entry point's interface must have valid buffers bound
- A valid graphics pipeline must be bound to the current command buffer with `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS`
- If the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` requires any dynamic state, that state must have been set on the current command buffer
- If *drawCount* is equal to 1,  $(offset + sizeof(VkDrawIndirectCommand))$  must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer*
- If *drawCount* is greater than 1,  $(stride \times (drawCount - 1) + offset + sizeof(VkDrawIndirectCommand))$  must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer*
- *drawCount* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxDrawIndirectCount`
- Every input attachment used by the current subpass must be bound to the pipeline via a descriptor set
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used to sample from any `VkImage` with a `VkImageView` of the type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions with **`ImplicitLod`**, **`Dref`** or **`Proj`** in their name, in any shader stage
- If any `VkSampler` object that is accessed from a shader by the `VkPipeline` currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` uses unnormalized coordinates, it must not be used with any of the SPIR-V `OpImageSample*` or `OpImageSparseSample*` instructions that includes a LOD bias or any offset values, in any shader stage

- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a uniform buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- If the robust buffer access feature is not enabled, and any shader stage in the `VkPipeline` object currently bound to `VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS` accesses a storage buffer, it must not access values outside of the range of that buffer specified in the currently bound descriptor set
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports linear filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must be of a format which supports cubic filtering, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (for a linear image) or `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (for an optimally tiled image) returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- Any `VkImageView` being sampled with `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG` as a result of this command must not have a `VkImageViewType` of `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D`, `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE`, or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   |                       |

### 3.27.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkDeviceSize`

### 3.27.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdDrawIndirect>

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## 3.28 vkCmdEndQuery(3)

### 3.28.1 Name

vkCmdEndQuery - Ends a query

### 3.28.2 C Specification

To end a query after the set of desired draw or dispatch commands is executed, call:

```
void vkCmdEndQuery (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkQueryPool              queryPool,
    uint32_t                 query);
```

### 3.28.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which this command will be recorded.
- *queryPool* is the query pool that is managing the results of the query.
- *query* is the query index within the query pool where the result is stored.

### 3.28.4 Description

As queries operate asynchronously, ending a query does not immediately set the query's status to available. A query is considered *finished* when the final results of the query are ready to be retrieved by `vkGetQueryPoolResults` and `vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults`, and this is when the query's status is set to available.

Once a query is ended the query must finish in finite time, unless the state of the query is changed using other commands, e.g. by issuing a reset of the query.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *queryPool* must be a valid `VkQueryPool` handle
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
  - Both of *commandBuffer*, and *queryPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
  - The query identified by *queryPool* and *query* must currently be active
  - *query* must be less than the number of queries in *queryPool*
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**Host Synchronization**

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

**Command Properties**

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE   |

**3.28.5 See Also**

VkCommandBuffer, VkQueryPool

**3.28.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdEndQuery>

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## 3.29 vkCmdEndRenderPass(3)

### 3.29.1 Name

vkCmdEndRenderPass - End the current render pass

### 3.29.2 C Specification

To record a command to end a render pass instance after recording the commands for the last subpass, call:

```
void vkCmdEndRenderPass(  
    VkCommandBuffer  
                                commandBuffer);
```

### 3.29.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer in which to end the current render pass instance.

### 3.29.4 Description

Ending a render pass instance performs any multisample resolve operations on the final subpass.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance
- *commandBuffer* must be a primary `VkCommandBuffer`
- The current subpass index must be equal to the number of subpasses in the render pass minus one

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

**Command Properties**

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |

**3.29.5 See Also**

VkCommandBuffer

**3.29.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdEndRenderPass>

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### 3.30 vkCmdExecuteCommands(3)

#### 3.30.1 Name

vkCmdExecuteCommands - Execute a secondary command buffer from a primary command buffer

#### 3.30.2 C Specification

A secondary command buffer must not be directly submitted to a queue. Instead, secondary command buffers are recorded to execute as part of a primary command buffer with the command:

```
void vkCmdExecuteCommands (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 commandBufferCount,
    const VkCommandBuffer*   pCommandBuffers);
```

#### 3.30.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is a handle to a primary command buffer that the secondary command buffers are executed in.
- *commandBufferCount* is the length of the *pCommandBuffers* array.
- *pCommandBuffers* is an array of secondary command buffer handles, which are recorded to execute in the primary command buffer in the order they are listed in the array.

#### 3.30.4 Description

Once **vkCmdExecuteCommands** has been called, any prior executions of the secondary command buffers specified by *pCommandBuffers* in any other primary command buffer become invalidated, unless those secondary command buffers were recorded with `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT`.

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *pCommandBuffers* must be a pointer to an array of *commandBufferCount* valid `VkCommandBuffer` handles
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations
  - *commandBuffer* must be a primary `VkCommandBuffer`
  - *commandBufferCount* must be greater than 0
  - Both of *commandBuffer*, and the elements of *pCommandBuffers* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
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- *commandBuffer* must have been allocated with a *level* of `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_PRIMARY`
- Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been allocated with a *level* of `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_SECONDARY`
- Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must not be already pending execution in *commandBuffer*, or appear twice in *pCommandBuffers*, unless it was recorded with the `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT` flag
- Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must not be already pending execution in any other `VkCommandBuffer`, unless it was recorded with the `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT` flag
- Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must be in the executable state
- Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been allocated from a `VkCommandPool` that was created for the same queue family as the `VkCommandPool` from which *commandBuffer* was allocated
- If **`vkCmdExecuteCommands`** is being called within a render pass instance, that render pass instance must have been begun with the *contents* parameter of **`vkCmdBeginRenderPass`** set to `VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS`
- If **`vkCmdExecuteCommands`** is being called within a render pass instance, any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been recorded with the `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT`
- If **`vkCmdExecuteCommands`** is being called within a render pass instance, any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been recorded with `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo::subpass` set to the index of the subpass which the given command buffer will be executed in
- If **`vkCmdExecuteCommands`** is being called within a render pass instance, any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been recorded with a render pass that is compatible with the current render pass - see [?]
- If **`vkCmdExecuteCommands`** is being called within a render pass instance, and any given element of *pCommandBuffers* was recorded with `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo::framebuffer` not equal to `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, that `VkFramebuffer` must match the `VkFramebuffer` used in the current render pass instance
- If **`vkCmdExecuteCommands`** is not being called within a render pass instance, any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must not have been recorded with the `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT`
- If the inherited queries feature is not enabled, *commandBuffer* must not have any queries active
- If *commandBuffer* has a `VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION` query active, then each element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been recorded with `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo::occlusionQueryEnable` set to `VK_TRUE`
- If *commandBuffer* has a `VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION` query active, then each element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been recorded with `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo::queryFlags` having all bits set that are set for the query
- If *commandBuffer* has a `VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS` query active, then each element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been recorded with `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo::pipelineStatistics` having all bits set that are set in the `VkQueryPool` the query uses

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- Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must not begin any query types that are active in *commandBuffer*

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

#### 3.30.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer

#### 3.30.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdExecuteCommands>

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### 3.31 vkCmdFillBuffer(3)

#### 3.31.1 Name

vkCmdFillBuffer - Fill a region of a buffer with a fixed value

#### 3.31.2 C Specification

To clear buffer data, call:

```
void vkCmdFillBuffer (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 dstBuffer,
    VkDeviceSize             dstOffset,
    VkDeviceSize             size,
    uint32_t                 data);
```

#### 3.31.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *dstBuffer* is the buffer to be filled.
- *dstOffset* is the byte offset into the buffer at which to start filling, and must be a multiple of 4.
- *size* is the number of bytes to fill, and must be either a multiple of 4, or VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE to fill the range from *offset* to the end of the buffer. If VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE is used and the remaining size of the buffer is not a multiple of 4, then the nearest smaller multiple is used.
- *data* is the 4-byte word written repeatedly to the buffer to fill *size* bytes of data. The data word is written to memory according to the host endianness.

#### 3.31.4 Description

**vkCmdFillBuffer** is treated as “transfer” operation for the purposes of synchronization barriers. The VK\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_TRANSFER\_DST\_BIT must be specified in *usage* of *VkBufferCreateInfo* in order for the buffer to be compatible with **vkCmdFillBuffer**.

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid *VkCommandBuffer* handle
- *dstBuffer* must be a valid *VkBuffer* handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The *VkCommandPool* that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance

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- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *dstBuffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same *VkDevice*
  - *dstOffset* must be less than the size of *dstBuffer*
  - *dstOffset* must be a multiple of 4
  - If *size* is not equal to *VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE*, *size* must be greater than 0
  - If *size* is not equal to *VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE*, *size* must be less than or equal to the size of *dstBuffer* minus *dstOffset*
  - If *size* is not equal to *VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE*, *size* must be a multiple of 4
  - *dstBuffer* must have been created with *VK\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_TRANSFER\_DST\_BIT* usage flag

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.31.5 See Also

*VkBuffer*, *VkCommandBuffer*, *VkDeviceSize*

#### 3.31.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdFillBuffer>

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## 3.32 vkCmdNextSubpass(3)

### 3.32.1 Name

vkCmdNextSubpass - Transition to the next subpass of a render pass

### 3.32.2 C Specification

To transition to the next subpass in the render pass instance after recording the commands for a subpass, call:

```
void vkCmdNextSubpass (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkSubpassContents        contents);
```

### 3.32.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer in which to record the command.
- *contents* specifies how the commands in the next subpass will be provided, in the same fashion as the corresponding parameter of `vkCmdBeginRenderPass`.

### 3.32.4 Description

The subpass index for a render pass begins at zero when **vkCmdBeginRenderPass** is recorded, and increments each time **vkCmdNextSubpass** is recorded.

Moving to the next subpass automatically performs any multisample resolve operations in the subpass being ended. End-of-subpass multisample resolves are treated as color attachment writes for the purposes of synchronization. That is, they are considered to execute in the `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OUTPUT_BIT` pipeline stage and their writes are synchronized with `VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT`. Synchronization between rendering within a subpass and any resolve operations at the end of the subpass occurs automatically, without need for explicit dependencies or pipeline barriers. However, if the resolve attachment is also used in a different subpass, an explicit dependency is needed.

After transitioning to the next subpass, the application can record the commands for that subpass.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *contents* must be a valid `VkSubpassContents` value
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- This command must only be called inside of a render pass instance
- *commandBuffer* must be a primary `VkCommandBuffer`
- The current subpass index must be less than the number of subpasses in the render pass minus one

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Inside            | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.32.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkSubpassContents

#### 3.32.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdNextSubpass>

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### 3.33 vkCmdPipelineBarrier(3)

#### 3.33.1 Name

vkCmdPipelineBarrier - Insert a set of execution and memory barriers

#### 3.33.2 C Specification

To record a pipeline barrier, call:

```
void vkCmdPipelineBarrier(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkPipelineStageFlags     srcStageMask,
    VkPipelineStageFlags     dstStageMask,
    VkDependencyFlags        dependencyFlags,
    uint32_t                 memoryBarrierCount,
    const VkMemoryBarrier*   pMemoryBarriers,
    uint32_t                 bufferMemoryBarrierCount,
    const VkBufferMemoryBarrier* pBufferMemoryBarriers,
    uint32_t                 imageMemoryBarrierCount,
    const VkImageMemoryBarrier* pImageMemoryBarriers);
```

#### 3.33.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *srcStageMask* is a bitmask of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` specifying a set of source pipeline stages (see [?]).
- *dstStageMask* is a bitmask specifying a set of destination pipeline stages.  
The pipeline barrier specifies an execution dependency such that all work performed by the set of pipeline stages included in *srcStageMask* of the first set of commands completes before any work performed by the set of pipeline stages included in *dstStageMask* of the second set of commands begins.
- *dependencyFlags* is a bitmask of `VkDependencyFlagBits`. The execution dependency is by-region if the mask includes `VK_DEPENDENCY_BY_REGION_BIT`.
- *memoryBarrierCount* is the length of the *pMemoryBarriers* array.
- *pMemoryBarriers* is a pointer to an array of `VkMemoryBarrier` structures.
- *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* is the length of the *pBufferMemoryBarriers* array.
- *pBufferMemoryBarriers* is a pointer to an array of `VkBufferMemoryBarrier` structures.
- *imageMemoryBarrierCount* is the length of the *pImageMemoryBarriers* array.
- *pImageMemoryBarriers* is a pointer to an array of `VkImageMemoryBarrier` structures.

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### 3.33.4 Description

Each element of the *pMemoryBarriers*, *pBufferMemoryBarriers* and *pImageMemoryBarriers* arrays specifies two halves of a memory dependency, as defined above. Specifics of each type of memory barrier and the memory access types are defined further in Memory Barriers.

If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called outside a render pass instance, then the first set of commands is all prior commands submitted to the queue and recorded in the command buffer and the second set of commands is all subsequent commands recorded in the command buffer and submitted to the queue. If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called inside a render pass instance, then the first set of commands is all prior commands in the same subpass and the second set of commands is all subsequent commands in the same subpass.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *srcStageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
  - *srcStageMask* must not be 0
  - *dstStageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
  - *dstStageMask* must not be 0
  - *dependencyFlags* must be a valid combination of `VkDependencyFlagBits` values
  - If *memoryBarrierCount* is not 0, *pMemoryBarriers* must be a pointer to an array of *memoryBarrierCount* valid `VkMemoryBarrier` structures
  - If *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* is not 0, *pBufferMemoryBarriers* must be a pointer to an array of *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* valid `VkBufferMemoryBarrier` structures
  - If *imageMemoryBarrierCount* is not 0, *pImageMemoryBarriers* must be a pointer to an array of *imageMemoryBarrierCount* valid `VkImageMemoryBarrier` structures
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations
  - If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *srcStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
  - If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *dstStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
  - If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *srcStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
  - If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *dstStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
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- If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called within a render pass instance, the render pass must have been created with a `VkSubpassDependency` instance in *pDependencies* that expresses a dependency from the current subpass to itself. Additionally:
  - *srcStageMask* must contain a subset of the bit values in the *srcStageMask* member of that instance of `VkSubpassDependency`
  - *dstStageMask* must contain a subset of the bit values in the *dstStageMask* member of that instance of `VkSubpassDependency`
  - The *srcAccessMask* of any element of *pMemoryBarriers* or *pImageMemoryBarriers* must contain a subset of the bit values the *srcAccessMask* member of that instance of `VkSubpassDependency`
  - The *dstAccessMask* of any element of *pMemoryBarriers* or *pImageMemoryBarriers* must contain a subset of the bit values the *dstAccessMask* member of that instance of `VkSubpassDependency`
  - *dependencyFlags* must be equal to the *dependencyFlags* member of that instance of `VkSubpassDependency`
- If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called within a render pass instance, *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* must be 0
- If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called within a render pass instance, the *image* member of any element of *pImageMemoryBarriers* must be equal to one of the elements of *pAttachments* that the current *framebuffer* was created with, that is also referred to by one of the elements of the *pColorAttachments*, *pResolveAttachments* or *pDepthStencilAttachment* members of the `VkSubpassDescription` instance that the current subpass was created with
- If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called within a render pass instance, the *oldLayout* and *newLayout* members of any element of *pImageMemoryBarriers* must be equal to the *layout* member of an element of the *pColorAttachments*, *pResolveAttachments* or *pDepthStencilAttachment* members of the `VkSubpassDescription` instance that the current subpass was created with, that refers to the same *image*
- If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called within a render pass instance, the *oldLayout* and *newLayout* members of an element of *pImageMemoryBarriers* must be equal
- If **vkCmdPipelineBarrier** is called within a render pass instance, the *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* members of any element of *pImageMemoryBarriers* must be `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED`

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

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### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

#### 3.33.5 See Also

VkBufferMemoryBarrier, VkCommandBuffer, VkDependencyFlags, VkImageMemoryBarrier, VkMemoryBarrier, VkPipelineStageFlags

#### 3.33.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdPipelineBarrier>

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### 3.34 vkCmdPushConstants(3)

#### 3.34.1 Name

vkCmdPushConstants - Update the values of push constants

#### 3.34.2 C Specification

To update push constants, call:

```
void vkCmdPushConstants (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkPipelineLayout         layout,
    VkShaderStageFlags       stageFlags,
    uint32_t                 offset,
    uint32_t                 size,
    const void*              pValues);
```

#### 3.34.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer in which the push constant update will be recorded.
- *layout* is the pipeline layout used to program the push constant updates.
- *stageFlags* is a bitmask of `VkShaderStageFlagBits` specifying the shader stages that will use the push constants in the updated range.
- *offset* is the start offset of the push constant range to update, in units of bytes.
- *size* is the size of the push constant range to update, in units of bytes.
- *pValues* is an array of *size* bytes containing the new push constant values.

#### 3.34.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *layout* must be a valid `VkPipelineLayout` handle
- *stageFlags* must be a valid combination of `VkShaderStageFlagBits` values
- *stageFlags* must not be 0
- *pValues* must be a pointer to an array of *size* bytes
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations

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- *size* must be greater than 0
  - Both of *commandBuffer*, and *layout* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same *VkDevice*
  - *stageFlags* must match exactly the shader stages used in *layout* for the range specified by *offset* and *size*
  - *offset* must be a multiple of 4
  - *size* must be a multiple of 4
  - *offset* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPushConstantsSize`
  - *size* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPushConstantsSize` minus *offset*

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

#### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.34.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkPipelineLayout`, `VkShaderStageFlags`

#### 3.34.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdPushConstants>

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### 3.35 vkCmdResetEvent(3)

#### 3.35.1 Name

vkCmdResetEvent - Reset an event object to non-signaled state

#### 3.35.2 C Specification

To set the state of an event to unsignaled from a device, call:

```
void vkCmdResetEvent (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkEvent                  event,
    VkPipelineStageFlags     stageMask);
```

#### 3.35.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *event* is the event that will be reset.
- *stageMask* specifies the pipeline stage at which the state of *event* is updated as described below.

#### 3.35.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *event* must be a valid `VkEvent` handle
- *stageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
- *stageMask* must not be 0
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *event* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *stageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *stageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
- When this command executes, *event* must not be waited on by a `vkCmdWaitEvents` command that is currently executing

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.35.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkEvent, VkPipelineStageFlags

#### 3.35.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdResetEvent>

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### 3.36 vkCmdResetQueryPool(3)

#### 3.36.1 Name

vkCmdResetQueryPool - Reset queries in a query pool

#### 3.36.2 C Specification

To reset a range of queries in a query pool, call:

```
void vkCmdResetQueryPool(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkQueryPool              queryPool,
    uint32_t                 firstQuery,
    uint32_t                 queryCount);
```

#### 3.36.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which this command will be recorded.
- *queryPool* is the handle of the query pool managing the queries being reset.
- *firstQuery* is the initial query index to reset.
- *queryCount* is the number of queries to reset.

#### 3.36.4 Description

When executed on a queue, this command sets the status of query indices *firstQuery*, *firstQuery* + *queryCount* - 1 to unavailable.

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *queryPool* must be a valid `VkQueryPool` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *queryPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *firstQuery* must be less than the number of queries in *queryPool*
- The sum of *firstQuery* and *queryCount* must be less than or equal to the number of queries in *queryPool*

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.36.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkQueryPool

#### 3.36.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdResetQueryPool>

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### 3.37 vkCmdResolveImage(3)

#### 3.37.1 Name

vkCmdResolveImage - Resolve regions of an image

#### 3.37.2 C Specification

To resolve a multisample image to a non-multisample image, call:

```
void vkCmdResolveImage (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkImage                  srcImage,
    VkImageLayout            srcImageLayout,
    VkImage                  dstImage,
    VkImageLayout            dstImageLayout,
    uint32_t                 regionCount,
    const VkImageResolve*    pRegions);
```

#### 3.37.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *srcImage* is the source image.
- *srcImageLayout* is the layout of the source image subresources for the resolve.
- *dstImage* is the destination image.
- *dstImageLayout* is the layout of the destination image subresources for the resolve.
- *regionCount* is the number of regions to resolve.
- *pRegions* is a pointer to an array of `VkImageResolve` structures specifying the regions to resolve.

#### 3.37.4 Description

During the resolve the samples corresponding to each pixel location in the source are converted to a single sample before being written to the destination. If the source formats are floating-point or normalized types, the sample values for each pixel are resolved in an implementation-dependent manner. If the source formats are integer types, a single sample's value is selected for each pixel.

*srcOffset* and *dstOffset* select the initial x, y, and z offsets in texels of the sub-regions of the source and destination image data. *extent* is the size in texels of the source image to resolve in *width*, *height* and *depth*. 1D images use only *x* and *width*. 2D images use *x*, *y*, *width* and *height*. 3D images use *x*, *y*, *z*, *width*, *height* and *depth*.

Resolves are done layer by layer starting with *baseArrayLayer* member of *srcSubresource* for the source and *dstSubresource* for the destination. *layerCount* layers are resolved to the destination image.

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## Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
  - *srcImage* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *srcImageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *dstImage* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *dstImageLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *pRegions* must be a pointer to an array of *regionCount* valid `VkImageResolve` structures
  - *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
  - The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
  - *regionCount* must be greater than 0
  - Each of *commandBuffer*, *dstImage*, and *srcImage* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
  - The source region specified by a given element of *pRegions* must be a region that is contained within *srcImage*
  - The destination region specified by a given element of *pRegions* must be a region that is contained within *dstImage*
  - The union of all source regions, and the union of all destination regions, specified by the elements of *pRegions*, must not overlap in memory
  - *srcImage* must have a sample count equal to any valid sample count value other than `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
  - *dstImage* must have a sample count equal to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
  - *srcImageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresources of *srcImage* specified in *pRegions* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
  - *srcImageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
  - *dstImageLayout* must specify the layout of the image subresources of *dstImage* specified in *pRegions* at the time this command is executed on a `VkDevice`
  - *dstImageLayout* must be either of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL`
  - If *dstImage* was created with *tiling* equal to `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR`, *dstImage* must have been created with a *format* that supports being a color attachment, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
  - If *dstImage* was created with *tiling* equal to `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, *dstImage* must have been created with a *format* that supports being a color attachment, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
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**Host Synchronization**

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

**Command Properties**

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |

**3.37.5 See Also**

VkCommandBuffer, VkImage, VkImageLayout, VkImageResolve

**3.37.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdResolveImage>

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## 3.38 vkCmdSetBlendConstants(3)

### 3.38.1 Name

vkCmdSetBlendConstants - Set the values of blend constants

### 3.38.2 C Specification

Otherwise, to dynamically set and change the blend constant, call:

```
void vkCmdSetBlendConstants(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    const float               blendConstants[4]);
```

### 3.38.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *blendConstants* is an array of four values specifying the R, G, B, and A components of the blend constant color used in blending, depending on the blend factor.

### 3.38.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_BLEND_CONSTANTS` dynamic state enabled

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized
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**Command Properties**

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

**3.38.5 See Also**

VkCommandBuffer

**3.38.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetBlendConstants>

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### 3.39 vkCmdSetDepthBias(3)

#### 3.39.1 Name

vkCmdSetDepthBias - Set the depth bias dynamic state

#### 3.39.2 C Specification

The depth values of all fragments generated by the rasterization of a polygon can be offset by a single value that is computed for that polygon. This behavior is controlled by the *depthBiasEnable*, *depthBiasConstantFactor*, *depthBiasClamp*, and *depthBiasSlopeFactor* members of *VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo*, or by the corresponding parameters to the **vkCmdSetDepthBias** command if depth bias state is dynamic.

```
void vkCmdSetDepthBias (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    float                    depthBiasConstantFactor,
    float                    depthBiasClamp,
    float                    depthBiasSlopeFactor);
```

#### 3.39.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *depthBiasConstantFactor* is a scalar factor controlling the constant depth value added to each fragment.
- *depthBiasClamp* is the maximum (or minimum) depth bias of a fragment.
- *depthBiasSlopeFactor* is a scalar factor applied to a fragment's slope in depth bias calculations.

#### 3.39.4 Description

If *depthBiasEnable* is *VK\_FALSE*, no depth bias is applied and the fragment's depth values are unchanged.

*depthBiasSlopeFactor* scales the maximum depth slope of the polygon, and *depthBiasConstantFactor* scales an implementation-dependent constant that relates to the usable resolution of the depth buffer. The resulting values are summed to produce the depth bias value which is then clamped to a minimum or maximum value specified by *depthBiasClamp*. *depthBiasSlopeFactor*, *depthBiasConstantFactor*, and *depthBiasClamp* can each be positive, negative, or zero.

The maximum depth slope  $m$  of a triangle is

$$m = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial z_f}{\partial x_f}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z_f}{\partial y_f}\right)^2} \quad (1)$$

where  $(x_f, y_f, z_f)$  is a point on the triangle.  $m$  may be approximated as

$$m = \max\left(\left|\frac{\partial z_f}{\partial x_f}\right|, \left|\frac{\partial z_f}{\partial y_f}\right|\right). \quad (2)$$

The minimum resolvable difference  $r$  is an implementation-dependent parameter that depends on the depth buffer representation. It is the smallest difference in framebuffer coordinate  $z$  values that is guaranteed to remain distinct

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throughout polygon rasterization and in the depth buffer. All pairs of fragments generated by the rasterization of two polygons with otherwise identical vertices, but  $z_f$  values that differ by  $\$r$ , will have distinct depth values.

For fixed-point depth buffer representations,  $r$  is constant throughout the range of the entire depth buffer. For floating-point depth buffers, there is no single minimum resolvable difference. In this case, the minimum resolvable difference for a given polygon is dependent on the maximum exponent,  $e$ , in the range of  $z$  values spanned by the primitive. If  $n$  is the number of bits in the floating-point mantissa, the minimum resolvable difference,  $r$ , for the given primitive is defined as

$$r = 2^{e-n} \quad (3)$$

If no depth buffer is present,  $r$  is undefined.

The bias value  $o$  for a polygon is

$$o = \begin{cases} m \times \text{depthBiasSlopeFactor} + r \times \text{depthBiasConstantFactor} & \text{depthBiasClamp} = 0 \text{ or NaN} \\ \min(m \times \text{depthBiasSlopeFactor} + r \times \text{depthBiasConstantFactor}, \text{depthBiasClamp}) & \text{depthBiasClamp} > 0 \\ \max(m \times \text{depthBiasSlopeFactor} + r \times \text{depthBiasConstantFactor}, \text{depthBiasClamp}) & \text{depthBiasClamp} < 0 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

$m$  is computed as described above. If the depth buffer uses a fixed-point representation,  $m$  is a function of depth values in the range  $[0, 1]$ , and  $o$  is applied to depth values in the same range.

For fixed-point depth buffers, fragment depth values are always limited to the range  $[0, 1]$  by clamping after depth bias addition is performed. Fragment depth values are clamped even when the depth buffer uses a floating-point representation.

#### Valid Usage

- `commandBuffer` must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- `commandBuffer` must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support graphics operations
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BIAS` dynamic state enabled
- If the depth bias clamping feature is not enabled, `depthBiasClamp` must be `0.0`

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

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### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.39.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer

#### 3.39.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetDepthBias>

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## 3.40 vkCmdSetDepthBounds(3)

### 3.40.1 Name

vkCmdSetDepthBounds - Set the depth bounds test values for a command buffer

### 3.40.2 C Specification

The depth bounds test conditionally disables coverage of a sample based on the outcome of a comparison between the value  $z_a$  in the depth attachment at location  $(x_f, y_f)$  (for the appropriate sample) and a range of values. The test is enabled or disabled by the *depthBoundsTestEnable* member of `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo`: If the pipeline state object is created without the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BOUNDS` dynamic state enabled then the range of values used in the depth bounds test are defined by the *minDepthBounds* and *maxDepthBounds* members of the `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` structure. Otherwise, to dynamically set the depth bounds range values call:

```
void vkCmdSetDepthBounds (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    float                    minDepthBounds,
    float                    maxDepthBounds);
```

### 3.40.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *minDepthBounds* is the lower bound of the range of depth values used in the depth bounds test.
- *maxDepthBounds* is the upper bound of the range.

### 3.40.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BOUNDS` dynamic state enabled
- *minDepthBounds* must be between 0.0 and 1.0, inclusive
- *maxDepthBounds* must be between 0.0 and 1.0, inclusive

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.40.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer

#### 3.40.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetDepthBounds>

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### 3.41 vkCmdSetEvent(3)

#### 3.41.1 Name

vkCmdSetEvent - Set an event object to signaled state

#### 3.41.2 C Specification

The state of an event can also be updated on the device by commands inserted in command buffers. To set the state of an event to signaled from a device, call:

```
void vkCmdSetEvent (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkEvent                  event,
    VkPipelineStageFlags     stageMask);
```

#### 3.41.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *event* is the event that will be signaled.
- *stageMask* specifies the pipeline stage at which the state of *event* is updated as described below.

#### 3.41.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *event* must be a valid `VkEvent` handle
- *stageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
- *stageMask* must not be 0
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *event* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *stageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *stageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Outside           | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.41.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkEvent, VkPipelineStageFlags

#### 3.41.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetEvent>

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## 3.42 vkCmdSetLineWidth(3)

### 3.42.1 Name

vkCmdSetLineWidth - Set the dynamic line width state

### 3.42.2 C Specification

The line width is set by the *lineWidth* property of `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` in the currently active pipeline if the pipeline was not created with `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_LINE_WIDTH` enabled. Otherwise, the line width is set by calling **vkCmdSetLineWidth**:

```
void vkCmdSetLineWidth(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    float                    lineWidth);
```

### 3.42.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *lineWidth* is the width of rasterized line segments.

### 3.42.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_LINE_WIDTH` dynamic state enabled
- If the wide lines feature is not enabled, *lineWidth* must be 1.0

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

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### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.42.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer

#### 3.42.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetLineWidth>

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### 3.43 vkCmdSetScissor(3)

#### 3.43.1 Name

vkCmdSetScissor - Set the dynamic scissor rectangles on a command buffer

#### 3.43.2 C Specification

The scissor test determines if a fragment's framebuffer coordinates  $(x_f, y_f)$  lie within the scissor rectangle corresponding to the viewport index (see Controlling the Viewport) used by the primitive that generated the fragment. If the pipeline state object is created without `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_SCISSOR` enabled then the scissor rectangles are set by the `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo` state of the pipeline state object. Otherwise, to dynamically set the scissor rectangles call:

```
void vkCmdSetScissor(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 firstScissor,
    uint32_t                 scissorCount,
    const VkRect2D*          pScissors);
```

#### 3.43.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *firstScissor* is the index of the first scissor whose state is updated by the command.
- *scissorCount* is the number of scissors whose rectangles are updated by the command.
- *pScissors* is a pointer to an array of `VkRect2D` structures defining scissor rectangles.

#### 3.43.4 Description

The scissor rectangles taken from element *i* of *pScissors* replace the current state for the scissor index *firstScissor* + *i*, for *i* in  $[0, \text{scissorCount})$ .

Each scissor rectangle is described by a `VkRect2D` structure, with the *offset.x* and *offset.y* values determining the upper left corner of the scissor rectangle, and the *extent.width* and *extent.height* values determining the size in pixels.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *pScissors* must be a pointer to an array of *scissorCount* `VkRect2D` structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations

- *scissorCount* must be greater than 0
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_SCISSOR` dynamic state enabled
- *firstScissor* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports`
- The sum of *firstScissor* and *scissorCount* must be between 1 and `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports`, inclusive
- The *x* and *y* members of *offset* must be greater than or equal to 0
- Evaluation of  $(offset.x + extent.width)$  must not cause a signed integer addition overflow
- Evaluation of  $(offset.y + extent.height)$  must not cause a signed integer addition overflow

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.43.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkRect2D`

#### 3.43.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetScissor>

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## 3.44 vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask(3)

### 3.44.1 Name

vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask - Set the stencil compare mask dynamic state

### 3.44.2 C Specification

If the pipeline state object is created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_COMPARE_MASK` dynamic state enabled, then to dynamically set the stencil compare mask call:

```
void vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkStencilFaceFlags       faceMask,
    uint32_t                 compareMask);
```

### 3.44.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *faceMask* is a bitmask specifying the set of stencil state for which to update the compare mask. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkStencilFaceFlagBits {
    VK_STENCIL_FACE_FRONT_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_STENCIL_FACE_BACK_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_STENCIL_FRONT_AND_BACK = 0x00000003,
} VkStencilFaceFlagBits;
```

- `VK_STENCIL_FACE_FRONT_BIT` indicates that only the front set of stencil state is updated.
- `VK_STENCIL_FACE_BACK_BIT` indicates that only the back set of stencil state is updated.
- `VK_STENCIL_FRONT_AND_BACK` is the combination of `VK_STENCIL_FACE_FRONT_BIT` and `VK_STENCIL_FACE_BACK_BIT` and indicates that both sets of stencil state are updated.

- *compareMask* is the new value to use as the stencil compare mask.

### 3.44.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *faceMask* must be a valid combination of `VkStencilFaceFlagBits` values
- *faceMask* must not be 0
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state

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- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support graphics operations
  - The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_COMPARE_MASK` dynamic state enabled

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

#### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.44.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkStencilFaceFlags`

#### 3.44.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask>

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## 3.45 vkCmdSetStencilReference(3)

### 3.45.1 Name

vkCmdSetStencilReference - Set the stencil reference dynamic state

### 3.45.2 C Specification

If the pipeline state object is created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_REFERENCE` dynamic state enabled, then to dynamically set the stencil reference value call:

```
void vkCmdSetStencilReference(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkStencilFaceFlags        faceMask,
    uint32_t                  reference);
```

### 3.45.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *faceMask* is a bitmask of `VkStencilFaceFlagBits` specifying the set of stencil state for which to update the reference value, as described above for `vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask`.
- *reference* is the new value to use as the stencil reference value.

### 3.45.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *faceMask* must be a valid combination of `VkStencilFaceFlagBits` values
- *faceMask* must not be 0
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_REFERENCE` dynamic state enabled

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.45.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkStencilFaceFlags

#### 3.45.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetStencilReference>

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## 3.46 vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask(3)

### 3.46.1 Name

vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask - Set the stencil write mask dynamic state

### 3.46.2 C Specification

If the pipeline state object is created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_WRITE_MASK` dynamic state enabled, then to dynamically set the stencil write mask call:

```
void vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkStencilFaceFlags        faceMask,
    uint32_t                  writeMask);
```

### 3.46.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *faceMask* is a bitmask of `VkStencilFaceFlagBits` specifying the set of stencil state for which to update the write mask, as described above for `vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask`.
- *writeMask* is the new value to use as the stencil write mask.

### 3.46.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *faceMask* must be a valid combination of `VkStencilFaceFlagBits` values
- *faceMask* must not be 0
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics operations
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_WRITE_MASK` dynamic state enabled

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.46.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkStencilFaceFlags

#### 3.46.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask>

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## 3.47 vkCmdSetViewport(3)

### 3.47.1 Name

vkCmdSetViewport - Set the viewport on a command buffer

### 3.47.2 C Specification

If the bound pipeline state object was not created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_VIEWPORT` dynamic state enabled, viewport transformation parameters are specified using the `pViewports` member of `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo` in the pipeline state object. If the pipeline state object was created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_VIEWPORT` dynamic state enabled, the viewport transformation parameters are dynamically set and changed with the command:

```
void vkCmdSetViewport (
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 firstViewport,
    uint32_t                 viewportCount,
    const VkViewport*        pViewports);
```

### 3.47.3 Parameters

- `commandBuffer` is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- `firstViewport` is the index of the first viewport whose parameters are updated by the command.
- `viewportCount` is the number of viewports whose parameters are updated by the command.
- `pViewports` is a pointer to an array of `VkViewport` structures specifying viewport parameters.

### 3.47.4 Description

The viewport parameters taken from element  $i$  of `pViewports` replace the current state for the viewport index  $firstViewport + i$ , for  $i$  in  $[0, viewportCount)$ .

#### Valid Usage

- `commandBuffer` must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- `pViewports` must be a pointer to an array of `viewportCount` valid `VkViewport` structures
- `commandBuffer` must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support graphics operations
- `viewportCount` must be greater than 0
- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_VIEWPORT` dynamic state enabled

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- *firstViewport* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports`
  - The sum of *firstViewport* and *viewportCount* must be between 1 and `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports`, inclusive

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

#### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Both              | GRAPHICS              |

#### 3.47.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkViewport`

#### 3.47.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdSetViewport>

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## 3.48 vkCmdUpdateBuffer(3)

### 3.48.1 Name

vkCmdUpdateBuffer - Update a buffer's contents from host memory

### 3.48.2 C Specification

To update buffer data inline in a command buffer, call:

```
void vkCmdUpdateBuffer(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkBuffer                 dstBuffer,
    VkDeviceSize             dstOffset,
    VkDeviceSize             dataSize,
    const void*              pData);
```

### 3.48.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *dstBuffer* is a handle to the buffer to be updated.
- *dstOffset* is the byte offset into the buffer to start updating, and must be a multiple of 4.
- *dataSize* is the number of bytes to update, and must be a multiple of 4.
- *pData* is a pointer to the source data for the buffer update, and must be at least *dataSize* bytes in size.

### 3.48.4 Description

*dataSize* must be less than or equal to 65536 bytes. For larger updates, applications can use buffer to buffer copies.

The source data is copied from the user pointer to the command buffer when the command is called.

**vkCmdUpdateBuffer** is only allowed outside of a render pass. This command is treated as “transfer” operation, for the purposes of synchronization barriers. The `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` must be specified in *usage* of `VkBufferCreateInfo` in order for the buffer to be compatible with **vkCmdUpdateBuffer**.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *dstBuffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *pData* must be a pointer to an array of *dataSize* bytes
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state

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- The `VkCommandPool` that `commandBuffer` was allocated from must support transfer, graphics, or compute operations
  - This command must only be called outside of a render pass instance
  - `dataSize` must be greater than 0
  - Both of `commandBuffer`, and `dstBuffer` must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
  - `dstOffset` must be less than the size of `dstBuffer`
  - `dataSize` must be less than or equal to the size of `dstBuffer` minus `dstOffset`
  - `dstBuffer` must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage flag
  - `dstOffset` must be a multiple of 4
  - `dataSize` must be less than or equal to 65536
  - `dataSize` must be a multiple of 4

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to `commandBuffer` must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types           |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Primary<br>Secondary  | Outside           | TRANSFER<br>GRAPHICS<br>COMPUTE |

#### 3.48.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkCommandBuffer`, `VkDeviceSize`

#### 3.48.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at [URL](#)

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<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdUpdateBuffer>

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## 3.49 vkCmdWaitEvents(3)

### 3.49.1 Name

vkCmdWaitEvents - Wait for one or more events and insert a set of memory

### 3.49.2 C Specification

To wait for one or more events to enter the signaled state on a device, call:

```
void vkCmdWaitEvents(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    uint32_t                 eventCount,
    const VkEvent*           pEvents,
    VkPipelineStageFlags     srcStageMask,
    VkPipelineStageFlags     dstStageMask,
    uint32_t                 memoryBarrierCount,
    const VkMemoryBarrier*   pMemoryBarriers,
    uint32_t                 bufferMemoryBarrierCount,
    const VkBufferMemoryBarrier* pBufferMemoryBarriers,
    uint32_t                 imageMemoryBarrierCount,
    const VkImageMemoryBarrier* pImageMemoryBarriers);
```

### 3.49.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command is recorded.
- *eventCount* is the length of the *pEvents* array.
- *pEvents* is an array of event object handles to wait on.
- *srcStageMask* (see [?]) is the bitwise OR of the pipeline stages used to signal the event object handles in *pEvents*.
- *dstStageMask* is the pipeline stages at which the wait will occur.
- *pMemoryBarriers* is a pointer to an array of *memoryBarrierCount* *VkMemoryBarrier* structures.
- *pBufferMemoryBarriers* is a pointer to an array of *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* *VkBufferMemoryBarrier* structures.
- *pImageMemoryBarriers* is a pointer to an array of *imageMemoryBarrierCount* *VkImageMemoryBarrier* structures. See [?] for more details about memory barriers.

### 3.49.4 Description

**vkCmdWaitEvents** waits for events set by either **vkSetEvent** or **vkCmdSetEvent** to become signaled. Logically, it has three phases:

1. Wait at the pipeline stages specified by *dstStageMask* (see [?]) until the *eventCount* event objects specified by *pEvents* become signaled. Implementations may wait for each event object to become signaled in sequence (starting with the first event object in *pEvents*, and ending with the last), or wait for all of the event objects to become signaled at the same time.
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2. Execute the memory barriers specified by *pMemoryBarriers*, *pBufferMemoryBarriers* and *pImageMemoryBarriers* (see [?]).
3. Resume execution of pipeline stages specified by *dstStageMask*

Implementations may not execute commands in a pipelined manner, so **vkCmdWaitEvents** may not observe the results of a subsequent **vkCmdSetEvent** or **vkCmdResetEvent** command, even if the stages in *dstStageMask* occur after the stages in *srcStageMask*.

Commands that update the state of events in different pipeline stages may execute out of order, unless the ordering is enforced by execution dependencies.



#### Note

Applications should be careful to avoid race conditions when using events. For example, an event should only be reset if no **vkCmdWaitEvents** command is executing that waits upon that event.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *pEvents* must be a pointer to an array of *eventCount* valid `VkEvent` handles
- *srcStageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
- *srcStageMask* must not be 0
- *dstStageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
- *dstStageMask* must not be 0
- If *memoryBarrierCount* is not 0, *pMemoryBarriers* must be a pointer to an array of *memoryBarrierCount* valid `VkMemoryBarrier` structures
- If *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* is not 0, *pBufferMemoryBarriers* must be a pointer to an array of *bufferMemoryBarrierCount* valid `VkBufferMemoryBarrier` structures
- If *imageMemoryBarrierCount* is not 0, *pImageMemoryBarriers* must be a pointer to an array of *imageMemoryBarrierCount* valid `VkImageMemoryBarrier` structures
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- *eventCount* must be greater than 0
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and the elements of *pEvents* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *srcStageMask* must be the bitwise OR of the *stageMask* parameter used in previous calls to **vkCmdSetEvent** with any of the members of *pEvents* and `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_HOST_BIT` if any of the members of *pEvents* was set using **vkSetEvent**

- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *srcStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *dstStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *srcStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *dstStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
- If *pEvents* includes one or more events that will be signaled by **vkSetEvent** after *commandBuffer* has been submitted to a queue, then **vkCmdWaitEvents** must not be called inside a render pass instance

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.49.5 See Also

VkBufferMemoryBarrier, VkCommandBuffer, VkEvent, VkImageMemoryBarrier, VkMemoryBarrier, VkPipelineStageFlags

#### 3.49.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdWaitEvents>

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## 3.50 vkCmdWriteTimestamp(3)

### 3.50.1 Name

vkCmdWriteTimestamp - Write a device timestamp into a query object

### 3.50.2 C Specification

To request a timestamp, call:

```
void vkCmdWriteTimestamp(
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,
    VkPipelineStageFlagsBits pipelineStage,
    VkQueryPool              queryPool,
    uint32_t                 query);
```

### 3.50.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- *pipelineStage* is one of the *VkPipelineStageFlagsBits*, specifying a stage of the pipeline.
- *queryPool* is the query pool that will manage the timestamp.
- *query* is the query within the query pool that will contain the timestamp.

### 3.50.4 Description

**vkCmdWriteTimestamp** latches the value of the timer when all previous commands have completed executing as far as the specified pipeline stage, and writes the timestamp value to memory. When the timestamp value is written, the availability status of the query is set to available.



#### Note

If an implementation is unable to detect completion and latch the timer at any specific stage of the pipeline, it may instead do so at any logically later stage.

`vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults` can then be called to copy the timestamp value from the query pool into buffer memory, with ordering and synchronization behavior equivalent to how other queries operate. Timestamp values can also be retrieved from the query pool using `vkGetQueryPoolResults`. As with other queries, the query must be reset using `vkCmdResetQueryPool` before requesting the timestamp value be written to it.

While **vkCmdWriteTimestamp** can be called inside or outside of a render pass instance, `vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults` must only be called outside of a render pass instance.

#### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *pipelineStage* must be a valid `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` value
- *queryPool* must be a valid `VkQueryPool` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- The `VkCommandPool` that *commandBuffer* was allocated from must support graphics, or compute operations
- Both of *commandBuffer*, and *queryPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- The query identified by *queryPool* and *query* must be *unavailable*
- The command pool's queue family must support a non-zero *timestampValidBits*

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

#### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Primary               | Both              | GRAPHICS              |
| Secondary             |                   | COMPUTE               |

#### 3.50.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkPipelineStageFlagBits`, `VkQueryPool`

#### 3.50.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCmdWriteTimestamp>

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## 3.51 vkCreateBuffer(3)

### 3.51.1 Name

vkCreateBuffer - Create a new buffer object

### 3.51.2 C Specification

To create buffers, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateBuffer(  
    VkDevice                                device,  
    const VkBufferCreateInfo*               pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*           pAllocator,  
    VkBuffer*                               pBuffer);
```

### 3.51.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the buffer object.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkBufferCreateInfo` structure containing parameters affecting creation of the buffer.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pBuffer* points to a `VkBuffer` handle in which the resulting buffer object is returned.

### 3.51.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkBufferCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pBuffer* must be a pointer to a `VkBuffer` handle
- If the *flags* member of *pCreateInfo* includes `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT`, creating this `VkBuffer` must not cause the total required sparse memory for all currently valid sparse resources on the device to exceed `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::sparseAddressSpaceSize`

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.51.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkBuffer, VkBufferCreateInfo, VkDevice

### 3.51.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateBuffer>

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## 3.52 vkCreateBufferView(3)

### 3.52.1 Name

vkCreateBufferView - Create a new buffer view object

### 3.52.2 C Specification

To create a buffer view, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateBufferView(  
    VkDevice                                device,  
    const VkBufferViewCreateInfo*          pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*          pAllocator,  
    VkBufferView*                          pView);
```

### 3.52.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the buffer view.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkBufferViewCreateInfo` structure containing parameters to be used to create the buffer.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pView* points to a `VkBufferView` handle in which the resulting buffer view object is returned.

### 3.52.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkBufferViewCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pView* must be a pointer to a `VkBufferView` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.52.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkBufferView, VkBufferViewCreateInfo, VkDevice

**3.52.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateBufferView>

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## 3.53 vkCreateCommandPool(3)

### 3.53.1 Name

vkCreateCommandPool - Create a new command pool object

### 3.53.2 C Specification

To create a command pool, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateCommandPool(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkCommandPoolCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkCommandPool* pCommandPool);
```

### 3.53.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the command pool.
- *pCreateInfo* contains information used to create the command pool.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pCommandPool* points to a `VkCommandPool` handle in which the created pool is returned.

### 3.53.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkCommandPoolCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pCommandPool* must be a pointer to a `VkCommandPool` handle

#### Return Codes

##### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

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**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.53.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkCommandPool, VkCommandPoolCreateInfo, VkDevice

**3.53.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateCommandPool>

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## 3.54 vkCreateComputePipelines(3)

### 3.54.1 Name

vkCreateComputePipelines - Creates a new compute pipeline object

### 3.54.2 C Specification

To create compute pipelines, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateComputePipelines(  
    VkDevice                device,  
    VkPipelineCache         pipelineCache,  
    uint32_t                createInfoCount,  
    const VkComputePipelineCreateInfo* pCreateInfos,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkPipeline*              pPipelines);
```

### 3.54.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the compute pipelines.
- *pipelineCache* is either VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, indicating that pipeline caching is disabled; or the handle of a valid pipeline cache object, in which case use of that cache is enabled for the duration of the command.
- *createInfoCount* is the length of the *pCreateInfos* and *pPipelines* arrays.
- *pCreateInfos* is an array of *VkComputePipelineCreateInfo* structures.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pPipelines* is a pointer to an array in which the resulting compute pipeline objects are returned.

### 3.54.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid *VkDevice* handle
- If *pipelineCache* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *pipelineCache* must be a valid *VkPipelineCache* handle
- *pCreateInfos* must be a pointer to an array of *createInfoCount* valid *VkComputePipelineCreateInfo* structures
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid *VkAllocationCallbacks* structure
- *pPipelines* must be a pointer to an array of *createInfoCount* *VkPipeline* handles
- *createInfoCount* must be greater than 0

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- If *pipelineCache* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
  - If the *flags* member of any given element of *pCreateInfo*s contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and the *basePipelineIndex* member of that same element is not `-1`, *basePipelineIndex* must be less than the index into *pCreateInfo*s that corresponds to that element

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_INVALID_SHADER_NV`

### 3.54.5 See Also

`VkAllocationCallbacks`, `VkComputePipelineCreateInfo`, `VkDevice`, `VkPipeline`, `VkPipelineCache`

### 3.54.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateComputePipelines>

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## 3.55 vkCreateDescriptorPool(3)

### 3.55.1 Name

vkCreateDescriptorPool - Creates a descriptor pool object

### 3.55.2 C Specification

To create a descriptor pool object, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateDescriptorPool(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkDescriptorPool* pDescriptorPool);
```

### 3.55.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the descriptor pool.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo` structure specifying the state of the descriptor pool object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pDescriptorPool* points to a `VkDescriptorPool` handle in which the resulting descriptor pool object is returned.

### 3.55.4 Description

*pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

The created descriptor pool is returned in *pDescriptorPool*.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pDescriptorPool* must be a pointer to a `VkDescriptorPool` handle

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.55.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDescriptorPool, VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo, VkDevice

### 3.55.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateDescriptorPool>

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## 3.56 vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout(3)

### 3.56.1 Name

vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout - Create a new descriptor set layout

### 3.56.2 C Specification

To create descriptor set layout objects, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout (
    VkDevice                                device,
    const VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo*  pCreateInfo,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*           pAllocator,
    VkDescriptorSetLayout*                  pSetLayout);
```

### 3.56.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the descriptor set layout.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo` structure specifying the state of the descriptor set layout object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pSetLayout* points to a `VkDescriptorSetLayout` handle in which the resulting descriptor set layout object is returned.

### 3.56.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pSetLayout* must be a pointer to a `VkDescriptorSetLayout` handle

#### Return Codes

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**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.56.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDescriptorSetLayout, VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo, VkDevice

**3.56.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout>

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## 3.57 vkCreateDevice(3)

### 3.57.1 Name

vkCreateDevice - Create a new device instance

### 3.57.2 C Specification

A logical device is created as a *connection* to a physical device. To create a logical device, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateDevice(  
    VkPhysicalDevice          physicalDevice,  
    const VkDeviceCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkDevice*                 pDevice);
```

### 3.57.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* must be one of the device handles returned from a call to **vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices** (see Physical Device Enumeration).
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to a `VkDeviceCreateInfo` structure containing information about how to create the device.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pDevice* points to a handle in which the created `VkDevice` is returned.

### 3.57.4 Description

Multiple logical devices can be created from the same physical device. Logical device creation may fail due to lack of device-specific resources (in addition to the other errors). If that occurs, **vkCreateDevice** will return `VK_ERROR_TOO_MANY_OBJECTS`.

#### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkDeviceCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pDevice* must be a pointer to a `VkDevice` handle

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_INITIALIZATION\_FAILED
- VK\_ERROR\_EXTENSION\_NOT\_PRESENT
- VK\_ERROR\_FEATURE\_NOT\_PRESENT
- VK\_ERROR\_TOO\_MANY\_OBJECTS
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

### 3.57.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkDeviceCreateInfo, VkPhysicalDevice

### 3.57.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateDevice>

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## 3.58 vkCreateEvent(3)

### 3.58.1 Name

vkCreateEvent - Create a new event object

### 3.58.2 C Specification

To create an event, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateEvent (
    VkDevice                                device,
    const VkEventCreateInfo*                pCreateInfo,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*            pAllocator,
    VkEvent*                                 pEvent);
```

### 3.58.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the event.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkEventCreateInfo` structure which contains information about how the event is to be created.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pEvent* points to a handle in which the resulting event object is returned.

### 3.58.4 Description

When created, the event object is in the unsignaled state.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkEventCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pEvent* must be a pointer to a `VkEvent` handle

#### Return Codes

---

**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.58.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkEvent, VkEventCreateInfo

**3.58.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateEvent>

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## 3.59 vkCreateFence(3)

### 3.59.1 Name

vkCreateFence - Create a new fence object

### 3.59.2 C Specification

To create a new fence object, use the command

```
VkResult vkCreateFence(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkFenceCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkFence* pFence);
```

### 3.59.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the fence.
- *pCreateInfo* points to a `VkFenceCreateInfo` structure specifying the state of the fence object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pFence* points to a handle in which the resulting fence object is returned.

### 3.59.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkFenceCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pFence* must be a pointer to a `VkFence` handle

#### Return Codes

##### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

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**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.59.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkFence, VkFenceCreateInfo

**3.59.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateFence>

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## 3.60 vkCreateFramebuffer(3)

### 3.60.1 Name

vkCreateFramebuffer - Create a new framebuffer object

### 3.60.2 C Specification

To create a framebuffer, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateFramebuffer(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkFramebufferCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkFramebuffer* pFramebuffer);
```

### 3.60.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the framebuffer.
- *pCreateInfo* points to a `VkFramebufferCreateInfo` structure which describes additional information about framebuffer creation.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pFramebuffer* points to a `VkFramebuffer` handle in which the resulting framebuffer object is returned.

### 3.60.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkFramebufferCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pFramebuffer* must be a pointer to a `VkFramebuffer` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.60.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkFramebuffer, VkFramebufferCreateInfo

**3.60.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateFramebuffer>

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## 3.61 vkCreateGraphicsPipelines(3)

### 3.61.1 Name

vkCreateGraphicsPipelines - Create graphics pipelines

### 3.61.2 C Specification

To create graphics pipelines, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateGraphicsPipelines(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkPipelineCache   pipelineCache,  
    uint32_t          createInfoCount,  
    const VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo* pCreateInfos,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkPipeline*        pPipelines);
```

### 3.61.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the graphics pipelines.
- *pipelineCache* is either `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, indicating that pipeline caching is disabled; or the handle of a valid pipeline cache object, in which case use of that cache is enabled for the duration of the command.
- *createInfoCount* is the length of the *pCreateInfos* and *pPipelines* arrays.
- *pCreateInfos* is an array of `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo` structures.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pPipelines* is a pointer to an array in which the resulting graphics pipeline objects are returned.

### 3.61.4 Description

The `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo` structure includes an array of shader create info structures containing all the desired active shader stages, as well as creation info to define all relevant fixed-function stages, and a pipeline layout.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- If *pipelineCache* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *pipelineCache* must be a valid `VkPipelineCache` handle
- *pCreateInfos* must be a pointer to an array of *createInfoCount* valid `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo` structures
- If *pAllocator* is not `NULL`, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure

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- *pPipelines* must be a pointer to an array of *createInfoCount* `VkPipeline` handles
  - *createInfoCount* must be greater than 0
  - If *pipelineCache* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
  - If the *flags* member of any given element of *pCreateInfo*s contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and the *basePipelineIndex* member of that same element is not `-1`, *basePipelineIndex* must be less than the index into *pCreateInfo*s that corresponds to that element

## Return Codes

### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_INVALID_SHADER_NV`

### 3.61.5 See Also

`VkAllocationCallbacks`, `VkDevice`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipeline`, `VkPipelineCache`

### 3.61.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateGraphicsPipelines>

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## 3.62 vkCreateImage(3)

### 3.62.1 Name

vkCreateImage - Create a new image object

### 3.62.2 C Specification

To create images, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateImage(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkImageCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkImage* pImage);
```

### 3.62.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the image.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure containing parameters to be used to create the image.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pImage* points to a `VkImage` handle in which the resulting image object is returned.

### 3.62.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkImageCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pImage* must be a pointer to a `VkImage` handle
- If the *flags* member of *pCreateInfo* includes `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT`, creating this `VkImage` must not cause the total required sparse memory for all currently valid sparse resources on the device to exceed `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::sparseAddressSpaceSize`

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.62.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkImage, VkImageCreateInfo

### 3.62.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateImage>

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### 3.63 vkCreateImageView(3)

#### 3.63.1 Name

vkCreateImageView - Create an image view from an existing image

#### 3.63.2 C Specification

To create an image view, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateImageView(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkImageViewCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkImageView* pView);
```

#### 3.63.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the image view.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkImageViewCreateInfo` structure containing parameters to be used to create the image view.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pView* points to a `VkImageView` handle in which the resulting image view object is returned.

#### 3.63.4 Description

Some of the image creation parameters are inherited by the view. The remaining parameters are contained in the *pCreateInfo*.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkImageViewCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pView* must be a pointer to a `VkImageView` handle

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## **Return Codes**

### **Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

### **Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### **3.63.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkImageView, VkImageViewCreateInfo

### **3.63.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateImageView>

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## 3.64 vkCreateInstance(3)

### 3.64.1 Name

vkCreateInstance - Create a new Vulkan instance

### 3.64.2 C Specification

To create an instance object, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateInstance(  
    const VkInstanceCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkInstance* pInstance);
```

### 3.64.3 Parameters

- *pCreateInfo* points to an instance of `VkInstanceCreateInfo` controlling creation of the instance.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pInstance* points a `VkInstance` handle in which the resulting instance is returned.

### 3.64.4 Description

**vkCreateInstance** creates the instance, then enables and initializes global layers and extensions requested by the application. If an extension is provided by a layer, both the layer and extension must be specified at **vkCreateInstance** time. If a specified layer cannot be found, no `VkInstance` will be created and the function will return `VK_ERROR_LAYER_NOT_PRESENT`. Likewise, if a specified extension cannot be found the call will return `VK_ERROR_EXTENSION_NOT_PRESENT`.

#### Valid Usage

- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkInstanceCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pInstance* must be a pointer to a `VkInstance` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_INITIALIZATION\_FAILED
- VK\_ERROR\_LAYER\_NOT\_PRESENT
- VK\_ERROR\_EXTENSION\_NOT\_PRESENT
- VK\_ERROR\_INCOMPATIBLE\_DRIVER

**3.64.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkInstance, VkInstanceCreateInfo

**3.64.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateInstance>

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### 3.65 vkCreatePipelineCache(3)

#### 3.65.1 Name

vkCreatePipelineCache - Creates a new pipeline cache

#### 3.65.2 C Specification

To create pipeline cache objects, call:

```
VkResult vkCreatePipelineCache(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkPipelineCache* pPipelineCache);
```

#### 3.65.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the pipeline cache object.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to a `VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo` structure that contains the initial parameters for the pipeline cache object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pPipelineCache* is a pointer to a `VkPipelineCache` handle in which the resulting pipeline cache object is returned.

#### 3.65.4 Description



##### Note

Applications can track and manage the total host memory size of a pipeline cache object using the *pAllocator*. Applications can limit the amount of data retrieved from a pipeline cache object in **vkGetPipelineCacheData**. Implementations should not internally limit the total number of entries added to a pipeline cache object or the total host memory consumed.

Once created, a pipeline cache can be passed to the **vkCreateGraphicsPipelines** and **vkCreateComputePipelines** commands. If the pipeline cache passed into these commands is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, the implementation will query it for possible reuse opportunities and update it with new content. The use of the pipeline cache object in these commands is internally synchronized, and the same pipeline cache object can be used in multiple threads simultaneously.



##### Note

Implementations should make every effort to limit any critical sections to the actual accesses to the cache, which is expected to be significantly shorter than the duration of the **vkCreateGraphicsPipelines** and **vkCreateComputePipelines** commands.

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### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pPipelineCache* must be a pointer to a `VkPipelineCache` handle

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`

### 3.65.5 See Also

`VkAllocationCallbacks`, `VkDevice`, `VkPipelineCache`, `VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo`

### 3.65.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreatePipelineCache>

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## 3.66 vkCreatePipelineLayout(3)

### 3.66.1 Name

vkCreatePipelineLayout - Creates a new pipeline layout object

### 3.66.2 C Specification

To create a pipeline layout, call:

```
VkResult vkCreatePipelineLayout (
    VkDevice                                device,
    const VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo*       pCreateInfo,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*           pAllocator,
    VkPipelineLayout*                       pPipelineLayout);
```

### 3.66.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the pipeline layout.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo` structure specifying the state of the pipeline layout object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pPipelineLayout* points to a `VkPipelineLayout` handle in which the resulting pipeline layout object is returned.

### 3.66.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pPipelineLayout* must be a pointer to a `VkPipelineLayout` handle

#### Return Codes

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**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.66.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkPipelineLayout, VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo

**3.66.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreatePipelineLayout>

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## 3.67 vkCreateQueryPool(3)

### 3.67.1 Name

vkCreateQueryPool - Create a new query pool object

### 3.67.2 C Specification

To create a query pool, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateQueryPool(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkQueryPoolCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkQueryPool* pQueryPool);
```

### 3.67.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the query pool.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkQueryPoolCreateInfo` structure containing the number and type of queries to be managed by the pool.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pQueryPool* is a pointer to a `VkQueryPool` handle in which the resulting query pool object is returned.

### 3.67.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkQueryPoolCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pQueryPool* must be a pointer to a `VkQueryPool` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.67.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkQueryPool, VkQueryPoolCreateInfo

**3.67.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateQueryPool>

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## 3.68 vkCreateRenderPass(3)

### 3.68.1 Name

vkCreateRenderPass - Create a new render pass object

### 3.68.2 C Specification

To create a render pass, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateRenderPass(
    VkDevice                                device,
    const VkRenderPassCreateInfo*           pCreateInfo,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*           pAllocator,
    VkRenderPass*                           pRenderPass);
```

### 3.68.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the render pass.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkRenderPassCreateInfo` structure that describes the parameters of the render pass.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pRenderPass* points to a `VkRenderPass` handle in which the resulting render pass object is returned.

### 3.68.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkRenderPassCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pRenderPass* must be a pointer to a `VkRenderPass` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.68.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkRenderPass, VkRenderPassCreateInfo

**3.68.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateRenderPass>

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## 3.69 vkCreateSampler(3)

### 3.69.1 Name

vkCreateSampler - Create a new sampler object

### 3.69.2 C Specification

To create a sampler object, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateSampler(  
    VkDevice                                device,  
    const VkSamplerCreateInfo*              pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks*           pAllocator,  
    VkSampler*                              pSampler);
```

### 3.69.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the sampler.
- *pCreateInfo* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkSamplerCreateInfo` structure specifying the state of the sampler object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pSampler* points to a `VkSampler` handle in which the resulting sampler object is returned.

### 3.69.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkSamplerCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pSampler* must be a pointer to a `VkSampler` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_TOO\_MANY\_OBJECTS

**3.69.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkSampler, VkSamplerCreateInfo

**3.69.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateSampler>

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## 3.70 vkCreateSemaphore(3)

### 3.70.1 Name

vkCreateSemaphore - Create a new queue semaphore object

### 3.70.2 C Specification

To create a new semaphore object, use the command

```
VkResult vkCreateSemaphore(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkSemaphoreCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkSemaphore* pSemaphore);
```

### 3.70.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the semaphore.
- *pCreateInfo* points to a `VkSemaphoreCreateInfo` structure specifying the state of the semaphore object.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pSemaphore* points to a handle in which the resulting semaphore object is returned. The semaphore is created in the unsigned state.

### 3.70.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkSemaphoreCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pSemaphore* must be a pointer to a `VkSemaphore` handle

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.70.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkSemaphore, VkSemaphoreCreateInfo

**3.70.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateSemaphore>

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## 3.71 vkCreateShaderModule(3)

### 3.71.1 Name

vkCreateShaderModule - Creates a new shader module object

### 3.71.2 C Specification

To create a shader module, call:

```
VkResult vkCreateShaderModule(  
    VkDevice device,  
    const VkShaderModuleCreateInfo* pCreateInfo,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator,  
    VkShaderModule* pShaderModule);
```

### 3.71.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that creates the shader module.
- *pCreateInfo* parameter is a pointer to an instance of the `VkShaderModuleCreateInfo` structure.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.
- *pShaderModule* points to a `VkShaderModule` handle in which the resulting shader module object is returned.

### 3.71.4 Description

Once a shader module has been created, any entry points it contains can be used in pipeline shader stages as described in Compute Pipelines and Graphics Pipelines.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pCreateInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkShaderModuleCreateInfo` structure
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- *pShaderModule* must be a pointer to a `VkShaderModule` handle

#### Return Codes

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**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_INVALID\_SHADER\_NV

**3.71.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkShaderModule, VkShaderModuleCreateInfo

**3.71.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkCreateShaderModule>

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## 3.72 vkDestroyBuffer(3)

### 3.72.1 Name

vkDestroyBuffer - Destroy a buffer object

### 3.72.2 C Specification

To destroy a buffer, call:

```
void vkDestroyBuffer(
    VkDevice      device,
    VkBuffer       buffer,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.72.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the buffer.
- *buffer* is the buffer to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.72.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *buffer* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *buffer* must be a valid VkBuffer handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *buffer* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *buffer*, either directly or via a VkBufferView, must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *buffer* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *buffer* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *buffer* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.72.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkBuffer, VkDevice

#### 3.72.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyBuffer>

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### 3.73 vkDestroyBufferView(3)

#### 3.73.1 Name

vkDestroyBufferView - Destroy a buffer view object

#### 3.73.2 C Specification

To destroy a buffer view, call:

```
void vkDestroyBufferView(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkBufferView      bufferView,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

#### 3.73.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the buffer view.
- *bufferView* is the buffer view to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

#### 3.73.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *bufferView* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *bufferView* must be a valid VkBufferView handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *bufferView* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *bufferView* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *bufferView* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *bufferView* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *bufferView* must be externally synchronized

### 3.73.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkBufferView, VkDevice

### 3.73.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyBufferView>

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## 3.74 vkDestroyCommandPool(3)

### 3.74.1 Name

vkDestroyCommandPool - Destroy a command pool object

### 3.74.2 C Specification

To destroy a command pool, call:

```
void vkDestroyCommandPool (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkCommandPool     commandPool,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.74.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the command pool.
- *commandPool* is the handle of the command pool to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.74.4 Description

When a pool is destroyed, all command buffers allocated from the pool are implicitly freed and become invalid. Command buffers allocated from a given pool do not need to be freed before destroying that command pool.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- If *commandPool* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *commandPool* must be a valid `VkCommandPool` handle
- If *pAllocator* is not `NULL`, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- If *commandPool* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All `VkCommandBuffer` objects allocated from *commandPool* must not be pending execution
- If `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *commandPool* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *commandPool* was created, *pAllocator* must be `NULL`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandPool* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.74.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkCommandPool, VkDevice

#### 3.74.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyCommandPool>

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## 3.75 vkDestroyDescriptorPool(3)

### 3.75.1 Name

vkDestroyDescriptorPool - Destroy a descriptor pool object

### 3.75.2 C Specification

To destroy a descriptor pool, call:

```
void vkDestroyDescriptorPool(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkDescriptorPool   descriptorPool,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.75.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the descriptor pool.
- *descriptorPool* is the descriptor pool to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.75.4 Description

When a pool is destroyed, all descriptor sets allocated from the pool are implicitly freed and become invalid. Descriptor sets allocated from a given pool do not need to be freed before destroying that descriptor pool.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- If *descriptorPool* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *descriptorPool* must be a valid `VkDescriptorPool` handle
- If *pAllocator* is not `NULL`, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- If *descriptorPool* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *descriptorPool* (via any allocated descriptor sets) must have completed execution
- If `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *descriptorPool* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *descriptorPool* was created, *pAllocator* must be `NULL`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *descriptorPool* must be externally synchronized

### 3.75.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDescriptorPool, VkDevice

### 3.75.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyDescriptorPool>

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## 3.76 vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout(3)

### 3.76.1 Name

vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout - Destroy a descriptor set layout object

### 3.76.2 C Specification

To destroy a descriptor set layout, call:

```
void vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkDescriptorSetLayout descriptorSetLayout,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.76.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the descriptor set layout.
- *descriptorSetLayout* is the descriptor set layout to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.76.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *descriptorSetLayout* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *descriptorSetLayout* must be a valid VkDescriptorSetLayout handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *descriptorSetLayout* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *descriptorSetLayout* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *descriptorSetLayout* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *descriptorSetLayout* must be externally synchronized

### 3.76.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDescriptorSetLayout, VkDevice

### 3.76.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout>

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## 3.77 vkDestroyDevice(3)

### 3.77.1 Name

vkDestroyDevice - Destroy a logical device

### 3.77.2 C Specification

To destroy a device, call:

```
void vkDestroyDevice(
    VkDevice device,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.77.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.77.4 Description

To ensure that no work is active on the device, `vkDeviceWaitIdle` can be used to gate the destruction of the device. Prior to destroying a device, an application is responsible for destroying/freeing any Vulkan objects that were created using that device as the first parameter of the corresponding **vkCreate\*** or **vkAllocate\*** command.



#### Note

The lifetime of each of these objects is bound by the lifetime of the `VkDevice` object. Therefore, to avoid resource leaks, it is critical that an application explicitly free all of these resources prior to calling **vkDestroy Device**.

#### Valid Usage

- If *device* is not NULL, *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- All child objects created on *device* must have been destroyed prior to destroying *device*
- If `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *device* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *device* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *device* must be externally synchronized

### 3.77.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice

### 3.77.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyDevice>

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## 3.78 vkDestroyEvent(3)

### 3.78.1 Name

vkDestroyEvent - Destroy an event object

### 3.78.2 C Specification

To destroy an event, call:

```
void vkDestroyEvent (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkEvent           event,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.78.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the event.
- *event* is the handle of the event to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.78.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *event* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *event* must be a valid VkEvent handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *event* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *event* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *event* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *event* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *event* must be externally synchronized

### 3.78.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkEvent

### 3.78.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyEvent>

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## 3.79 vkDestroyFence(3)

### 3.79.1 Name

vkDestroyFence - Destroy a fence object

### 3.79.2 C Specification

To destroy a fence, call:

```
void vkDestroyFence(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkFence           fence,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.79.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the fence.
- *fence* is the handle of the fence to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.79.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *fence* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *fence* must be a valid VkFence handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *fence* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *fence* must not be associated with any queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *fence* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *fence* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *fence* must be externally synchronized

### 3.79.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkFence

### 3.79.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyFence>

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## 3.80 vkDestroyFramebuffer(3)

### 3.80.1 Name

vkDestroyFramebuffer - Destroy a framebuffer object

### 3.80.2 C Specification

To destroy a framebuffer, call:

```
void vkDestroyFramebuffer(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkFramebuffer     framebuffer,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.80.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the framebuffer.
- *framebuffer* is the handle of the framebuffer to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.80.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *framebuffer* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *framebuffer* must be a valid VkFramebuffer handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *framebuffer* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *framebuffer* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *framebuffer* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *framebuffer* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *framebuffer* must be externally synchronized

### 3.80.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkFramebuffer

### 3.80.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyFramebuffer>

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## 3.81 vkDestroyImage(3)

### 3.81.1 Name

vkDestroyImage - Destroy an image object

### 3.81.2 C Specification

To destroy an image, call:

```
void vkDestroyImage(
    VkDevice      device,
    VkImage       image,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.81.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the image.
- *image* is the image to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.81.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *image* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *image* must be a valid VkImage handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *image* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *image*, either directly or via a VkImageView, must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *image* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *image* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *image* must be externally synchronized

### 3.81.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkImage

### 3.81.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyImage>

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## 3.82 vkDestroyImageView(3)

### 3.82.1 Name

vkDestroyImageView - Destroy an image view object

### 3.82.2 C Specification

To destroy an image view, call:

```
void vkDestroyImageView(  
    VkDevice device,  
    VkImageView imageView,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.82.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the image view.
- *imageView* is the image view to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.82.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *imageView* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *imageView* must be a valid VkImageView handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *imageView* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *imageView* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *imageView* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *imageView* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *imageView* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.82.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkImageView

#### 3.82.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyImageView>

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### 3.83 vkDestroyInstance(3)

#### 3.83.1 Name

vkDestroyInstance - Destroy an instance of Vulkan

#### 3.83.2 C Specification

To destroy an instance, call:

```
void vkDestroyInstance(  
    VkInstance          instance,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

#### 3.83.3 Parameters

- *instance* is the handle of the instance to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

#### 3.83.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- If *instance* is not NULL, *instance* must be a valid VkInstance handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- All child objects created using *instance* must have been destroyed prior to destroying *instance*
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *instance* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *instance* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *instance* must be externally synchronized

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### **3.83.5 See Also**

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkInstance

### **3.83.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyInstance>

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## 3.84 vkDestroyPipeline(3)

### 3.84.1 Name

vkDestroyPipeline - Destroy a pipeline object

### 3.84.2 C Specification

To destroy a graphics or compute pipeline, call:

```
void vkDestroyPipeline(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkPipeline        pipeline,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.84.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the pipeline.
- *pipeline* is the handle of the pipeline to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.84.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *pipeline* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *pipeline* must be a valid VkPipeline handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *pipeline* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *pipeline* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *pipeline* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *pipeline* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *pipeline* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.84.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkPipeline

#### 3.84.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyPipeline>

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## 3.85 vkDestroyPipelineCache(3)

### 3.85.1 Name

vkDestroyPipelineCache - Destroy a pipeline cache object

### 3.85.2 C Specification

To destroy a pipeline cache, call:

```
void vkDestroyPipelineCache(  
    VkDevice device,  
    VkPipelineCache pipelineCache,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.85.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the pipeline cache object.
- *pipelineCache* is the handle of the pipeline cache to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.85.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *pipelineCache* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *pipelineCache* must be a valid VkPipelineCache handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *pipelineCache* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *pipelineCache* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *pipelineCache* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *pipelineCache* must be externally synchronized

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### 3.85.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkPipelineCache

### 3.85.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyPipelineCache>

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## 3.86 vkDestroyPipelineLayout(3)

### 3.86.1 Name

vkDestroyPipelineLayout - Destroy a pipeline layout object

### 3.86.2 C Specification

To destroy a pipeline layout, call:

```
void vkDestroyPipelineLayout (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkPipelineLayout  pipelineLayout,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.86.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the pipeline layout.
- *pipelineLayout* is the pipeline layout to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.86.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *pipelineLayout* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *pipelineLayout* must be a valid VkPipelineLayout handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *pipelineLayout* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *pipelineLayout* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *pipelineLayout* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *pipelineLayout* must be externally synchronized

### 3.86.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkPipelineLayout

### 3.86.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyPipelineLayout>

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## 3.87 vkDestroyQueryPool(3)

### 3.87.1 Name

vkDestroyQueryPool - Destroy a query pool object

### 3.87.2 C Specification

To destroy a query pool, call:

```
void vkDestroyQueryPool(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkQueryPool       queryPool,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.87.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the query pool.
- *queryPool* is the query pool to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.87.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *queryPool* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *queryPool* must be a valid VkQueryPool handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *queryPool* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *queryPool* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *queryPool* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *queryPool* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *queryPool* must be externally synchronized

### 3.87.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkQueryPool

### 3.87.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyQueryPool>

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## 3.88 vkDestroyRenderPass(3)

### 3.88.1 Name

vkDestroyRenderPass - Destroy a render pass object

### 3.88.2 C Specification

To destroy a render pass, call:

```
void vkDestroyRenderPass(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkRenderPass      renderPass,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.88.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the render pass.
- *renderPass* is the handle of the render pass to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.88.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *renderPass* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *renderPass* must be a valid VkRenderPass handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *renderPass* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *renderPass* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *renderPass* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *renderPass* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *renderPass* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.88.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkRenderPass

#### 3.88.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyRenderPass>

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## 3.89 vkDestroySampler(3)

### 3.89.1 Name

vkDestroySampler - Destroy a sampler object

### 3.89.2 C Specification

To destroy a sampler, call:

```
void vkDestroySampler(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkSampler         sampler,  
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.89.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the sampler.
- *sampler* is the sampler to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.89.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *sampler* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *sampler* must be a valid VkSampler handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *sampler* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *sampler* must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *sampler* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *sampler* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *sampler* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.89.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkSampler

#### 3.89.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroySampler>

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## 3.90 vkDestroySemaphore(3)

### 3.90.1 Name

vkDestroySemaphore - Destroy a semaphore object

### 3.90.2 C Specification

To destroy a semaphore, call:

```
void vkDestroySemaphore(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkSemaphore       semaphore,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.90.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the semaphore.
- *semaphore* is the handle of the semaphore to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.90.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If *semaphore* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *semaphore* must be a valid VkSemaphore handle
- If *pAllocator* is not NULL, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid VkAllocationCallbacks structure
- If *semaphore* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *semaphore* must not be associated with any queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *semaphore* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when *semaphore* was created, *pAllocator* must be NULL

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *semaphore* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.90.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkSemaphore

#### 3.90.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroySemaphore>

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## 3.91 vkDestroyShaderModule(3)

### 3.91.1 Name

vkDestroyShaderModule - Destroy a shader module module

### 3.91.2 C Specification

To destroy a shader module, call:

```
void vkDestroyShaderModule(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkShaderModule     shaderModule,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.91.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that destroys the shader module.
- *shaderModule* is the handle of the shader module to destroy.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.91.4 Description

A shader module can be destroyed while pipelines created using its shaders are still in use.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- If *shaderModule* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *shaderModule* must be a valid `VkShaderModule` handle
- If *pAllocator* is not `NULL`, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- If *shaderModule* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- If `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *shaderModule* was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no `VkAllocationCallbacks` were provided when *shaderModule* was created, *pAllocator* must be `NULL`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *shaderModule* must be externally synchronized

### 3.91.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkShaderModule

### 3.91.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDestroyShaderModule>

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## 3.92 vkDeviceWaitIdle(3)

### 3.92.1 Name

vkDeviceWaitIdle - Wait for a device to become idle

### 3.92.2 C Specification

To wait on the host for the completion of outstanding queue operations for all queues on a given logical device, call:

```
VkResult vkDeviceWaitIdle(  
    VkDevice device);
```

### 3.92.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device to idle.

### 3.92.4 Description

**vkDeviceWaitIdle** is equivalent to calling **vkQueueWaitIdle** for all queues owned by *device*.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle

#### Host Synchronization

- Host access to all VkQueue objects created from *device* must be externally synchronized

#### Return Codes

##### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

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**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

**3.92.5 See Also**

VkDevice

**3.92.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkDeviceWaitIdle>

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### 3.93 vkEndCommandBuffer(3)

#### 3.93.1 Name

vkEndCommandBuffer - Finish recording a command buffer

#### 3.93.2 C Specification

To complete recording of a command buffer, call:

```
VkResult vkEndCommandBuffer(  
    VkCommandBuffer  
                                commandBuffer);
```

#### 3.93.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer to complete recording. The command buffer must have been in the recording state, and is moved to the executable state.

#### 3.93.4 Description

If there was an error during recording, the application will be notified by an unsuccessful return code returned by **vkEndCommandBuffer**. If the application wishes to further use the command buffer, the command buffer must be reset.

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *commandBuffer* must be in the recording state
- If *commandBuffer* is a primary command buffer, there must not be an active render pass instance
- All queries made active during the recording of *commandBuffer* must have been made inactive

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

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## **Return Codes**

### **Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

### **Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### **3.93.5 See Also**

VkCommandBuffer

### **3.93.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkEndCommandBuffer>

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### 3.94 vkEnumerateDeviceExtensionProperties(3)

#### 3.94.1 Name

vkEnumerateDeviceExtensionProperties - Returns properties of available physical device extensions

#### 3.94.2 C Specification

To query the extensions available to a given physical device, call:

```
VkResult vkEnumerateDeviceExtensionProperties(
    VkPhysicalDevice      physicalDevice,
    const char*           pLayerName,
    uint32_t*             pPropertyCount,
    VkExtensionProperties* pProperties);
```

#### 3.94.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the physical device that will be queried.
- *pLayerName* is either NULL or a pointer to a null-terminated UTF-8 string naming the layer to retrieve extensions from.
- *pPropertyCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of extension properties available or queried, and is treated in the same fashion as the `vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties::pPropertyCount` parameter.
- *pProperties* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of `VkExtensionProperties` structures.

#### 3.94.4 Description

When *pLayerName* parameter is NULL, only extensions provided by the Vulkan implementation or by implicitly enabled layers are returned. When *pLayerName* is the name of a layer, the device extensions provided by that layer are returned.

##### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- If *pLayerName* is not NULL, *pLayerName* must be a null-terminated string
- *pPropertyCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value
- If the value referenced by *pPropertyCount* is not 0, and *pProperties* is not NULL, *pProperties* must be a pointer to an array of *pPropertyCount* `VkExtensionProperties` structures
- If *pLayerName* is not NULL, it must be the name of a layer returned by `vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties`

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
- VK\_INCOMPLETE

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_LAYER\_NOT\_PRESENT

### 3.94.5 See Also

VkExtensionProperties, VkPhysicalDevice

### 3.94.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkEnumerateDeviceExtensionProperties>

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### 3.95 vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties(3)

#### 3.95.1 Name

vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties - Returns properties of available physical device layers

#### 3.95.2 C Specification

To enumerate device layers, call:

```
VkResult vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties(
    VkPhysicalDevice      physicalDevice,
    uint32_t*             pPropertyCount,
    VkLayerProperties*     pProperties);
```

#### 3.95.3 Parameters

- *pPropertyCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of layer properties available or queried.
- *pProperties* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of `VkLayerProperties` structures.

#### 3.95.4 Description

If *pProperties* is NULL, then the number of layer properties available is returned in *pPropertyCount*. Otherwise, *pPropertyCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pProperties* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pProperties*. If *pPropertyCount* is less than the number of layer properties available, at most *pPropertyCount* structures will be written. If *pPropertyCount* is smaller than the number of layers available, `VK_INCOMPLETE` will be returned instead of `VK_SUCCESS`, to indicate that not all the available layer properties were returned.

The list of layers enumerated by **vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties** must be exactly the sequence of layers enabled for the instance. The members of `VkLayerProperties` for each enumerated layer must be the same as the properties when the layer was enumerated by **vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties**.

#### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *pPropertyCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value
- If the value referenced by *pPropertyCount* is not 0, and *pProperties* is not NULL, *pProperties* must be a pointer to an array of *pPropertyCount* `VkLayerProperties` structures

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
- VK\_INCOMPLETE

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.95.5 See Also

VkLayerProperties, VkPhysicalDevice

### 3.95.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties>

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## 3.96 vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties(3)

### 3.96.1 Name

vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties - Returns up to requested number of global extension properties

### 3.96.2 C Specification

To query the available instance extensions, call:

```
VkResult vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties(  
    const char*          pLayerName,  
    uint32_t*            pPropertyCount,  
    VkExtensionProperties* pProperties);
```

### 3.96.3 Parameters

- *pLayerName* is either NULL or a pointer to a null-terminated UTF-8 string naming the layer to retrieve extensions from.
- *pPropertyCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of extension properties available or queried, as described below.
- *pProperties* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of `VkExtensionProperties` structures.

### 3.96.4 Description

When *pLayerName* parameter is NULL, only extensions provided by the Vulkan implementation or by implicitly enabled layers are returned. When *pLayerName* is the name of a layer, the instance extensions provided by that layer are returned.

If *pProperties* is NULL, then the number of extensions properties available is returned in *pPropertyCount*. Otherwise, *pPropertyCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pProperties* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pProperties*. If *pPropertyCount* is less than the number of extension properties available, at most *pPropertyCount* structures will be written. If *pPropertyCount* is smaller than the number of extensions available, `VK_INCOMPLETE` will be returned instead of `VK_SUCCESS`, to indicate that not all the available properties were returned.

Because the list of available layers may change externally between calls to *vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties*, two calls may retrieve different results if a *pLayerName* is available in one call but not in another. The extensions supported by a layer may also change between two calls, e.g. if the layer implementation is replaced by a different version between those calls.

#### Valid Usage

- If *pLayerName* is not NULL, *pLayerName* must be a null-terminated string
- *pPropertyCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value

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- If the value referenced by *pPropertyCount* is not 0, and *pProperties* is not NULL, *pProperties* must be a pointer to an array of *pPropertyCount* `VkExtensionProperties` structures
  - If *pLayerName* is not NULL, it must be the name of a layer returned by `vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties`

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`
- `VK_INCOMPLETE`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_LAYER_NOT_PRESENT`

### 3.96.5 See Also

`VkExtensionProperties`

### 3.96.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties>

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### 3.97 vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties(3)

#### 3.97.1 Name

vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties - Returns up to requested number of global layer properties

#### 3.97.2 C Specification

To query the available layers, call:

```
VkResult vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties(
    uint32_t*          pPropertyCount,
    VkLayerProperties*  pProperties);
```

#### 3.97.3 Parameters

- *pPropertyCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of layer properties available or queried, as described below.
- *pProperties* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of `VkLayerProperties` structures.

#### 3.97.4 Description

If *pProperties* is NULL, then the number of layer properties available is returned in *pPropertyCount*. Otherwise, *pPropertyCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pProperties* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pProperties*. If *pPropertyCount* is less than the number of layer properties available, at most *pPropertyCount* structures will be written. If *pPropertyCount* is smaller than the number of layers available, `VK_INCOMPLETE` will be returned instead of `VK_SUCCESS`, to indicate that not all the available layer properties were returned.

The list of available layers may change at any time due to actions outside of the Vulkan implementation, so two calls to **vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties** with the same parameters may return different results, or retrieve different *pPropertyCount* values or *pProperties* contents. Once an instance has been created, the layers enabled for that instance will continue to be enabled and valid for the lifetime of that instance, even if some of them become unavailable for future instances.

#### Valid Usage

- *pPropertyCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value
- If the value referenced by *pPropertyCount* is not 0, and *pProperties* is not NULL, *pProperties* must be a pointer to an array of *pPropertyCount* `VkLayerProperties` structures

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
- VK\_INCOMPLETE

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.97.5 See Also

VkLayerProperties

### 3.97.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties>

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## 3.98 vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices(3)

### 3.98.1 Name

vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices - Enumerates the physical devices accessible to a Vulkan instance

### 3.98.2 C Specification

To retrieve a list of physical device objects representing the physical devices installed in the system, call:

```
VkResult vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices(  
    VkInstance          instance,  
    uint32_t*           pPhysicalDeviceCount,  
    VkPhysicalDevice*   pPhysicalDevices);
```

### 3.98.3 Parameters

- *instance* is a handle to a Vulkan instance previously created with **vkCreateInstance**.
- *pPhysicalDeviceCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of physical devices available or queried, as described below.
- *pPhysicalDevices* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of `VkPhysicalDevice` handles.

### 3.98.4 Description

If *pPhysicalDevices* is NULL, then the number of physical devices available is returned in *pPhysicalDeviceCount*. Otherwise, *pPhysicalDeviceCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pPhysicalDevices* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pPhysicalDevices*. If *pPhysicalDeviceCount* is less than the number of physical devices available, at most *pPhysicalDeviceCount* structures will be written. If *pPhysicalDeviceCount* is smaller than the number of physical devices available, `VK_INCOMPLETE` will be returned instead of `VK_SUCCESS`, to indicate that not all the available physical devices were returned.

#### Valid Usage

- *instance* must be a valid `VkInstance` handle
- *pPhysicalDeviceCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value
- If the value referenced by *pPhysicalDeviceCount* is not 0, and *pPhysicalDevices* is not NULL, *pPhysicalDevices* must be a pointer to an array of *pPhysicalDeviceCount* `VkPhysicalDevice` handles

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## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
- VK\_INCOMPLETE

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_INITIALIZATION\_FAILED

### 3.98.5 See Also

VkInstance, VkPhysicalDevice

### 3.98.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices>

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## 3.99 vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges(3)

### 3.99.1 Name

vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges - Flush mapped memory ranges

### 3.99.2 C Specification

To flush ranges of non-coherent memory from the host caches, call:

```
VkResult vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges (
    VkDevice          device,
    uint32_t          memoryRangeCount,
    const VkMappedMemoryRange* pMemoryRanges);
```

### 3.99.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory ranges.
- *memoryRangeCount* is the length of the *pMemoryRanges* array.
- *pMemoryRanges* is a pointer to an array of *VkMappedMemoryRange* structures describing the memory ranges to flush.

### 3.99.4 Description

**vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges** must be used to guarantee that host writes to non-coherent memory are visible to the device. It must be called after the host writes to non-coherent memory have completed and before command buffers that will read or write any of those memory locations are submitted to a queue.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid *VkDevice* handle
- *pMemoryRanges* must be a pointer to an array of *memoryRangeCount* valid *VkMappedMemoryRange* structures
- *memoryRangeCount* must be greater than 0

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.99.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkMappedMemoryRange

**3.99.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges>

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### 3.100 vkFreeCommandBuffers(3)

#### 3.100.1 Name

vkFreeCommandBuffers - Free command buffers

#### 3.100.2 C Specification

To free command buffers, call:

```
void vkFreeCommandBuffers(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkCommandPool     commandPool,
    uint32_t          commandBufferCount,
    const VkCommandBuffer* pCommandBuffers);
```

#### 3.100.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the command pool.
- *commandPool* is the handle of the command pool that the command buffers were allocated from.
- *commandBufferCount* is the length of the *pCommandBuffers* array.
- *pCommandBuffers* is an array of handles of command buffers to free.

#### 3.100.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *commandPool* must be a valid `VkCommandPool` handle
- *commandBufferCount* must be greater than 0
- *commandPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- Each element of *pCommandBuffers* that is a valid handle must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *commandPool*
- All elements of *pCommandBuffers* must not be pending execution
- *pCommandBuffers* must be a pointer to an array of *commandBufferCount* `VkCommandBuffer` handles, each element of which must either be a valid handle or **NULL**

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandPool* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to each member of *pCommandBuffers* must be externally synchronized

### 3.100.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkCommandPool, VkDevice

### 3.100.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkFreeCommandBuffers>

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### 3.101 vkFreeDescriptorSets(3)

#### 3.101.1 Name

vkFreeDescriptorSets - Free one or more descriptor sets

#### 3.101.2 C Specification

To free allocated descriptor sets, call:

```
VkResult vkFreeDescriptorSets(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkDescriptorPool   descriptorPool,  
    uint32_t          descriptorSetCount,  
    const VkDescriptorSet* pDescriptorSets);
```

#### 3.101.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the descriptor pool.
- *descriptorPool* is the descriptor pool from which the descriptor sets were allocated.
- *descriptorSetCount* is the number of elements in the *pDescriptorSets* array.
- *pDescriptorSets* is an array of handles to *VkDescriptorSet* objects.

#### 3.101.4 Description

After a successful call to **vkFreeDescriptorSets**, all descriptor sets in *pDescriptorSets* are invalid.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid *VkDevice* handle
- *descriptorPool* must be a valid *VkDescriptorPool* handle
- *descriptorSetCount* must be greater than 0
- *descriptorPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- Each element of *pDescriptorSets* that is a valid handle must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *descriptorPool*
- All submitted commands that refer to any element of *pDescriptorSets* must have completed execution
- *pDescriptorSets* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorSetCount* *VkDescriptorSet* handles, each element of which must either be a valid handle or *VK\_NULL\_HANDLE*
- Each valid handle in *pDescriptorSets* must have been allocated from *descriptorPool*
- *descriptorPool* must have been created with the *VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_POOL\_CREATE\_FREE\_DESCRIPTOR\_SET\_BIT* flag

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *descriptorPool* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to each member of *pDescriptorSets* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

#### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.101.5 See Also

VkDescriptorPool, VkDescriptorSet, VkDevice

### 3.101.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkFreeDescriptorSets>

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## 3.102 vkFreeMemory(3)

### 3.102.1 Name

vkFreeMemory - Free GPU memory

### 3.102.2 C Specification

To free a memory object, call:

```
void vkFreeMemory(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkDeviceMemory    memory,
    const VkAllocationCallbacks* pAllocator);
```

### 3.102.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory.
- *memory* is the `VkDeviceMemory` object to be freed.
- *pAllocator* controls host memory allocation as described in the Memory Allocation chapter.

### 3.102.4 Description

Before freeing a memory object, an application must ensure the memory object is no longer in use by the device—for example by command buffers queued for execution. The memory can remain bound to images or buffers at the time the memory object is freed, but any further use of them (on host or device) for anything other than destroying those objects will result in undefined behavior. If there are still any bound images or buffers, the memory may not be immediately released by the implementation, but must be released by the time all bound images and buffers have been destroyed. Once memory is released, it is returned to the heap from which it was allocated.

How memory objects are bound to Images and Buffers is described in detail in the Resource Memory Association section.

If a memory object is mapped at the time it is freed, it is implicitly unmapped.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- If *memory* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *memory* must be a valid `VkDeviceMemory` handle
- If *pAllocator* is not `NULL`, *pAllocator* must be a pointer to a valid `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure
- If *memory* is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All submitted commands that refer to *memory* (via images or buffers) must have completed execution

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *memory* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.102.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory

#### 3.102.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkFreeMemory>

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### 3.103 vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements(3)

#### 3.103.1 Name

vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements - Returns the memory requirements for specified Vulkan object

#### 3.103.2 C Specification

To determine the memory requirements for a buffer resource, call:

```
void vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkBuffer          buffer,
    VkMemoryRequirements* pMemoryRequirements);
```

#### 3.103.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the buffer.
- *buffer* is the buffer to query.
- *pMemoryRequirements* points to an instance of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure in which the memory requirements of the buffer object are returned.

#### 3.103.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *buffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *pMemoryRequirements* must be a pointer to a `VkMemoryRequirements` structure
- *buffer* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*

#### 3.103.5 See Also

VkBuffer, VkDevice, VkMemoryRequirements

#### 3.103.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements>

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### 3.104 vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment(3)

#### 3.104.1 Name

vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment - Query the current commitment for a VkDeviceMemory

#### 3.104.2 C Specification

To determine the amount of lazily-allocated memory that is currently committed for a memory object, call:

```
void vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkDeviceMemory    memory,
    VkDeviceSize*     pCommittedMemoryInBytes);
```

#### 3.104.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory.
- *memory* is the memory object being queried.
- *pCommittedMemoryInBytes* is a pointer to a VkDeviceSize value in which the number of bytes currently committed is returned, on success.

#### 3.104.4 Description

The implementation may update the commitment at any time, and the value returned by this query may be out of date.

The implementation guarantees to allocate any committed memory from the heapIndex indicated by the memory type that the memory object was created with.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- *memory* must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle
- *pCommittedMemoryInBytes* must be a pointer to a VkDeviceSize value
- *memory* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *memory* must have been created with a memory type that reports VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_LAZILY\_ALLOCATED\_BIT

#### 3.104.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize

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**3.104.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment>

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### 3.105 vkGetDeviceProcAddr(3)

#### 3.105.1 Name

vkGetDeviceProcAddr - Return a function pointer for a command

#### 3.105.2 C Specification

In order to support systems with multiple Vulkan implementations comprising heterogeneous collections of hardware and software, the function pointers returned by **vkGetInstanceProcAddr** may point to dispatch code, which calls a different real implementation for different *VkDevice* objects (and objects created from them). The overhead of this internal dispatch can be avoided by obtaining device-specific function pointers for any commands that use a device or device-child object as their dispatchable object. Such function pointers can be obtained with the command:

```
PFN_vkVoidFunction vkGetDeviceProcAddr(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    const char*       pName);
```

#### 3.105.3 Parameters

The table below defines the various use cases for **vkGetDeviceProcAddr** and expected return value for each case.

#### 3.105.4 Description

The returned function pointer is of type `PFN_vkVoidFunction`, and must be cast to the type of the command being queried.

Table 1: vkGetDeviceProcAddr behavior

| <i>device</i>  | <i>pName</i>                           | return value    |
|----------------|--|-----------------|
| NULL           | *                                      | undefined       |
| invalid device | *                                      | undefined       |
| device         | NULL                                   | undefined       |
| device         | core Vulkan command                    | fp <sup>1</sup> |
| device         | enabled extension commands             | fp <sup>1</sup> |
| device         | * (any <i>pName</i> not covered above) | NULL            |

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The returned function pointer must only be called with a dispatchable object (the first parameter) that is *device* or a child of *device*. e.g. *VkDevice*, *VkQueue*, or *VkCommandBuffer*.

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**Valid Usage**

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pName* must be a null-terminated string

**3.105.5 See Also**

`PFN_vkVoidFunction`, `VkDevice`

**3.105.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetDeviceProcAddr>

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## 3.106 vkGetDeviceQueue(3)

### 3.106.1 Name

vkGetDeviceQueue - Get a queue handle from a device

### 3.106.2 C Specification

To retrieve a handle to a VkQueue object, call:

```
void vkGetDeviceQueue (
    VkDevice          device,
    uint32_t          queueFamilyIndex,
    uint32_t          queueIndex,
    VkQueue*          pQueue) ;
```

### 3.106.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the queue.
- *queueFamilyIndex* is the index of the queue family to which the queue belongs.
- *queueIndex* is the index within this queue family of the queue to retrieve.
- *pQueue* is a pointer to a VkQueue object that will be filled with the handle for the requested queue.

### 3.106.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- *pQueue* must be a pointer to a VkQueue handle
- *queueFamilyIndex* must be one of the queue family indices specified when *device* was created, via the VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo structure
- *queueIndex* must be less than the number of queues created for the specified queue family index when *device* was created, via the *queueCount* member of the VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo structure

### 3.106.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkQueue

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**3.106.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetDeviceQueue>

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### 3.107 vkGetEventStatus(3)

#### 3.107.1 Name

vkGetEventStatus - Retrieve the status of an event object

#### 3.107.2 C Specification

To query the state of an event from the host, call:

```
VkResult vkGetEventStatus(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkEvent           event);
```

#### 3.107.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the event.
- *event* is the handle of the event to query.

#### 3.107.4 Description

Upon success, **vkGetEventStatus** returns the state of the event object with the following return codes:

Table 2: Event Object Status Codes

| Status         | Meaning  |
|----------------|--|
| VK_EVENT_SET   | The event specified by <i>event</i> is signaled.   |
| VK_EVENT_RESET | The event specified by <i>event</i> is unsignaled. |

If a **vkCmdSetEvent** or **vkCmdResetEvent** command is pending execution, then the value returned by this command may immediately be out of date.

The state of an event can be updated by the host. The state of the event is immediately changed, and subsequent calls to **vkGetEventStatus** will return the new state. If an event is already in the requested state, then updating it to the same state has no effect.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
  - *event* must be a valid `VkEvent` handle
  - *event* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
-

**Return Codes****Success**

- VK\_EVENT\_SET
- VK\_EVENT\_RESET

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

**3.107.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkEvent

**3.107.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetEventStatus>

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## 3.108 vkGetFenceStatus(3)

### 3.108.1 Name

vkGetFenceStatus - Return the status of a fence

### 3.108.2 C Specification

To query the status of a fence from the host, use the command

```
VkResult vkGetFenceStatus(  
    VkDevice      device,  
    VkFence       fence);
```

### 3.108.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the fence.
- *fence* is the handle of the fence to query.

### 3.108.4 Description

Upon success, **vkGetFenceStatus** returns the status of the fence, which is one of:

- VK\_SUCCESS indicates that the fence is signaled.
- VK\_NOT\_READY indicates that the fence is unsignaled.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- *fence* must be a valid VkFence handle
- *fence* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*

#### Return Codes

##### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
-

- VK\_NOT\_READY

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

**3.108.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkFence

**3.108.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetFenceStatus>

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## 3.109 vkGetImageMemoryRequirements(3)

### 3.109.1 Name

vkGetImageMemoryRequirements - Returns the memory requirements for specified Vulkan object

### 3.109.2 C Specification

To determine the memory requirements for an image resource, call:

```
void vkGetImageMemoryRequirements(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkImage           image,
    VkMemoryRequirements* pMemoryRequirements);
```

### 3.109.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the image.
- *image* is the image to query.
- *pMemoryRequirements* points to an instance of the `VkMemoryRequirements` structure in which the memory requirements of the image object are returned.

### 3.109.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *pMemoryRequirements* must be a pointer to a `VkMemoryRequirements` structure
- *image* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*

### 3.109.5 See Also

`VkDevice`, `VkImage`, `VkMemoryRequirements`

### 3.109.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetImageMemoryRequirements>

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### 3.110 vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements(3)

#### 3.110.1 Name

vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements - Query the memory requirements for a sparse image

#### 3.110.2 C Specification

To query sparse memory requirements for an image, call:

```
void vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkImage           image,
    uint32_t*         pSparseMemoryRequirementCount,
    VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements* pSparseMemoryRequirements);
```

#### 3.110.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the image.
- *image* is the `VkImage` object to get the memory requirements for.
- *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of sparse memory requirements available or queried, as described below.
- *pSparseMemoryRequirements* is either `NULL` or a pointer to an array of `VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements` structures.

#### 3.110.4 Description

If *pSparseMemoryRequirements* is `NULL`, then the number of sparse memory requirements available is returned in *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount*. Otherwise, *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pSparseMemoryRequirements* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pSparseMemoryRequirements*. If *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* is less than the number of sparse memory requirements available, at most *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* structures will be written.

If the image was not created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` then *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* will be set to zero and *pSparseMemoryRequirements* will not be written to.



#### Note

It is legal for an implementation to report a larger value in `VkMemoryRequirements::size` than would be obtained by adding together memory sizes for all `VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements` returned by **vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements**. This may occur when the hardware requires unused padding in the address range describing the resource.

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### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value
- If the value referenced by *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* is not 0, and *pSparseMemoryRequirements* is not NULL, *pSparseMemoryRequirements* must be a pointer to an array of *pSparseMemoryRequirementCount* `VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements` structures
- *image* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*

### 3.110.5 See Also

`VkDevice`, `VkImage`, `VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements`

### 3.110.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements>

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### 3.111 vkGetImageSubresourceLayout(3)

#### 3.111.1 Name

vkGetImageSubresourceLayout - Retrieve information about an image subresource

#### 3.111.2 C Specification

To query the host access layout of an image subresource, for an image created with linear tiling, call:

```
void vkGetImageSubresourceLayout (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkImage           image,
    const VkImageSubresource* pSubresource,
    VkSubresourceLayout* pLayout);
```

#### 3.111.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the image.
- *image* is the image whose layout is being queried.
- *pSubresource* is a pointer to a `VkImageSubresource` structure selecting a specific image for the image subresource.
- *pLayout* points to a `VkSubresourceLayout` structure in which the layout is returned.

#### 3.111.4 Description

vkGetImageSubresourceLayout is invariant for the lifetime of a single image.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *pSubresource* must be a pointer to a valid `VkImageSubresource` structure
- *pLayout* must be a pointer to a `VkSubresourceLayout` structure
- *image* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *image* must have been created with *tiling* equal to `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR`
- The *aspectMask* member of *pSubresource* must only have a single bit set

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### **3.111.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkImage, VkImageSubresource, VkSubresourceLayout

### **3.111.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetImageSubresourceLayout>

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### 3.112 vkGetInstanceProcAddr(3)

#### 3.112.1 Name

vkGetInstanceProcAddr - Return a function pointer for a command

#### 3.112.2 C Specification

Vulkan commands are not necessarily exposed statically on a platform. Function pointers for all Vulkan commands can be obtained with the command:

```
PFN_vkVoidFunction vkGetInstanceProcAddr (
    VkInstance          instance,
    const char*         pName);
```

#### 3.112.3 Parameters

- *instance* is the instance that the function pointer will be compatible with, or NULL for commands not dependent on any instance.
- *pName* is the name of the command to obtain.

#### 3.112.4 Description

**vkGetInstanceProcAddr** itself is obtained in a platform- and loader- specific manner. Typically, the loader library will export this command as a function symbol, so applications can link against the loader library, or load it dynamically and look up the symbol using platform-specific APIs. Loaders are encouraged to export function symbols for all other core Vulkan commands as well; if this is done, then applications that use only the core Vulkan commands have no need to use **vkGetInstanceProcAddr**.

The table below defines the various use cases for **vkGetInstanceProcAddr** and expected return value ("fp" is function pointer) for each case.

The returned function pointer is of type PFN\_vkVoidFunction, and must be cast to the type of the command being queried.

Table 3: vkGetInstanceProcAddr behavior

| <i>instance</i>  | <i>pName</i>                           | return value    |
|------------------|--|-----------------|
| *                | NULL                                   | undefined       |
| invalid instance | *                                      | undefined       |
| NULL             | vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties | fp              |
| NULL             | vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties     | fp              |
| NULL             | vkCreateInstance                       | fp              |
| NULL             | * (any <i>pName</i> not covered above) | NULL            |
| instance         | core Vulkan command                    | fp <sup>1</sup> |

Table 3: (continued)

| <i>instance</i> | <i>pName</i>   | return value    |
|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| instance        | enabled instance extension commands for <i>instance</i>              | fp <sup>1</sup> |
| instance        | available device extension <sup>2</sup> commands for <i>instance</i> | fp <sup>1</sup> |
| instance        | * (any <i>pName</i> not covered above)                               | NULL            |

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The returned function pointer must only be called with a dispatchable object (the first parameter) that is *instance* or a child of *instance*. e.g. *VkInstance*, *VkPhysicalDevice*, *VkDevice*, *VkQueue*, or *VkCommandBuffer*.

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An “available extension” is an extension function supported by any of the loader, driver or layer.

#### Valid Usage

- If *instance* is not NULL, *instance* must be a valid *VkInstance* handle
- *pName* must be a null-terminated string

#### 3.112.5 See Also

*PFN\_vkVoidFunction*, *VkInstance*

#### 3.112.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetInstanceProcAddr>

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### 3.113 vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures(3)

#### 3.113.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures - Reports capabilities of a physical device

#### 3.113.2 C Specification

To query supported features, call:

```
void vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures(  
    VkPhysicalDevice          physicalDevice,  
    VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures* pFeatures);
```

#### 3.113.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the physical device from which to query the supported features.
- *pFeatures* is a pointer to a `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures` structure in which the physical device features are returned. For each feature, a value of `VK_TRUE` indicates that the feature is supported on this physical device, and `VK_FALSE` indicates that the feature is not supported.

#### 3.113.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *pFeatures* must be a pointer to a `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures` structure

#### 3.113.5 See Also

`VkPhysicalDevice`, `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures`

#### 3.113.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures>

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### 3.114 vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties(3)

#### 3.114.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties - Lists physical device's format capabilities

#### 3.114.2 C Specification

To query supported format features which are properties of the physical device, call:

```
void vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties (
    VkPhysicalDevice      physicalDevice,
    VkFormat              format,
    VkFormatProperties*    pFormatProperties);
```

#### 3.114.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the physical device from which to query the format properties.
- *format* is the format whose properties are queried.
- *pFormatProperties* is a pointer to a `VkFormatProperties` structure in which physical device properties for *format* are returned.

#### 3.114.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *format* must be a valid `VkFormat` value
- *pFormatProperties* must be a pointer to a `VkFormatProperties` structure

#### 3.114.5 See Also

`VkFormat`, `VkFormatProperties`, `VkPhysicalDevice`

#### 3.114.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties>

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### 3.115 vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties(3)

#### 3.115.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties - Lists physical device's image format capabilities

#### 3.115.2 C Specification

To query additional capabilities specific to image types, call:

```
VkResult vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties(
    VkPhysicalDevice      physicalDevice,
    VkFormat              format,
    VkImageType           type,
    VkImageTiling         tiling,
    VkImageUsageFlags     usage,
    VkImageCreateFlags    flags,
    VkImageFormatProperties* pImageFormatProperties);
```

#### 3.115.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the physical device from which to query the image capabilities.
- *format* is the image format, corresponding to `VkImageCreateInfo::format`.
- *type* is the image type, corresponding to `VkImageCreateInfo::imageType`.
- *tiling* is the image tiling, corresponding to `VkImageCreateInfo::tiling`.
- *usage* is the intended usage of the image, corresponding to `VkImageCreateInfo::usage`.
- *flags* is a bitmask describing additional parameters of the image, corresponding to `VkImageCreateInfo::flags`.
- *pImageFormatProperties* points to an instance of the `VkImageFormatProperties` structure in which capabilities are returned.

#### 3.115.4 Description

The *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* parameters correspond to parameters that would be consumed by `vkCreateImage`.

If *format* is not a supported image format, or if the combination of *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* is not supported for images, then **vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties** returns `VK_ERROR_FORMAT_NOT_SUPPORTED`.

The limitations on an image format that are reported by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties** have the following property: if **usage1** and **usage2** of type `VkImageUsageFlags` are such that the bits set in **usage1** are a subset of the bits set in **usage2**, and **flags1** and **flags2** of type `VkImageCreateFlags` are such that the bits set in **flags1** are a subset of the bits set in **flags2**, then the limitations for **usage1** and **flags1** must be no more strict than the limitations for **usage2** and **flags2**, for all values of *format*, *type*, and *tiling*.

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### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *format* must be a valid `VkFormat` value
- *type* must be a valid `VkImageType` value
- *tiling* must be a valid `VkImageTiling` value
- *usage* must be a valid combination of `VkImageUsageFlagBits` values
- *usage* must not be 0
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkImageCreateFlagBits` values
- *pImageFormatProperties* must be a pointer to a `VkImageFormatProperties` structure

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_FORMAT_NOT_SUPPORTED`

### 3.115.5 See Also

`VkFormat`, `VkImageCreateFlags`, `VkImageFormatProperties`, `VkImageTiling`, `VkImageType`, `VkImageUsageFlags`, `VkPhysicalDevice`

### 3.115.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties>

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### 3.116 vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties(3)

#### 3.116.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties - Reports memory information for the specified physical device

#### 3.116.2 C Specification

To query memory properties, call:

```
void vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties (
    VkPhysicalDevice          physicalDevice,
    VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties* pMemoryProperties);
```

#### 3.116.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the handle to the device to query.
- *pMemoryProperties* points to an instance of `VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties` structure in which the properties are returned.

#### 3.116.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *pMemoryProperties* must be a pointer to a `VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties` structure

#### 3.116.5 See Also

`VkPhysicalDevice`, `VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties`

#### 3.116.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties>

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### 3.117 vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties(3)

#### 3.117.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties - Returns properties of a physical device

#### 3.117.2 C Specification

To query general properties of physical devices once enumerated, call:

```
void vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties(  
    VkPhysicalDevice          physicalDevice,  
    VkPhysicalDeviceProperties* pProperties);
```

#### 3.117.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the handle to the physical device whose properties will be queried.
- *pProperties* points to an instance of the `VkPhysicalDeviceProperties` structure, that will be filled with returned information.

#### 3.117.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *pProperties* must be a pointer to a `VkPhysicalDeviceProperties` structure

#### 3.117.5 See Also

`VkPhysicalDevice`, `VkPhysicalDeviceProperties`

#### 3.117.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties>

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### 3.118 vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties(3)

#### 3.118.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties - Reports properties of the queues of the specified physical device

#### 3.118.2 C Specification

To query properties of queues available on a physical device, call:

```
void vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties (
    VkPhysicalDevice          physicalDevice,
    uint32_t*                 pQueueFamilyPropertyCount,
    VkQueueFamilyProperties*   pQueueFamilyProperties);
```

#### 3.118.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the handle to the physical device whose properties will be queried.
- *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of queue families available or queried, as described below.
- *pQueueFamilyProperties* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of *VkQueueFamilyProperties* structures.

#### 3.118.4 Description

If *pQueueFamilyProperties* is NULL, then the number of queue families available is returned in *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount*. Otherwise, *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pQueueFamilyProperties* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pQueueFamilyProperties*. If *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* is less than the number of queue families available, at most *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* structures will be written.

##### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid *VkPhysicalDevice* handle
- *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* must be a pointer to a *uint32\_t* value
- If the value referenced by *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* is not 0, and *pQueueFamilyProperties* is not NULL, *pQueueFamilyProperties* must be a pointer to an array of *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* *VkQueueFamilyProperties* structures

#### 3.118.5 See Also

*VkPhysicalDevice*, *VkQueueFamilyProperties*

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### 3.118.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties>

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### 3.119 vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties(3)

#### 3.119.1 Name

vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties - Retrieve properties of an image format applied to sparse images

#### 3.119.2 C Specification

**vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties** returns an array of `VkSparseImageFormatProperties`. Each element will describe properties for one set of image aspects that are bound simultaneously in the image. This is usually one element for each aspect in the image, but for interleaved depth/stencil images there is only one element describing the combined aspects.

```
void vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties (
    VkPhysicalDevice      physicalDevice,
    VkFormat              format,
    VkImageType           type,
    VkSampleCountFlagBits samples,
    VkImageUsageFlags     usage,
    VkImageTiling         tiling,
    uint32_t*             pPropertyCount,
    VkSparseImageFormatProperties* pProperties);
```

#### 3.119.3 Parameters

- *physicalDevice* is the physical device from which to query the sparse image capabilities.
- *format* is the image format.
- *type* is the dimensionality of image.
- *samples* is the number of samples per pixel as defined in `VkSampleCountFlagBits`.
- *usage* is a bitmask describing the intended usage of the image.
- *tiling* is the tiling arrangement of the data elements in memory.
- *pPropertyCount* is a pointer to an integer related to the number of sparse format properties available or queried, as described below.
- *pProperties* is either NULL or a pointer to an array of `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structures.

#### 3.119.4 Description

If *pProperties* is NULL, then the number of sparse format properties available is returned in *pPropertyCount*. Otherwise, *pPropertyCount* must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the *pProperties* array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to *pProperties*. If *pPropertyCount* is less than the number of sparse format properties available, at most *pPropertyCount* structures will be written.

If `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` is not supported for the given arguments, *pPropertyCount* will be set to zero upon return, and no data will be written to *pProperties*.

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Multiple aspects are returned for depth/stencil images that are implemented as separate planes by the implementation. The depth and stencil data planes each have unique `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` data.

Depth/stencil images with depth and stencil data interleaved into a single plane will return a single `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structure with the *aspectMask* set to `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` | `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT`.

#### Valid Usage

- *physicalDevice* must be a valid `VkPhysicalDevice` handle
- *format* must be a valid `VkFormat` value
- *type* must be a valid `VkImageType` value
- *samples* must be a valid `VkSampleCountFlagBits` value
- *usage* must be a valid combination of `VkImageUsageFlagBits` values
- *usage* must not be 0
- *tiling* must be a valid `VkImageTiling` value
- *pPropertyCount* must be a pointer to a `uint32_t` value
- If the value referenced by *pPropertyCount* is not 0, and *pProperties* is not NULL, *pProperties* must be a pointer to an array of *pPropertyCount* `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structures
- *samples* must be a bit value that is set in `VkImageFormatProperties::sampleCounts` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, and *usage* equal to those in this command and *flags* equal to the value that is set in `sname::VkImageCreateInfo::pname::flags` when the image is created

#### 3.119.5 See Also

`VkFormat`, `VkImageTiling`, `VkImageType`, `VkImageUsageFlags`, `VkPhysicalDevice`, `VkSampleCountFlagBits`, `VkSparseImageFormatProperties`

#### 3.119.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/-vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties>

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### 3.120 vkGetPipelineCacheData(3)

#### 3.120.1 Name

vkGetPipelineCacheData - Get the data store from a pipeline cache

#### 3.120.2 C Specification

Data can be retrieved from a pipeline cache object using the command:

```
VkResult vkGetPipelineCacheData(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkPipelineCache   pipelineCache,
    size_t*           pDataSize,
    void*             pData);
```

#### 3.120.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the pipeline cache.
- *pipelineCache* is the pipeline cache to retrieve data from.
- *pDataSize* is a pointer to a value related to the amount of data in the pipeline cache, as described below.
- *pData* is either NULL or a pointer to a buffer.

#### 3.120.4 Description

If *pData* is NULL, then the maximum size of the data that can be retrieved from the pipeline cache, in bytes, is returned in *pDataSize*. Otherwise, *pDataSize* must point to a variable set by the user to the size of the buffer, in bytes, pointed to by *pData*, and on return the variable is overwritten with the amount of data actually written to *pData*.

If *pDataSize* is less than the maximum size that can be retrieved by the pipeline cache, at most *pDataSize* bytes will be written to *pData*, and **vkGetPipelineCacheData** will return VK\_INCOMPLETE. Any data written to *pData* is valid and can be provided as the *pInitialData* member of the **VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo** structure passed to **vkCreatePipelineCache**.

Two calls to **vkGetPipelineCacheData** with the same parameters must retrieve the same data unless a command that modifies the contents of the cache is called between them.

Applications can store the data retrieved from the pipeline cache, and use these data, possibly in a future run of the application, to populate new pipeline cache objects. The results of pipeline compiles, however, may depend on the vendor ID, device ID, driver version, and other details of the device. To enable applications to detect when previously retrieved data is incompatible with the device, the initial bytes written to *pData* must be a header consisting of the following members:

Table 4: Layout for pipeline cache header version VK\_PIPELINE\_CACHE\_HEADER\_VERSION\_ONE

| Offset | Size | Meaning   |
|--------|------|---|
| 0      | 4    | length in bytes of the entire pipeline cache header written as a stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first |

Table 4: (continued)

| Offset | Size                      | Meaning  |
|--------|---------------------------|--|
| 4      | 4                         | a <code>VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion</code> value written as a stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first                      |
| 8      | 4                         | a vendor ID equal to <code>VkPhysicalDeviceProperties::vendorID</code> written as a stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first |
| 12     | 4                         | a device ID equal to <code>VkPhysicalDeviceProperties::deviceID</code> written as a stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first |
| 16     | <code>VK_UUID_SIZE</code> | a pipeline cache ID equal to <code>VkPhysicalDeviceProperties::pipelineCacheUUID</code>  |

The first four bytes encode the length of the entire pipeline header, in bytes. This value includes all fields in the header including the pipeline cache version field and the size of the length field.

The next four bytes encode the pipeline cache version. This field is interpreted as a `VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion` value, and must have one of the following values:

```
typedef enum VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion {
    VK_PIPELINE_CACHE_HEADER_VERSION_ONE = 1,
} VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion;
```

A consumer of the pipeline cache should use the cache version to interpret the remainder of the cache header.

If `pDataSize` is less than what is necessary to store this header, nothing will be written to `pData` and zero will be written to `pDataSize`.

#### Valid Usage

- `device` must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- `pipelineCache` must be a valid `VkPipelineCache` handle
- `pDataSize` must be a pointer to a `size_t` value
- If the value referenced by `pDataSize` is not 0, and `pData` is not NULL, `pData` must be a pointer to an array of `pDataSize` bytes
- `pipelineCache` must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from `device`

#### Return Codes

**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS
- VK\_INCOMPLETE

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.120.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkPipelineCache

**3.120.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPipelineCacheData>

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## 3.121 vkGetQueryPoolResults(3)

### 3.121.1 Name

vkGetQueryPoolResults - Copy results of queries in a query pool to a host memory region

### 3.121.2 C Specification

To retrieve status and results for a set of queries, call:

```
VkResult vkGetQueryPoolResults(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkQueryPool       queryPool,  
    uint32_t          firstQuery,  
    uint32_t          queryCount,  
    size_t            dataSize,  
    void*             pData,  
    VkDeviceSize       stride,  
    VkQueryResultFlags flags);
```

### 3.121.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the query pool.
- *queryPool* is the query pool managing the queries containing the desired results.
- *firstQuery* is the initial query index.
- *queryCount* is the number of queries. *firstQuery* and *queryCount* together define a range of queries.
- *dataSize* is the size in bytes of the buffer pointed to by *pData*.
- *pData* is a pointer to a user-allocated buffer where the results will be written
- *stride* is the stride in bytes between results for individual queries within *pData*.
- *flags* is a bitmask of `VkQueryResultFlagBits` specifying how and when results are returned. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkQueryResultFlagBits {  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT = 0x00000008,  
} VkQueryResultFlagBits;
```

- `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` indicates the results will be written as an array of 64-bit unsigned integer values. If this bit is not set, the results will be written as an array of 32-bit unsigned integer values.
  - `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` indicates that Vulkan will wait for each query's status to become available before retrieving its results.
  - `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT` indicates that the availability status accompanies the results.
  - `VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT` indicates that returning partial results is acceptable.
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### 3.121.4 Description

If no bits are set in *flags*, and all requested queries are in the available state, results are written as an array of 32-bit unsigned integer values. The behavior when not all queries are available, is described below.

If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` is not set and the result overflows a 32-bit value, the value may either wrap or saturate. Similarly, if `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` is set and the result overflows a 64-bit value, the value may either wrap or saturate.

If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` is set, Vulkan will wait for each query to be in the available state before retrieving the numerical results for that query. In this case, **`vkGetQueryPoolResults`** is guaranteed to succeed and return `VK_SUCCESS` if the queries become available in a finite time (i.e. if they have been issued and not reset). If queries will never finish (e.g. due to being reset but not issued), then **`vkGetQueryPoolResults`** may not return in finite time.

If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` and `VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT` are both not set then no result values are written to *pData* for queries that are in the unavailable state at the time of the call, and **`vkGetQueryPoolResults`** returns `VK_NOT_READY`. However, availability state is still written to *pData* for those queries if `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT` is set.

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#### Note

Applications must take care to ensure that use of the `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` bit has the desired effect.



For example, if a query has been used previously and a command buffer records the commands **`vkCmdResetQueryPool`**, **`vkCmdBeginQuery`**, and **`vkCmdEndQuery`** for that query, then the query will remain in the available state until the **`vkCmdResetQueryPool`** command executes on a queue. Applications can use fences or events to ensure that a query has already been reset before checking for its results or availability status. Otherwise, a stale value could be returned from a previous use of the query.

The above also applies when `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` is used in combination with `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT`. In this case, the returned availability status may reflect the result of a previous use of the query unless the **`vkCmdResetQueryPool`** command has been executed since the last use of the query.



#### Note

Applications can double-buffer query pool usage, with a pool per frame, and reset queries at the end of the frame in which they are read.

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If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT` is set, `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT` is not set, and the query's status is unavailable, an intermediate result value between zero and the final result value is written to *pData* for that query.

`VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT` must not be used if the pool's *queryType* is `VK_QUERY_TYPE_TIMESTAMP`.

If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT` is set, the final integer value written for each query is non-zero if the query's status was available or zero if the status was unavailable. When `VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT` is used, implementations must guarantee that if they return a non-zero availability value then the numerical results must be valid, assuming the results are not reset by a subsequent command.



#### Note

Satisfying this guarantee may require careful ordering by the application, e.g. to read the availability status before reading the results.

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### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *queryPool* must be a valid `VkQueryPool` handle
- *pData* must be a pointer to an array of *dataSize* bytes
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkQueryResultFlagBits` values
- *dataSize* must be greater than 0
- *queryPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *firstQuery* must be less than the number of queries in *queryPool*
- If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` is not set in *flags* then *pData* and *stride* must be multiples of 4
- If `VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT` is set in *flags* then *pData* and *stride* must be multiples of 8
- The sum of *firstQuery* and *queryCount* must be less than or equal to the number of queries in *queryPool*
- *dataSize* must be large enough to contain the result of each query, as described here
- If the *queryType* used to create *queryPool* was `VK_QUERY_TYPE_TIMESTAMP`, *flags* must not contain `VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT`

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`
- `VK_NOT_READY`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_DEVICE_LOST`

### 3.121.5 See Also

`VkDevice`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkQueryPool`, `VkQueryResultFlags`

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**3.121.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetQueryPoolResults>

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## 3.122 vkGetRenderAreaGranularity(3)

### 3.122.1 Name

vkGetRenderAreaGranularity - Returns the granularity for optimal render area

### 3.122.2 C Specification

To query the render area granularity, call:

```
void vkGetRenderAreaGranularity(
    VkDevice          device,
    VkRenderPass      renderPass,
    VkExtent2D*       pGranularity);
```

### 3.122.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the render pass.
- *renderPass* is a handle to a render pass.
- *pGranularity* points to a `VkExtent2D` structure in which the granularity is returned.

### 3.122.4 Description

The conditions leading to an optimal *renderArea* are:

- the *offset.x* member in *renderArea* is a multiple of the *width* member of the returned `VkExtent2D` (the horizontal granularity).
- the *offset.y* member in *renderArea* is a multiple of the *height* of the returned `VkExtent2D` (the vertical granularity).
- either the *offset.width* member in *renderArea* is a multiple of the horizontal granularity or *offset.x+offset.width* is equal to the *width* of the *framebuffer* in the `VkRenderPassBeginInfo`.
- either the *offset.height* member in *renderArea* is a multiple of the vertical granularity or *offset.y+offset.height* is equal to the *height* of the *framebuffer* in the `VkRenderPassBeginInfo`.

Subpass dependencies are not affected by the render area, and apply to the entire image subresources attached to the framebuffer. Similarly, pipeline barriers are valid even if their effect extends outside the render area.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
  - *renderPass* must be a valid `VkRenderPass` handle
  - *pGranularity* must be a pointer to a `VkExtent2D` structure
  - *renderPass* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
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**3.122.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkExtent2D, VkRenderPass

**3.122.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetRenderAreaGranularity>

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### 3.123 vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges(3)

#### 3.123.1 Name

vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges - Invalidate ranges of mapped memory objects

#### 3.123.2 C Specification

To invalidate ranges of non-coherent memory from the host caches, call:

```
VkResult vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    uint32_t          memoryRangeCount,  
    const VkMappedMemoryRange* pMemoryRanges);
```

#### 3.123.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory ranges.
- *memoryRangeCount* is the length of the *pMemoryRanges* array.
- *pMemoryRanges* is a pointer to an array of `VkMappedMemoryRange` structures describing the memory ranges to invalidate.

#### 3.123.4 Description

**vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges** must be used to guarantee that device writes to non-coherent memory are visible to the host. It must be called after command buffers that execute and flush (via memory barriers) the device writes have completed, and before the host will read or write any of those locations. If a range of non-coherent memory is written by the host and then invalidated without first being flushed, its contents are undefined.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *pMemoryRanges* must be a pointer to an array of *memoryRangeCount* valid `VkMappedMemoryRange` structures
- *memoryRangeCount* must be greater than 0

##### Return Codes

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**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.123.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkMappedMemoryRange

**3.123.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges>

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## 3.124 vkMapMemory(3)

### 3.124.1 Name

vkMapMemory - Map a memory object into application address space

### 3.124.2 C Specification

To retrieve a host virtual address pointer to a region of a mappable memory object, call:

```
VkResult vkMapMemory(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkDeviceMemory    memory,  
    VkDeviceSize      offset,  
    VkDeviceSize      size,  
    VkMemoryMapFlags  flags,  
    void**            ppData);
```

### 3.124.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory.
- *memory* is the `VkDeviceMemory` object to be mapped.
- *offset* is a zero-based byte offset from the beginning of the memory object.
- *size* is the size of the memory range to map, or `VK_WHOLE_SIZE` to map from *offset* to the end of the allocation.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *ppData* points to a pointer in which is returned a host-accessible pointer to the beginning of the mapped range. This pointer minus *offset* must be aligned to at least `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minMemoryMapAlignment`.

### 3.124.4 Description

It is an application error to call **vkMapMemory** on a memory object that is already mapped.

**vkMapMemory** does not check whether the device memory is currently in use before returning the host-accessible pointer. The application must guarantee that any previously submitted command that writes to this range has completed before the host reads from or writes to that range, and that any previously submitted command that reads from that range has completed before the host writes to that region (see here for details on fulfilling such a guarantee). If the device memory was allocated without the `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT` set, these guarantees must be made for an extended range: the application must round down the start of the range to the nearest multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::nonCoherentAtomSize`, and round the end of the range up to the nearest multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::nonCoherentAtomSize`.

While a range of device memory is mapped for host access, the application is responsible for synchronizing both device and host access to that memory range.



#### Note

It is important for the application developer to become meticulously familiar with all of the mechanisms described in the chapter on Synchronization and Cache Control as they are crucial to maintaining memory access ordering.

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**Valid Usage**

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *memory* must be a valid `VkDeviceMemory` handle
- *flags* must be 0
- *ppData* must be a pointer to a pointer
- *memory* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *memory* must not currently be mapped
- *offset* must be less than the size of *memory*
- If *size* is not equal to `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, *size* must be greater than 0
- If *size* is not equal to `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, *size* must be less than or equal to the size of the *memory* minus *offset*
- *memory* must have been created with a memory type that reports `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT`

**Host Synchronization**

- Host access to *memory* must be externally synchronized

**Return Codes****Success**

- `VK_SUCCESS`

**Failure**

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_MEMORY_MAP_FAILED`

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### 3.124.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize, VkMemoryMapFlags

### 3.124.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkMapMemory>

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### 3.125 vkMergePipelineCaches(3)

#### 3.125.1 Name

vkMergePipelineCaches - Combine the data stores of pipeline caches

#### 3.125.2 C Specification

Pipeline cache objects can be merged using the command:

```
VkResult vkMergePipelineCaches(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkPipelineCache   dstCache,  
    uint32_t          srcCacheCount,  
    const VkPipelineCache* pSrcCaches);
```

#### 3.125.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the pipeline cache objects.
- *dstCache* is the handle of the pipeline cache to merge results into.
- *srcCacheCount* is the length of the *pSrcCaches* array.
- *pSrcCaches* is an array of pipeline cache handles, which will be merged into *dstCache*. The previous contents of *dstCache* are included after the merge.

#### 3.125.4 Description



##### Note

The details of the merge operation are implementation dependent, but implementations should merge the contents of the specified pipelines and prune duplicate entries.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *dstCache* must be a valid `VkPipelineCache` handle
- *pSrcCaches* must be a pointer to an array of *srcCacheCount* valid `VkPipelineCache` handles
- *srcCacheCount* must be greater than 0
- *dstCache* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- Each element of *pSrcCaches* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *dstCache* must not appear in the list of source caches

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *dstCache* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

#### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.125.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkPipelineCache

### 3.125.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkMergePipelineCaches>

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### 3.126 vkQueueBindSparse(3)

#### 3.126.1 Name

vkQueueBindSparse - Bind device memory to a sparse resource object

#### 3.126.2 C Specification

To submit sparse binding operations to a queue, call:

```
VkResult vkQueueBindSparse(  
    VkQueue                queue,  
    uint32_t               bindInfoCount,  
    const VkBindSparseInfo* pBindInfo,  
    VkFence                 fence);
```

#### 3.126.3 Parameters

- *queue* is the queue that the sparse binding operations will be submitted to.
- *bindInfoCount* is the number of elements in the *pBindInfo* array.
- *pBindInfo* is an array of `VkBindSparseInfo` structures, each specifying a sparse binding submission batch.
- *fence* is an optional handle to a fence to be signaled. If *fence* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, it defines a fence signal operation.

#### 3.126.4 Description

**vkQueueBindSparse** is a queue submission command, with each batch defined by an element of *pBindInfo* as an instance of the `VkBindSparseInfo` structure.

Within a batch, a given range of a resource must not be bound more than once. Across batches, if a range is to be bound to one allocation and offset and then to another allocation and offset, then the application must guarantee (usually using semaphores) that the binding operations are executed in the correct order, as well as to order binding operations against the execution of command buffer submissions.

As no operation to `vkQueueBindSparse` causes any pipeline stage to access memory, synchronization primitives used in this command effectively only define execution dependencies.

Additional information about fence and semaphore operation is described in the synchronization chapter.

#### Valid Usage

- *queue* must be a valid `VkQueue` handle
- If *bindInfoCount* is not 0, *pBindInfo* must be a pointer to an array of *bindInfoCount* valid `VkBindSparseInfo` structures

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- If *fence* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *fence* must be a valid VkFence handle
  - The *queue* must support sparse binding operations
  - Both of *fence*, and *queue* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice
  - *fence* must be unsignaled
  - *fence* must not be associated with any other queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *queue* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pBindInfo*[], *pWaitSemaphores*[] must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pBindInfo*[], *pSignalSemaphores*[] must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pBindInfo*[], *pBufferBinds*[], *buffer* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pBindInfo*[], *pImageOpaqueBinds*[], *image* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pBindInfo*[], *pImageBinds*[], *image* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *fence* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| -                     | -                 | SPARSE_BINDING        |

### Return Codes

#### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
-

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

**3.126.5 See Also**

VkBindSparseInfo, VkFence, VkQueue

**3.126.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkQueueBindSparse>

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### 3.127 vkQueueSubmit(3)

#### 3.127.1 Name

vkQueueSubmit - Submits a sequence of semaphores or command buffers to a queue

#### 3.127.2 C Specification

To submit command buffers to a queue, call:

```
VkResult vkQueueSubmit(  
    VkQueue             queue,  
    uint32_t            submitCount,  
    const VkSubmitInfo* pSubmits,  
    VkFence             fence);
```

#### 3.127.3 Parameters

- *queue* is the queue that the command buffers will be submitted to.
- *submitCount* is the number of elements in the *pSubmits* array.
- *pSubmits* is a pointer to an array of `VkSubmitInfo` structures, each specifying a command buffer submission batch.
- *fence* is an optional handle to a fence to be signaled. If *fence* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, it defines a fence signal operation.

#### 3.127.4 Description



##### Note

Submission can be a high overhead operation, and applications should attempt to batch work together into as few calls to **vkQueueSubmit** as possible.

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**vkQueueSubmit** is a queue submission command, with each batch defined by an element of *pSubmits* as an instance of the `VkSubmitInfo` structure.

Fence and semaphore operations submitted with `vkQueueSubmit` have additional ordering constraints compared to other submission commands, with dependencies involving previous and subsequent queue operations. Information about these additional constraints can be found in the semaphore and fence sections of the synchronization chapter.

Details on the interaction of *pWaitDstStageMask* with synchronization are described in the semaphore wait operation section of the synchronization chapter.

**Valid Usage**

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- *queue* must be a valid `VkQueue` handle
- If *submitCount* is not 0, *pSubmits* must be a pointer to an array of *submitCount* valid `VkSubmitInfo` structures
- If *fence* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *fence* must be a valid `VkFence` handle
- Both of *fence*, and *queue* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- If *fence* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *fence* must be unsignaled
- If *fence* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *fence* must not be associated with any other queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue

### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *queue* must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pSubmits*[], *pWaitSemaphores*[] must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pSubmits*[], *pSignalSemaphores*[] must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *fence* must be externally synchronized

### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| -                     | -                 | Any                   |

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- 
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
  - `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`
  - `VK_ERROR_DEVICE_LOST`

### 3.127.5 See Also

`VkFence`, `VkQueue`, `VkSubmitInfo`

### 3.127.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkQueueSubmit>

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### 3.128 vkQueueWaitIdle(3)

#### 3.128.1 Name

vkQueueWaitIdle - Wait for a queue to become idle

#### 3.128.2 C Specification

To wait on the host for the completion of outstanding queue operations for a given queue, call:

```
VkResult vkQueueWaitIdle(  
    VkQueue  
                                queue);
```

#### 3.128.3 Parameters

- *queue* is the queue on which to wait.

#### 3.128.4 Description

**vkQueueWaitIdle** is equivalent to submitting a fence to a queue and waiting with an infinite timeout for that fence to signal.

#### Valid Usage

- *queue* must be a valid `VkQueue` handle

#### Command Properties

| Command Buffer Levels | Render Pass Scope | Supported Queue Types |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| -                     | -                 | Any                   |

#### Return Codes

Success

- 
- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

**3.128.5 See Also**

VkQueue

**3.128.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkQueueWaitIdle>

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### 3.129 vkResetCommandBuffer(3)

#### 3.129.1 Name

vkResetCommandBuffer - Reset a command buffer

#### 3.129.2 C Specification

To reset command buffers, call:

```
VkResult vkResetCommandBuffer(  
    VkCommandBuffer          commandBuffer,  
    VkCommandBufferResetFlags flags);
```

#### 3.129.3 Parameters

- *commandBuffer* is the command buffer to reset. The command buffer can be in any state, and is put in the initial state.
- *flags* is a bitmask controlling the reset operation. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits {  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_RESET_RELEASE_RESOURCES_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits;
```

If *flags* includes `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_RESET_RELEASE_RESOURCES_BIT`, then most or all memory resources currently owned by the command buffer should be returned to the parent command pool. If this flag is not set, then the command buffer may hold onto memory resources and reuse them when recording commands.

#### 3.129.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *commandBuffer* must be a valid `VkCommandBuffer` handle
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits` values
- *commandBuffer* must not currently be pending execution
- *commandBuffer* must have been allocated from a pool that was created with the `VK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_RESET_COMMAND_BUFFER_BIT`

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandBuffer* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

#### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.129.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkCommandBufferResetFlags

### 3.129.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkResetCommandBuffer>

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### 3.130 vkResetCommandPool(3)

#### 3.130.1 Name

vkResetCommandPool - Reset a command pool

#### 3.130.2 C Specification

To reset a command pool, call:

```
VkResult vkResetCommandPool(  
    VkDevice device,  
    VkCommandPool commandPool,  
    VkCommandPoolResetFlags flags);
```

#### 3.130.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the command pool.
- *commandPool* is the command pool to reset.
- *flags* contains additional flags controlling the behavior of the reset. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits {  
    VK_COMMAND_POOL_RESET_RELEASE_RESOURCES_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits;
```

If *flags* includes `VK_COMMAND_POOL_RESET_RELEASE_RESOURCES_BIT`, resetting a command pool recycles all of the resources from the command pool back to the system.

#### 3.130.4 Description

Resetting a command pool recycles all of the resources from all of the command buffers allocated from the command pool back to the command pool. All command buffers that have been allocated from the command pool are put in the initial state.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *commandPool* must be a valid `VkCommandPool` handle
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits` values
- *commandPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All `VkCommandBuffer` objects allocated from *commandPool* must not currently be pending execution

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *commandPool* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

#### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.130.5 See Also

VkCommandPool, VkCommandPoolResetFlags, VkDevice

### 3.130.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkResetCommandPool>

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### 3.131 vkResetDescriptorPool(3)

#### 3.131.1 Name

vkResetDescriptorPool - Resets a descriptor pool object

#### 3.131.2 C Specification

To return all descriptor sets allocated from a given pool to the pool, rather than freeing individual descriptor sets, call:

```
VkResult vkResetDescriptorPool(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkDescriptorPool  descriptorPool,  
    VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags flags);
```

#### 3.131.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the descriptor pool.
- *descriptorPool* is the descriptor pool to be reset.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.

#### 3.131.4 Description

Resetting a descriptor pool recycles all of the resources from all of the descriptor sets allocated from the descriptor pool back to the descriptor pool, and the descriptor sets are implicitly freed.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *descriptorPool* must be a valid `VkDescriptorPool` handle
- *flags* must be 0
- *descriptorPool* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- All uses of *descriptorPool* (via any allocated descriptor sets) must have completed execution

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *descriptorPool* must be externally synchronized

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- Host access to any `VkDescriptorSet` objects allocated from *descriptorPool* must be externally synchronized

### Return Codes

#### Success

- `VK_SUCCESS`

#### Failure

- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY`
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY`

### 3.131.5 See Also

`VkDescriptorPool`, `VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags`, `VkDevice`

### 3.131.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkResetDescriptorPool>

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### 3.132 vkResetEvent(3)

#### 3.132.1 Name

vkResetEvent - Reset an event to non-signaled state

#### 3.132.2 C Specification

To set the state of an event to unsignaled from the host, call:

```
VkResult vkResetEvent (
    VkDevice          device,
    VkEvent           event);
```

#### 3.132.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the event.
- *event* is the event to reset.

#### 3.132.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *event* must be a valid `VkEvent` handle
- *event* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *event* must not be waited on by a **vkCmdWaitEvents** command that is currently executing

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *event* must be externally synchronized

---

## Return Codes

### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### 3.132.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkEvent

### 3.132.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkResetEvent>

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### 3.133 vkResetFences(3)

#### 3.133.1 Name

vkResetFences - Resets one or more fence objects

#### 3.133.2 C Specification

To reset the status of one or more fences to the unsignaled state, use the command:

```
VkResult vkResetFences (
    VkDevice          device,
    uint32_t          fenceCount,
    const VkFence*    pFences);
```

#### 3.133.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the fences.
- *fenceCount* is the number of fences to reset.
- *pFences* is a pointer to an array of *fenceCount* fence handles to reset.

#### 3.133.4 Description

If a fence is already in the unsignaled state, then resetting it has no effect.

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- *pFences* must be a pointer to an array of *fenceCount* valid VkFence handles
- *fenceCount* must be greater than 0
- Each element of *pFences* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- Any given element of *pFences* must not currently be associated with any queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to each member of *pFences* must be externally synchronized

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## **Return Codes**

### **Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

### **Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

### **3.133.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkFence

### **3.133.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkResetFences>

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### 3.134 vkSetEvent(3)

#### 3.134.1 Name

vkSetEvent - Set an event to signaled state

#### 3.134.2 C Specification

To set the state of an event to signaled from the host, call:

```
VkResult vkSetEvent(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkEvent           event);
```

#### 3.134.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the event.
- *event* is the event to set.

#### 3.134.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *event* must be a valid `VkEvent` handle
- *event* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *event* must be externally synchronized

##### Return Codes

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**Success**

- VK\_SUCCESS

**Failure**

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY

**3.134.5 See Also**

VkDevice, VkEvent

**3.134.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkSetEvent>

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### 3.135 vkUnmapMemory(3)

#### 3.135.1 Name

vkUnmapMemory - Unmap a previously mapped memory object

#### 3.135.2 C Specification

To unmap a memory object once host access to it is no longer needed by the application, call:

```
void vkUnmapMemory(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    VkDeviceMemory    memory);
```

#### 3.135.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the memory.
- *memory* is the memory object to be unmapped.

#### 3.135.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid `VkDevice` handle
- *memory* must be a valid `VkDeviceMemory` handle
- *memory* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*
- *memory* must currently be mapped

##### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *memory* must be externally synchronized

#### 3.135.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory

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### 3.135.6 Document Notes

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<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkUnmapMemory>

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### 3.136 vkUpdateDescriptorSets(3)

#### 3.136.1 Name

vkUpdateDescriptorSets - Update the contents of a descriptor set object

#### 3.136.2 C Specification

Once allocated, descriptor sets can be updated with a combination of write and copy operations. To update descriptor sets, call:

```
void vkUpdateDescriptorSets (
    VkDevice          device,
    uint32_t          descriptorWriteCount,
    const VkWriteDescriptorSet* pDescriptorWrites,
    uint32_t          descriptorCopyCount,
    const VkCopyDescriptorSet* pDescriptorCopies);
```

#### 3.136.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that updates the descriptor sets.
- *descriptorWriteCount* is the number of elements in the *pDescriptorWrites* array.
- *pDescriptorWrites* is a pointer to an array of *VkWriteDescriptorSet* structures describing the descriptor sets to write to.
- *descriptorCopyCount* is the number of elements in the *pDescriptorCopies* array.
- *pDescriptorCopies* is a pointer to an array of *VkCopyDescriptorSet* structures describing the descriptor sets to copy between.

#### 3.136.4 Description

The operations described by *pDescriptorWrites* are performed first, followed by the operations described by *pDescriptorCopies*. Within each array, the operations are performed in the order they appear in the array.

Each element in the *pDescriptorWrites* array describes an operation updating the descriptor set using descriptors for resources specified in the structure.

Each element in the *pDescriptorCopies* array is a *VkCopyDescriptorSet* structure describing an operation copying descriptors between sets.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid *VkDevice* handle
- If *descriptorWriteCount* is not 0, *pDescriptorWrites* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorWriteCount* valid *VkWriteDescriptorSet* structures
- If *descriptorCopyCount* is not 0, *pDescriptorCopies* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorCopyCount* valid *VkCopyDescriptorSet* structures

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### Host Synchronization

- Host access to *pDescriptorWrites*[],dstSet must be externally synchronized
- Host access to *pDescriptorCopies*[],dstSet must be externally synchronized

### 3.136.5 See Also

VkCopyDescriptorSet, VkDevice, VkWriteDescriptorSet

### 3.136.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkUpdateDescriptorSets>

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### 3.137 vkWaitForFences(3)

#### 3.137.1 Name

vkWaitForFences - Wait for one or more fences to become signaled

#### 3.137.2 C Specification

To cause the host to wait until any one or all of a group of fences is signaled, use the command:

```
VkResult vkWaitForFences(  
    VkDevice          device,  
    uint32_t          fenceCount,  
    const VkFence*    pFences,  
    VkBool32          waitAll,  
    uint64_t          timeout);
```

#### 3.137.3 Parameters

- *device* is the logical device that owns the fences.
- *fenceCount* is the number of fences to wait on.
- *pFences* is a pointer to an array of *fenceCount* fence handles.
- *waitAll* is the condition that must be satisfied to successfully unblock the wait. If *waitAll* is VK\_TRUE, then the condition is that all fences in *pFences* are signaled. Otherwise, the condition is that at least one fence in *pFences* is signaled.
- *timeout* is the timeout period in units of nanoseconds. *timeout* is adjusted to the closest value allowed by the implementation-dependent timeout accuracy, which may be substantially longer than one nanosecond, and may be longer than the requested period.

#### 3.137.4 Description

If the condition is satisfied when **vkWaitForFences** is called, then **vkWaitForFences** returns immediately. If the condition is not satisfied at the time **vkWaitForFences** is called, then **vkWaitForFences** will block and wait up to *timeout* nanoseconds for the condition to become satisfied.

If *timeout* is zero, then **vkWaitForFences** does not wait, but simply returns the current state of the fences. VK\_TIMEOUT will be returned in this case if the condition is not satisfied, even though no actual wait was performed.

If the specified timeout period expires before the condition is satisfied, **vkWaitForFences** returns VK\_TIMEOUT. If the condition is satisfied before *timeout* nanoseconds has expired, **vkWaitForFences** returns VK\_SUCCESS.

**vkWaitForFences** defines the second half of a memory dependency with the host, for each fence being waited on. The memory dependency defined by signaling a fence and waiting on the host does not guarantee that the results of memory accesses will be visible to the host, or that the memory is available. To provide that guarantee, the application must insert a memory barrier between the device writes and the end of the submission that will signal the fence, with *dstAccessMask* having the VK\_ACCESS\_HOST\_READ\_BIT bit set, with *dstStageMask* having the VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_HOST\_BIT bit set, and with the appropriate *srcStageMask* and *srcAccessMask* members set to guarantee completion of the writes. If the memory was allocated without the VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_HOST\_

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COHERENT\_BIT set, then **vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges** must be called after the fence is signaled in order to ensure the writes are visible to the host, as described in Host Access to Device Memory Objects.

#### Valid Usage

- *device* must be a valid VkDevice handle
- *pFences* must be a pointer to an array of *fenceCount* valid VkFence handles
- *fenceCount* must be greater than 0
- Each element of *pFences* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from *device*

#### Return Codes

##### Success

- VK\_SUCCESS
- VK\_TIMEOUT

##### Failure

- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_HOST\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_OUT\_OF\_DEVICE\_MEMORY
- VK\_ERROR\_DEVICE\_LOST

#### 3.137.5 See Also

VkBool32, VkDevice, VkFence

#### 3.137.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkWaitForFences>

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## 4 Object Handles

### 4.1 VkBuffer(3)

#### 4.1.1 Name

VkBuffer - Opaque handle to a buffer object

#### 4.1.2 C Specification

Buffers represent linear arrays of data which are used for various purposes by binding them to a graphics or compute pipeline via descriptor sets or via certain commands, or by directly specifying them as parameters to certain commands.

Buffers are represented by `VkBuffer` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkBuffer)
```

#### 4.1.3 Description

#### 4.1.4 See Also

`VkBufferMemoryBarrier`, `VkBufferViewCreateInfo`, `VkDescriptorBufferInfo`,  
`VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo`, `vkBindBufferMemory`, `vkCmdBindIndexBuffer`,  
`vkCmdBindVertexBuffers`, `vkCmdCopyBuffer`, `vkCmdCopyBufferToImage`,  
`vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer`, `vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults`, `vkCmdDispatchIndirect`,  
`vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect`, `vkCmdDrawIndirect`, `vkCmdFillBuffer`, `vkCmdUpdateBuffer`,  
`vkCreateBuffer`, `vkDestroyBuffer`, `vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements`

#### 4.1.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBuffer>

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## 4.2 VkBufferView(3)

### 4.2.1 Name

VkBufferView - Opaque handle to a buffer view object

### 4.2.2 C Specification

A *buffer view* represents a contiguous range of a buffer and a specific format to be used to interpret the data. Buffer views are used to enable shaders to access buffer contents interpreted as formatted data. In order to create a valid buffer view, the buffer must have been created with at least one of the following usage flags:

- VK\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_UNIFORM\_TEXEL\_BUFFER\_BIT
- VK\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_STORAGE\_TEXEL\_BUFFER\_BIT

Buffer views are represented by VkBufferView handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkBufferView)
```

### 4.2.3 Description

### 4.2.4 See Also

VkWriteDescriptorSet, vkCreateBufferView, vkDestroyBufferView

### 4.2.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferView>

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## 4.3 VkCommandBuffer(3)

### 4.3.1 Name

VkCommandBuffer - Opaque handle to a command buffer object

### 4.3.2 C Specification

Command buffers are objects used to record commands which can be subsequently submitted to a device queue for execution. There are two levels of command buffers - *primary command buffers*, which can execute secondary command buffers, and which are submitted to queues, and *secondary command buffers*, which can be executed by primary command buffers, and which are not directly submitted to queues.

Command buffers are represented by `VkCommandBuffer` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_HANDLE(VkCommandBuffer)
```

### 4.3.3 Description

### 4.3.4 See Also

`VkSubmitInfo`, `vkAllocateCommandBuffers`, `vkBeginCommandBuffer`, `vkCmdBeginQuery`, `vkCmdBeginRenderPass`, `vkCmdBindDescriptorSets`, `vkCmdBindIndexBuffer`, `vkCmdBindPipeline`, `vkCmdBindVertexBuffers`, `vkCmdBlitImage`, `vkCmdClearAttachments`, `vkCmdClearColorImage`, `vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage`, `vkCmdCopyBuffer`, `vkCmdCopyBufferToImage`, `vkCmdCopyImage`, `vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer`, `vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults`, `vkCmdDispatch`, `vkCmdDispatchIndirect`, `vkCmdDraw`, `vkCmdDrawIndexed`, `vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect`, `vkCmdDrawIndirect`, `vkCmdEndQuery`, `vkCmdEndRenderPass`, `vkCmdExecuteCommands`, `vkCmdFillBuffer`, `vkCmdNextSubpass`, `vkCmdPipelineBarrier`, `vkCmdPushConstants`, `vkCmdResetEvent`, `vkCmdResetQueryPool`, `vkCmdResolveImage`, `vkCmdSetBlendConstants`, `vkCmdSetDepthBias`, `vkCmdSetDepthBounds`, `vkCmdSetEvent`, `vkCmdSetLineWidth`, `vkCmdSetScissor`, `vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask`, `vkCmdSetStencilReference`, `vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask`, `vkCmdSetViewport`, `vkCmdUpdateBuffer`, `vkCmdWaitEvents`, `vkCmdWriteTimestamp`, `vkEndCommandBuffer`, `vkFreeCommandBuffers`, `vkResetCommandBuffer`

### 4.3.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBuffer>

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## 4.4 VkCommandPool(3)

### 4.4.1 Name

VkCommandPool - Opaque handle to a command pool object

### 4.4.2 C Specification

Command pools are opaque objects that command buffer memory is allocated from, and which allow the implementation to amortize the cost of resource creation across multiple command buffers. Command pools are application-synchronized, meaning that a command pool must not be used concurrently in multiple threads. That includes use via recording commands on any command buffers allocated from the pool, as well as operations that allocate, free, and reset command buffers or the pool itself.

Command pools are represented by VkCommandPool handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkCommandPool)
```

### 4.4.3 Description

### 4.4.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo, vkCreateCommandPool, vkDestroyCommandPool, vkFreeCommandBuffers, vkResetCommandPool

### 4.4.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandPool>

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## 4.5 VkDescriptorPool(3)

### 4.5.1 Name

VkDescriptorPool - Opaque handle to a descriptor pool object

### 4.5.2 C Specification

A *descriptor pool* maintains a pool of descriptors, from which descriptor sets are allocated. Descriptor pools are externally synchronized, meaning that the application must not allocate and/or free descriptor sets from the same pool in multiple threads simultaneously.

Descriptor pools are represented by VkDescriptorPool handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkDescriptorPool)
```

### 4.5.3 Description

### 4.5.4 See Also

VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo, vkCreateDescriptorPool, vkDestroyDescriptorPool, vkFreeDescriptorSets, vkResetDescriptorPool

### 4.5.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorPool>

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## 4.6 VkDescriptorSet(3)

### 4.6.1 Name

VkDescriptorSet - Opaque handle to a descriptor set object

### 4.6.2 C Specification

Descriptor sets are allocated from descriptor pool objects, and are represented by VkDescriptorSet handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkDescriptorSet)
```

### 4.6.3 Description

### 4.6.4 See Also

VkCopyDescriptorSet, VkWriteDescriptorSet, vkAllocateDescriptorSets, vkCmdBindDescriptorSets, vkFreeDescriptorSets

### 4.6.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorSet>

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## 4.7 VkDescriptorSetLayout(3)

### 4.7.1 Name

VkDescriptorSetLayout - Opaque handle to a descriptor set layout object

### 4.7.2 C Specification

A descriptor set layout object is defined by an array of zero or more descriptor bindings. Each individual descriptor binding is specified by a descriptor type, a count (array size) of the number of descriptors in the binding, a set of shader stages that can access the binding, and (if using immutable samplers) an array of sampler descriptors.

Descriptor set layout objects are represented by `VkDescriptorSetLayout` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkDescriptorSetLayout)
```

### 4.7.3 Description

### 4.7.4 See Also

`VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo`, `VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo`,  
`vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout`, `vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout`

### 4.7.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorSetLayout>

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## 4.8 VkDevice(3)

### 4.8.1 Name

VkDevice - Opaque handle to a device object

### 4.8.2 C Specification

Logical devices are represented by VkDevice handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_HANDLE(VkDevice)
```

### 4.8.3 Description

### 4.8.4 See Also

vkAllocateCommandBuffers, vkAllocateDescriptorSets, vkAllocateMemory, vkBindBufferMemory, vkBindImageMemory, vkCreateBuffer, vkCreateBufferView, vkCreateCommandPool, vkCreateComputePipelines, vkCreateDescriptorPool, vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout, vkCreateDevice, vkCreateEvent, vkCreateFence, vkCreateFramebuffer, vkCreateGraphicsPipelines, vkCreateImage, vkCreateImageView, vkCreatePipelineCache, vkCreatePipelineLayout, vkCreateQueryPool, vkCreateRenderPass, vkCreateSampler, vkCreateSemaphore, vkCreateShaderModule, vkDestroyBuffer, vkDestroyBufferView, vkDestroyCommandPool, vkDestroyDescriptorPool, vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout, vkDestroyDevice, vkDestroyEvent, vkDestroyFence, vkDestroyFramebuffer, vkDestroyImage, vkDestroyImageView, vkDestroyPipeline, vkDestroyPipelineCache, vkDestroyPipelineLayout, vkDestroyQueryPool, vkDestroyRenderPass, vkDestroySampler, vkDestroySemaphore, vkDestroyShaderModule, vkDeviceWaitIdle, vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges, vkFreeCommandBuffers, vkFreeDescriptorSets, vkFreeMemory, vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements, vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment, vkGetDeviceProcAddr, vkGetDeviceQueue, vkGetEventStatus, vkGetFenceStatus, vkGetImageMemoryRequirements, vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements, vkGetImageSubresourceLayout, vkGetPipelineCacheData, vkGetQueryPoolResults, vkGetRenderAreaGranularity, vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges, vkMapMemory, vkMergePipelineCaches, vkResetCommandPool, vkResetDescriptorPool, vkResetEvent, vkResetFences, vkSetEvent, vkUnmapMemory, vkUpdateDescriptorSets, vkWaitForFences

### 4.8.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDevice>

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## 4.9 VkDeviceMemory(3)

### 4.9.1 Name

VkDeviceMemory - Opaque handle to a device memory object

### 4.9.2 C Specification

A Vulkan device operates on data in device memory via memory objects that are represented in the API by a `VkDeviceMemory` handle.

Memory objects are represented by `VkDeviceMemory` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkDeviceMemory)
```

### 4.9.3 Description

### 4.9.4 See Also

`VkMappedMemoryRange`, `VkSparseImageMemoryBind`, `VkSparseMemoryBind`, `vkAllocateMemory`, `vkBindBufferMemory`, `vkBindImageMemory`, `vkFreeMemory`, `vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment`, `vkMapMemory`, `vkUnmapMemory`

### 4.9.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDeviceMemory>

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## 4.10 VkEvent(3)

### 4.10.1 Name

VkEvent - Opaque handle to a event object

### 4.10.2 C Specification

Events represent a fine-grained synchronization primitive that can be used to gauge progress through a sequence of commands executed on a queue by Vulkan. An event is initially in the unsignaled state. It can be signaled by a device, using commands inserted into the command buffer, or by the host. It can also be reset to the unsignaled state by a device or the host. The host can query the state of an event. A device can wait for one or more events to become signaled.

Events are represented by `VkEvent` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkEvent)
```

### 4.10.3 Description

### 4.10.4 See Also

`vkCmdResetEvent`, `vkCmdSetEvent`, `vkCmdWaitEvents`, `vkCreateEvent`, `vkDestroyEvent`, `vkGetEventStatus`, `vkResetEvent`, `vkSetEvent`

### 4.10.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkEvent>

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## 4.11 VkFence(3)

### 4.11.1 Name

VkFence - Opaque handle to a fence object

### 4.11.2 C Specification

Fences can be used by the host to determine completion of execution of *queue operations*.

A fence's status is always either *signaled* or *unsignaled*. The host can poll the status of a single fence, or wait for any or all of a group of fences to become signaled.

Fences are represented by `VkFence` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkFence)
```

### 4.11.3 Description

### 4.11.4 See Also

`vkCreateFence`, `vkDestroyFence`, `vkGetFenceStatus`, `vkQueueBindSparse`, `vkQueueSubmit`, `vkResetFences`, `vkWaitForFences`

### 4.11.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFence>

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## 4.12 VkFramebuffer(3)

### 4.12.1 Name

VkFramebuffer - Opaque handle to a framebuffer object

### 4.12.2 C Specification

Render passes operate in conjunction with *framebuffers*. Framebuffers represent a collection of specific memory attachments that a render pass instance uses.

Framebuffers are represented by `VkFramebuffer` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkFramebuffer)
```

### 4.12.3 Description

### 4.12.4 See Also

`VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo`, `VkRenderPassBeginInfo`, `vkCreateFramebuffer`, `vkDestroyFramebuffer`

### 4.12.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFramebuffer>

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## 4.13 VkImage(3)

### 4.13.1 Name

VkImage - Opaque handle to a image object

### 4.13.2 C Specification

Images represent multidimensional - up to 3 - arrays of data which can be used for various purposes (e.g. attachments, textures), by binding them to a graphics or compute pipeline via descriptor sets, or by directly specifying them as parameters to certain commands.

Images are represented by `VkImage` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkImage)
```

### 4.13.3 Description

### 4.13.4 See Also

`VkImageMemoryBarrier`, `VkImageViewCreateInfo`, `VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo`, `VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo`, `vkBindImageMemory`, `vkCmdBlitImage`, `vkCmdClearColorImage`, `vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage`, `vkCmdCopyBufferToImage`, `vkCmdCopyImage`, `vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer`, `vkCmdResolveImage`, `vkCreateImage`, `vkDestroyImage`, `vkGetImageMemoryRequirements`, `vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements`, `vkGetImageSubresourceLayout`

### 4.13.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImage>

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## 4.14 VkImageView(3)

### 4.14.1 Name

VkImageView - Opaque handle to a image view object

### 4.14.2 C Specification

Image objects are not directly accessed by pipeline shaders for reading or writing image data. Instead, *image views* representing contiguous ranges of the image subresources and containing additional metadata are used for that purpose. Views must be created on images of compatible types, and must represent a valid subset of image subresources.

Image views are represented by VkImageView handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkImageView)
```

### 4.14.3 Description

### 4.14.4 See Also

VkDescriptorImageInfo, VkFramebufferCreateInfo, vkCreateImageView, vkDestroyImageView

### 4.14.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageView>

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## 4.15 VkInstance(3)

### 4.15.1 Name

VkInstance - Opaque handle to a instance object

### 4.15.2 C Specification

There is no global state in Vulkan and all per-application state is stored in a `VkInstance` object. Creating a `VkInstance` object initializes the Vulkan library and allows the application to pass information about itself to the implementation.

Instances are represented by `VkInstance` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_HANDLE(VkInstance)
```

### 4.15.3 Description

### 4.15.4 See Also

`vkCreateInstance`, `vkDestroyInstance`, `vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices`,  
`vkGetInstanceProcAddr`

### 4.15.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkInstance>

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## 4.16 VkPhysicalDevice(3)

### 4.16.1 Name

VkPhysicalDevice - Opaque handle to a physical device object

### 4.16.2 C Specification

Vulkan separates the concept of *physical* and *logical* devices. A physical device usually represents a single device in a system (perhaps made up of several individual hardware devices working together), of which there are a finite number. A logical device represents an application's view of the device.

Physical devices are represented by VkPhysicalDevice handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_HANDLE(VkPhysicalDevice)
```

### 4.16.3 Description

### 4.16.4 See Also

vkCreateDevice, vkEnumerateDeviceExtensionProperties,  
vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties, vkEnumeratePhysicalDevices,  
vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures, vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties,  
vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties, vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties,  
vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties, vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties,  
vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties

### 4.16.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDevice>

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## 4.17 VkPipeline(3)

### 4.17.1 Name

VkPipeline - Opaque handle to a pipeline object

### 4.17.2 C Specification

Compute and graphics pipelines are each represented by VkPipeline handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkPipeline)
```

### 4.17.3 Description

### 4.17.4 See Also

VkComputePipelineCreateInfo, VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, vkCmdBindPipeline, vkCreateComputePipelines, vkCreateGraphicsPipelines, vkDestroyPipeline

### 4.17.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipeline>

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## 4.18 VkPipelineCache(3)

### 4.18.1 Name

VkPipelineCache - Opaque handle to a pipeline cache object

### 4.18.2 C Specification

Pipeline cache objects allow the result of pipeline construction to be reused between pipelines and between runs of an application. Reuse between pipelines is achieved by passing the same pipeline cache object when creating multiple related pipelines. Reuse across runs of an application is achieved by retrieving pipeline cache contents in one run of an application, saving the contents, and using them to preinitialize a pipeline cache on a subsequent run. The contents of the pipeline cache objects are managed by the implementation. Applications can manage the host memory consumed by a pipeline cache object and control the amount of data retrieved from a pipeline cache object.

Pipeline cache objects are represented by `VkPipelineCache` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkPipelineCache)
```

### 4.18.3 Description

### 4.18.4 See Also

`vkCreateComputePipelines`, `vkCreateGraphicsPipelines`, `vkCreatePipelineCache`,  
`vkDestroyPipelineCache`, `vkGetPipelineCacheData`, `vkMergePipelineCaches`

### 4.18.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineCache>

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## 4.19 VkPipelineLayout(3)

### 4.19.1 Name

VkPipelineLayout - Opaque handle to a pipeline layout object

### 4.19.2 C Specification

Access to descriptor sets from a pipeline is accomplished through a *pipeline layout*. Zero or more descriptor set layouts and zero or more push constant ranges are combined to form a pipeline layout object which describes the complete set of resources that can be accessed by a pipeline. The pipeline layout represents a sequence of descriptor sets with each having a specific layout. This sequence of layouts is used to determine the interface between shader stages and shader resources. Each pipeline is created using a pipeline layout.

Pipeline layout objects are represented by VkPipelineLayout handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkPipelineLayout)
```

### 4.19.3 Description

### 4.19.4 See Also

VkComputePipelineCreateInfo, VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, vkCmdBindDescriptorSets, vkCmdPushConstants, vkCreatePipelineLayout, vkDestroyPipelineLayout

### 4.19.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineLayout>

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## 4.20 VkQueryPool(3)

### 4.20.1 Name

VkQueryPool - Opaque handle to a query pool object

### 4.20.2 C Specification

Queries are managed using *query pool* objects. Each query pool is a collection of a specific number of queries of a particular type.

Query pools are represented by VkQueryPool handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkQueryPool)
```

### 4.20.3 Description

### 4.20.4 See Also

vkCmdBeginQuery, vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults, vkCmdEndQuery, vkCmdResetQueryPool, vkCmdWriteTimestamp, vkCreateQueryPool, vkDestroyQueryPool, vkGetQueryPoolResults

### 4.20.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryPool>

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## 4.21 VkQueue(3)

### 4.21.1 Name

VkQueue - Opaque handle to a queue object

### 4.21.2 C Specification

Creating a logical device also creates the queues associated with that device. The queues to create are described by a set of `VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo` structures that are passed to `vkCreateDevice` in `pQueueCreateInfos`.

Queues are represented by `VkQueue` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_HANDLE(VkQueue)
```

### 4.21.3 Description

### 4.21.4 See Also

`vkGetDeviceQueue`, `vkQueueBindSparse`, `vkQueueSubmit`, `vkQueueWaitIdle`

### 4.21.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueue>

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## 4.22 VkRenderPass(3)

### 4.22.1 Name

VkRenderPass - Opaque handle to a render pass object

### 4.22.2 C Specification

A *render pass* represents a collection of attachments, subpasses, and dependencies between the subpasses, and describes how the attachments are used over the course of the subpasses. The use of a render pass in a command buffer is a *render pass instance*.

Render passes are represented by VkRenderPass handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkRenderPass)
```

### 4.22.3 Description

### 4.22.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo, VkFramebufferCreateInfo,  
VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, VkRenderPassBeginInfo, vkCreateRenderPass,  
vkDestroyRenderPass, vkGetRenderAreaGranularity

### 4.22.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkRenderPass>

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## 4.23 VkSampler(3)

### 4.23.1 Name

VkSampler - Opaque handle to a sampler object

### 4.23.2 C Specification

VkSampler objects represent the state of an image sampler which is used by the implementation to read image data and apply filtering and other transformations for the shader.

Samplers are represented by VkSampler handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkSampler)
```

### 4.23.3 Description

### 4.23.4 See Also

VkDescriptorImageInfo, VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding, vkCreateSampler, vkDestroySampler

### 4.23.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSampler>

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## 4.24 VkSemaphore(3)

### 4.24.1 Name

VkSemaphore - Opaque handle to a semaphore object

### 4.24.2 C Specification

Semaphores are used to coordinate queue operations both within a queue and between different queues. A semaphore's status is always either *signaled* or *unsignaled*.

Semaphores are represented by VkSemaphore handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkSemaphore)
```

### 4.24.3 Description

### 4.24.4 See Also

VkBindSparseInfo, VkSubmitInfo, vkCreateSemaphore, vkDestroySemaphore

### 4.24.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSemaphore>

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## 4.25 VkShaderModule(3)

### 4.25.1 Name

VkShaderModule - Opaque handle to a shader module object

### 4.25.2 C Specification

*Shader modules* contain *shader code* and one or more entry points. Shaders are selected from a shader module by specifying an entry point as part of pipeline creation. The stages of a pipeline can use shaders that come from different modules. The shader code defining a shader module must be in the SPIR-V format, as described by the Vulkan Environment for SPIR-V appendix.

Shader modules are represented by `VkShaderModule` handles:

```
VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(VkShaderModule)
```

### 4.25.3 Description

### 4.25.4 See Also

`VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo`, `vkCreateShaderModule`, `vkDestroyShaderModule`

### 4.25.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkShaderModule>

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## 5 Structures

### 5.1 VkAllocationCallbacks(3)

#### 5.1.1 Name

VkAllocationCallbacks - Structure containing callback function pointers for memory allocation

#### 5.1.2 C Specification

Allocators are provided by the application as a pointer to a `VkAllocationCallbacks` structure:

```
typedef struct VkAllocationCallbacks {  
    void*                pUserData;  
    PFN_vkAllocationFunction    pfnAllocation;  
    PFN_vkReallocationFunction  pfnReallocation;  
    PFN_vkFreeFunction         pfnFree;  
    PFN_vkInternalAllocationNotification  pfnInternalAllocation;  
    PFN_vkInternalFreeNotification    pfnInternalFree;  
} VkAllocationCallbacks;
```

#### 5.1.3 Members

- *pUserData* is a value to be interpreted by the implementation of the callbacks. When any of the callbacks in `VkAllocationCallbacks` are called, the Vulkan implementation will pass this value as the first parameter to the callback. This value can vary each time an allocator is passed into a command, even when the same object takes an allocator in multiple commands.
- *pfnAllocation* is a pointer to an application-defined memory allocation function of type `PFN_vkAllocationFunction`.
- *pfnReallocation* is a pointer to an application-defined memory reallocation function of type `PFN_vkReallocationFunction`.
- *pfnFree* is a pointer to an application-defined memory free function of type `PFN_vkFreeFunction`.
- *pfnInternalAllocation* is a pointer to an application-defined function that is called by the implementation when the implementation makes internal allocations, and it is of type `PFN_vkInternalAllocationNotification`.
- *pfnInternalFree* is a pointer to an application-defined function that is called by the implementation when the implementation frees internal allocations, and it is of type `PFN_vkInternalFreeNotification`.

#### 5.1.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *pfnAllocation* must be a pointer to a valid user-defined `PFN_vkAllocationFunction`

- *pfnReallocation* must be a pointer to a valid user-defined PFN\_vkReallocationFunction
- *pfnFree* must be a pointer to a valid user-defined PFN\_vkFreeFunction
- If either of *pfnInternalAllocation* or *pfnInternalFree* is not NULL, both must be valid callbacks

### 5.1.5 See Also

PFN\_vkAllocationFunction, PFN\_vkFreeFunction, PFN\_vkInternalAllocationNotification, PFN\_vkInternalFreeNotification, PFN\_vkReallocationFunction, vkAllocateMemory, vkCreateBuffer, vkCreateBufferView, vkCreateCommandPool, vkCreateComputePipelines, vkCreateDescriptorPool, vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout, vkCreateDevice, vkCreateEvent, vkCreateFence, vkCreateFramebuffer, vkCreateGraphicsPipelines, vkCreateImage, vkCreateImageView, vkCreateInstance, vkCreatePipelineCache, vkCreatePipelineLayout, vkCreateQueryPool, vkCreateRenderPass, vkCreateSampler, vkCreateSemaphore, vkCreateShaderModule, vkDestroyBuffer, vkDestroyBufferView, vkDestroyCommandPool, vkDestroyDescriptorPool, vkDestroyDescriptorSetLayout, vkDestroyDevice, vkDestroyEvent, vkDestroyFence, vkDestroyFramebuffer, vkDestroyImage, vkDestroyImageView, vkDestroyInstance, vkDestroyPipeline, vkDestroyPipelineCache, vkDestroyPipelineLayout, vkDestroyQueryPool, vkDestroyRenderPass, vkDestroySampler, vkDestroySemaphore, vkDestroyShaderModule, vkFreeMemory

### 5.1.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAllocationCallbacks>

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## 5.2 VkApplicationInfo(3)

### 5.2.1 Name

VkApplicationInfo - Structure specifying application info

### 5.2.2 C Specification

The VkApplicationInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkApplicationInfo {  
    VkStructureType    sType;  
    const void*        pNext;  
    const char*        pApplicationName;  
    uint32_t           applicationVersion;  
    const char*        pEngineName;  
    uint32_t           engineVersion;  
    uint32_t           apiVersion;  
} VkApplicationInfo;
```

### 5.2.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *pApplicationName* is a pointer to a null-terminated UTF-8 string containing the name of the application.
- *applicationVersion* is an unsigned integer variable containing the developer-supplied version number of the application.
- *pEngineName* is a pointer to a null-terminated UTF-8 string containing the name of the engine (if any) used to create the application.
- *engineVersion* is an unsigned integer variable containing the developer-supplied version number of the engine used to create the application.
- *apiVersion* is the version of the Vulkan API against which the application expects to run, encoded as described in the API Version Numbers and Semantics section. If *apiVersion* is 0 the implementation must ignore it, otherwise if the implementation does not support the requested *apiVersion* it must return `VK_ERROR_INCOMPATIBLE_DRIVER`. The patch version number specified in *apiVersion* is ignored when creating an instance object. Only the major and minor versions of the instance must match those requested in *apiVersion*.

### 5.2.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_APPLICATION_INFO`
-

- *pNext* must be NULL
- If *pApplicationName* is not NULL, *pApplicationName* must be a null-terminated string
- If *pEngineName* is not NULL, *pEngineName* must be a null-terminated string
- *apiVersion* must be zero, or otherwise it must be a version that the implementation supports, or supports an effective substitute for

### 5.2.5 See Also

VkInstanceCreateInfo, VkStructureType

### 5.2.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkApplicationInfo>

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## 5.3 VkAttachmentDescription(3)

### 5.3.1 Name

VkAttachmentDescription - Structure specifying an attachment description

### 5.3.2 C Specification

The VkAttachmentDescription structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkAttachmentDescription {
    VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags    flags;
    VkFormat                       format;
    VkSampleCountFlagBits          samples;
    VkAttachmentLoadOp              loadOp;
    VkAttachmentStoreOp             storeOp;
    VkAttachmentLoadOp              stencilLoadOp;
    VkAttachmentStoreOp             stencilStoreOp;
    VkImageLayout                   initialLayout;
    VkImageLayout                   finalLayout;
} VkAttachmentDescription;
```

### 5.3.3 Members

- *flags* is a bitmask describing additional properties of the attachment. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits {
    VK_ATTACHMENT_DESCRIPTION_MAY_ALIAS_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits;
```

- *format* is a VkFormat value specifying the format of the image that will be used for the attachment.
- *samples* is the number of samples of the image as defined in VkSampleCountFlagBits.
- *loadOp* specifies how the contents of color and depth components of the attachment are treated at the beginning of the subpass where it is first used:

```
typedef enum VkAttachmentLoadOp {
    VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_LOAD = 0,
    VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_CLEAR = 1,
    VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_DONT_CARE = 2,
} VkAttachmentLoadOp;
```

- VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_LOAD means the contents within the render area will be preserved.
  - VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR means the contents within the render area will be cleared to a uniform value, which is specified when a render pass instance is begun.
  - VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_DONT\_CARE means the contents within the area need not be preserved; the contents of the attachment will be undefined inside the render area.
- *storeOp* specifies how the contents of color and depth components of the attachment are treated at the end of the subpass where it is last used:
-



```
typedef enum VkAttachmentStoreOp {
    VK_ATTACHMENT_STORE_OP_STORE = 0,
    VK_ATTACHMENT_STORE_OP_DONT_CARE = 1,
} VkAttachmentStoreOp;
```

- `VK_ATTACHMENT_STORE_OP_STORE` means the contents within the render area are written to memory and will be available for reading after the render pass instance completes once the writes have been synchronized with `VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT` (for color attachments) or `VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT` (for depth/stencil attachments).
- `VK_ATTACHMENT_STORE_OP_DONT_CARE` means the contents within the render area are not needed after rendering, and may be discarded; the contents of the attachment will be undefined inside the render area.
- `stencilLoadOp` specifies how the contents of stencil components of the attachment are treated at the beginning of the subpass where it is first used, and must be one of the same values allowed for `loadOp` above.
- `stencilStoreOp` specifies how the contents of stencil components of the attachment are treated at the end of the last subpass where it is used, and must be one of the same values allowed for `storeOp` above.
- `initialLayout` is the layout the attachment image subresource will be in when a render pass instance begins.
- `finalLayout` is the layout the attachment image subresource will be transitioned to when a render pass instance ends. During a render pass instance, an attachment can use a different layout in each subpass, if desired.

### 5.3.4 Description

If the attachment uses a color format, then `loadOp` and `storeOp` are used, and `stencilLoadOp` and `stencilStoreOp` are ignored. If the format has depth and/or stencil components, `loadOp` and `storeOp` apply only to the depth data, while `stencilLoadOp` and `stencilStoreOp` define how the stencil data is handled.

During a render pass instance, input/color attachments with color formats that have a component size of 8, 16, or 32 bits must be represented in the attachment's format throughout the instance. Attachments with other floating- or fixed-point color formats, or with depth components may be represented in a format with a precision higher than the attachment format, but must be represented with the same range. When such a component is loaded via the `loadOp`, it will be converted into an implementation-dependent format used by the render pass. Such components must be converted from the render pass format, to the format of the attachment, before they are stored or resolved at the end of a render pass instance via `storeOp`. Conversions occur as described in Numeric Representation and Computation and Fixed-Point Data Conversions.

If `flags` includes `VK_ATTACHMENT_DESCRIPTION_MAY_ALIAS_BIT`, then the attachment is treated as if it shares physical memory with another attachment in the same render pass. This information limits the ability of the implementation to reorder certain operations (like layout transitions and the `loadOp`) such that it is not improperly reordered against other uses of the same physical memory via a different attachment. This is described in more detail below.

#### Valid Usage

- `flags` must be a valid combination of `VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits` values
- `format` must be a valid `VkFormat` value

- 
- *samples* must be a valid `VkSampleCountFlagBits` value
  - *loadOp* must be a valid `VkAttachmentLoadOp` value
  - *storeOp* must be a valid `VkAttachmentStoreOp` value
  - *stencilLoadOp* must be a valid `VkAttachmentLoadOp` value
  - *stencilStoreOp* must be a valid `VkAttachmentStoreOp` value
  - *initialLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *finalLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *finalLayout* must not be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PREINITIALIZED`

### 5.3.5 See Also

`VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags`, `VkAttachmentLoadOp`, `VkAttachmentStoreOp`, `VkFormat`, `VkImageLayout`, `VkRenderPassCreateInfo`, `VkSampleCountFlagBits`

### 5.3.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAttachmentDescription>

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## 5.4 VkAttachmentReference(3)

### 5.4.1 Name

VkAttachmentReference - Structure specifying an attachment reference

### 5.4.2 C Specification

The VkAttachmentReference structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkAttachmentReference {
    uint32_t      attachment;
    VkImageLayout  layout;
} VkAttachmentReference;
```

### 5.4.3 Members

- *attachment* is the index of the attachment of the render pass, and corresponds to the index of the corresponding element in the *pAttachments* array of the *VkRenderPassCreateInfo* structure. If any color or depth/stencil attachments are *VK\_ATTACHMENT\_UNUSED*, then no writes occur for those attachments.
- *layout* is a *VkImageLayout* value specifying the layout the attachment uses during the subpass. The implementation will automatically perform layout transitions as needed between subpasses to make each subpass use the requested layouts.

### 5.4.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *layout* must be a valid *VkImageLayout* value
- *layout* must not be *VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_UNDEFINED* or *VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_PREINITIALIZED*

### 5.4.5 See Also

*VkImageLayout*, *VkSubpassDescription*

### 5.4.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAttachmentReference>

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## 5.5 VkBindSparseInfo(3)

### 5.5.1 Name

VkBindSparseInfo - Structure specifying a sparse binding operation

### 5.5.2 C Specification

The VkBindSparseInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkBindSparseInfo {  
    VkStructureType           sType;  
    const void*               pNext;  
    uint32_t                  waitSemaphoreCount;  
    const VkSemaphore*        pWaitSemaphores;  
    uint32_t                  bufferBindCount;  
    const VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo* pBufferBinds;  
    uint32_t                  imageOpaqueBindCount;  
    const VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo* pImageOpaqueBinds;  
    uint32_t                  imageBindCount;  
    const VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo* pImageBinds;  
    uint32_t                  signalSemaphoreCount;  
    const VkSemaphore*        pSignalSemaphores;  
} VkBindSparseInfo;
```

### 5.5.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
  - *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
  - *waitSemaphoreCount* is the number of semaphores upon which to wait before executing the sparse binding operations for the batch.
  - *pWaitSemaphores* is a pointer to an array of semaphores upon which to wait on before the sparse binding operations for this batch begin execution. If semaphores to wait on are provided, they define a semaphore wait operation.
  - *bufferBindCount* is the number of sparse buffer bindings to perform in the batch.
  - *pBufferBinds* is a pointer to an array of *VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo* structures.
  - *imageOpaqueBindCount* is the number of opaque sparse image bindings to perform.
  - *pImageOpaqueBinds* is a pointer to an array of *VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo* structures, indicating opaque sparse image bindings to perform.
  - *imageBindCount* is the number of sparse image bindings to perform.
  - *pImageBinds* is a pointer to an array of *VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo* structures, indicating sparse image bindings to perform.
  - *signalSemaphoreCount* is the number of semaphores to be signaled once the sparse binding operations specified by the structure have completed execution.
  - *pSignalSemaphores* is a pointer to an array of semaphores which will be signaled when the sparse binding operations for this batch have completed execution. If semaphores to be signaled are provided, they define a semaphore signal operation.
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### 5.5.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BIND_SPARSE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- If *waitSemaphoreCount* is not 0, *pWaitSemaphores* must be a pointer to an array of *waitSemaphoreCount* valid `VkSemaphore` handles
- If *bufferBindCount* is not 0, *pBufferBinds* must be a pointer to an array of *bufferBindCount* valid `VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo` structures
- If *imageOpaqueBindCount* is not 0, *pImageOpaqueBinds* must be a pointer to an array of *imageOpaqueBindCount* valid `VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo` structures
- If *imageBindCount* is not 0, *pImageBinds* must be a pointer to an array of *imageBindCount* valid `VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo` structures
- If *signalSemaphoreCount* is not 0, *pSignalSemaphores* must be a pointer to an array of *signalSemaphoreCount* valid `VkSemaphore` handles
- Both of the elements of *pSignalSemaphores*, and the elements of *pWaitSemaphores* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`

### 5.5.5 See Also

`VkSemaphore`, `VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo`, `VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo`, `VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo`, `VkStructureType`, `vkQueueBindSparse`

### 5.5.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBindSparseInfo>

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## 5.6 VkBufferCopy(3)

### 5.6.1 Name

VkBufferCopy - Structure specifying a buffer copy operation

### 5.6.2 C Specification

The VkBufferCopy structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkBufferCopy {  
    VkDeviceSize    srcOffset;  
    VkDeviceSize    dstOffset;  
    VkDeviceSize    size;  
} VkBufferCopy;
```

### 5.6.3 Members

- *srcOffset* is the starting offset in bytes from the start of *srcBuffer*.
- *dstOffset* is the starting offset in bytes from the start of *dstBuffer*.
- *size* is the number of bytes to copy.

### 5.6.4 Description

### 5.6.5 See Also

VkDeviceSize, vkCmdCopyBuffer

### 5.6.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferCopy>

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## 5.7 VkBufferCreateInfo(3)

### 5.7.1 Name

VkBufferCreateInfo - Structure specifying the parameters of a newly created buffer object

### 5.7.2 C Specification

The VkBufferCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkBufferCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkBufferCreateFlags flags;
    VkDeviceSize        size;
    VkBufferUsageFlags  usage;
    VkSharingMode        sharingMode;
    uint32_t            queueFamilyIndexCount;
    const uint32_t*      pQueueFamilyIndices;
} VkBufferCreateInfo;
```

### 5.7.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is a bitmask describing additional parameters of the buffer. See [VkBufferCreateFlagBits](#) below for a description of the supported bits.
- *size* is the size in bytes of the buffer to be created.
- *usage* is a bitmask describing the allowed usages of the buffer. See [VkBufferUsageFlagBits](#) below for a description of the supported bits.
- *sharingMode* is the sharing mode of the buffer when it will be accessed by multiple queue families, see [VkSharingMode](#) in the Resource Sharing section below for supported values.
- *queueFamilyIndexCount* is the number of entries in the *pQueueFamilyIndices* array.
- *pQueueFamilyIndices* is a list of queue families that will access this buffer (ignored if *sharingMode* is not [VK\\_SHARING\\_MODE\\_CONCURRENT](#)).

### 5.7.4 Description

Bits which can be set in *usage* are:

```
typedef enum VkBufferUsageFlagBits {
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000020,
```

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```
VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000040,
VK_BUFFER_USAGE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000080,
VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDIRECT_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000100,
} VkBufferUsageFlagBits;
```

- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be used as the source of a *transfer command* (see the definition of `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT`).
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be used as the destination of a transfer command.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be used to create a `VkBufferView` suitable for occupying a `VkDescriptorSet` slot of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER`.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be used to create a `VkBufferView` suitable for occupying a `VkDescriptorSet` slot of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER`.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be used in a `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` suitable for occupying a `VkDescriptorSet` slot either of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be used in a `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` suitable for occupying a `VkDescriptorSet` slot either of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDEX_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer is suitable for passing as the *buffer* parameter to `vkCmdBindIndexBuffer`.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer is suitable for passing as an element of the *pBuffers* array to `vkCmdBindVertexBuffers`.
- `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDIRECT_BUFFER_BIT` indicates that the buffer is suitable for passing as the *buffer* parameter to `vkCmdDrawIndirect`, `vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect`, or `vkCmdDispatchIndirect`.

Any combination of bits can be specified for *usage*, but at least one of the bits must be set in order to create a valid buffer.

Bits which can be set in *flags* are:

```
typedef enum VkBufferCreateFlagBits {
    VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT = 0x00000004,
} VkBufferCreateFlagBits;
```

These bits have the following meanings:

- `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` indicates that the buffer will be backed using sparse memory binding.
  - `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` indicates that the buffer can be partially backed using sparse memory binding. Buffers created with this flag must also be created with the `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` flag.
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- `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT` indicates that the buffer will be backed using sparse memory binding with memory ranges that might also simultaneously be backing another buffer (or another portion of the same buffer). Buffers created with this flag must also be created with the `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` flag.

See Sparse Resource Features and Physical Device Features for details of the sparse memory features supported on a device.

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BUFFER_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`, or a pointer to a valid instance of `VkDedicatedAllocationBufferCreateInfoNV`
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkBufferCreateFlagBits` values
- *usage* must be a valid combination of `VkBufferUsageFlagBits` values
- *usage* must not be 0
- *sharingMode* must be a valid `VkSharingMode` value
- *size* must be greater than 0
- If *sharingMode* is `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`, *pQueueFamilyIndices* must be a pointer to an array of *queueFamilyIndexCount* `uint32_t` values
- If *sharingMode* is `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`, *queueFamilyIndexCount* must be greater than 1
- If the sparse bindings feature is not enabled, *flags* must not contain `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT`
- If the sparse buffer residency feature is not enabled, *flags* must not contain `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT`
- If the sparse aliased residency feature is not enabled, *flags* must not contain `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT`
- If *flags* contains `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` or `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT`, it must also contain `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT`

#### 5.7.5 See Also

`VkBufferCreateFlags`, `VkBufferUsageFlags`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkSharingMode`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateBuffer`

#### 5.7.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at [URL](#)

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<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferCreateInfo>

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## 5.8 VkBufferImageCopy(3)

### 5.8.1 Name

VkBufferImageCopy - Structure specifying a buffer image copy operation

### 5.8.2 C Specification

For both `vkCmdCopyBufferToImage` and `vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer`, each element of *pRegions* is a structure defined as:

```
typedef struct VkBufferImageCopy {
    VkDeviceSize      bufferOffset;
    uint32_t          bufferRowLength;
    uint32_t          bufferImageHeight;
    VkImageSubresourceLayers imageSubresource;
    VkOffset3D         imageOffset;
    VkExtent3D         imageExtent;
} VkBufferImageCopy;
```

### 5.8.3 Members

- *bufferOffset* is the offset in bytes from the start of the buffer object where the image data is copied from or to.
- *bufferRowLength* and *bufferImageHeight* specify the data in buffer memory as a subregion of a larger two- or three-dimensional image, and control the addressing calculations of data in buffer memory. If either of these values is zero, that aspect of the buffer memory is considered to be tightly packed according to the *imageExtent*.
- *imageSubresource* is a `VkImageSubresourceLayers` used to specify the specific image subresources of the image used for the source or destination image data.
- *imageOffset* selects the initial x, y, z offsets in texels of the sub-region of the source or destination image data.
- *imageExtent* is the size in texels of the image to copy in *width*, *height* and *depth*. 1D images use only *x* and *width*. 2D images use *x*, *y*, *width* and *height*. 3D images use *x*, *y*, *z*, *width*, *height* and *depth*.

### 5.8.4 Description

When copying to or from a depth or stencil aspect, the data in buffer memory uses a layout that is a (mostly) tightly packed representation of the depth or stencil data. Specifically:

- data copied to or from the stencil aspect of any depth/stencil format is tightly packed with one `VK_FORMAT_S8_UINT` value per texel.
- data copied to or from the depth aspect of a `VK_FORMAT_D16_UNORM` or `VK_FORMAT_D16_UNORM_S8_UINT` format is tightly packed with one `VK_FORMAT_D16_UNORM` value per texel.
- data copied to or from the depth aspect of a `VK_FORMAT_D32_SFLOAT` or `VK_FORMAT_D32_SFLOAT_S8_UINT` format is tightly packed with one `VK_FORMAT_D32_SFLOAT` value per texel.
- data copied to or from the depth aspect of a `VK_FORMAT_X8_D24_UNORM_PACK32` or `VK_FORMAT_D24_UNORM_S8_UINT` format is packed with one 32-bit word per texel with the D24 value in the LSBs of the word, and undefined values in the eight MSBs.



#### Note

To copy both the depth and stencil aspects of a depth/stencil format, two entries in *pRegions* can be used, where one specifies the depth aspect in *imageSubresource*, and the other specifies the stencil aspect.

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Because depth or stencil aspect buffer to image copies may require format conversions on some implementations, they are not supported on queues that do not support graphics. When copying to a depth aspect, the data in buffer memory must be in the range  $[0, 1]$  or undefined results occur.

Copies are done layer by layer starting with image layer *baseArrayLayer* member of *imageSubresource*. *layerCount* layers are copied from the source image or to the destination image.

#### Valid Usage

- *imageSubresource* must be a valid *VkImageSubresourceLayers* structure
- *bufferOffset* must be a multiple of the calling command's *VkImage* parameter's texel size
- *bufferOffset* must be a multiple of 4
- *bufferRowLength* must be 0, or greater than or equal to the *width* member of *imageExtent*
- *bufferImageHeight* must be 0, or greater than or equal to the *height* member of *imageExtent*
- *imageOffset.x* and  $(\text{imageExtent.width} + \text{imageOffset.x})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the image subresource width
- *imageOffset.y* and  $(\text{imageExtent.height} + \text{imageOffset.y})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the image subresource height
- *imageOffset.z* and  $(\text{imageExtent.depth} + \text{imageOffset.z})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the image subresource depth
- If the calling command's *VkImage* parameter is a compressed format image:
  - *bufferRowLength* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block width
  - *bufferImageHeight* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height
  - all members of *imageOffset* must be a multiple of the corresponding dimensions of the compressed texel block
  - *bufferOffset* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block size in bytes
  - *imageExtent.width* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block width or  $(\text{imageExtent.width} + \text{imageOffset.x})$  must equal the image subresource width
  - *imageExtent.height* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height or  $(\text{imageExtent.height} + \text{imageOffset.y})$  must equal the image subresource height
  - *imageExtent.depth* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block depth or  $(\text{imageExtent.depth} + \text{imageOffset.z})$  must equal the image subresource depth
- *bufferOffset*, *bufferRowLength*, *bufferImageHeight* and all members of *imageOffset* and *imageExtent* must respect the image transfer granularity requirements of the queue family that it will be submitted against, as described in Physical Device Enumeration

- The *aspectMask* member of *imageSubresource* must specify aspects present in the calling command's *VkImage* parameter
- The *aspectMask* member of *imageSubresource* must only have a single bit set
- If the calling command's *VkImage* parameter is of *VkImageType* *VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D*, the *baseArrayLayer* and *layerCount* members of *imageSubresource* must be 0 and 1, respectively
- When copying to the depth aspect of an image subresource, the data in the source buffer must be in the range [0, 1]

### 5.8.5 See Also

*VkDeviceSize*, *VkExtent3D*, *VkImageSubresourceLayers*, *VkOffset3D*,  
*vkCmdCopyBufferToImage*, *vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer*

### 5.8.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferImageCopy>

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## 5.9 VkBufferMemoryBarrier(3)

### 5.9.1 Name

VkBufferMemoryBarrier - Structure specifying the parameters of a buffer memory barrier

### 5.9.2 C Specification

The VkBufferMemoryBarrier structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkBufferMemoryBarrier {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkAccessFlags       srcAccessMask;
    VkAccessFlags       dstAccessMask;
    uint32_t           srcQueueFamilyIndex;
    uint32_t           dstQueueFamilyIndex;
    VkBuffer            buffer;
    VkDeviceSize        offset;
    VkDeviceSize        size;
} VkBufferMemoryBarrier;
```

### 5.9.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *srcAccessMask* is a bitmask of the classes of memory accesses performed by the first set of commands that will participate in the dependency.
- *dstAccessMask* is a bitmask of the classes of memory accesses performed by the second set of commands that will participate in the dependency.
- *srcQueueFamilyIndex* is the queue family that is relinquishing ownership of the range of *buffer* to another queue, or VK\_QUEUE\_FAMILY\_IGNORED if there is no transfer of ownership.
- *dstQueueFamilyIndex* is the queue family that is acquiring ownership of the range of *buffer* from another queue, or VK\_QUEUE\_FAMILY\_IGNORED if there is no transfer of ownership.
- *buffer* is a handle to the buffer whose backing memory is affected by the barrier.
- *offset* is an offset in bytes into the backing memory for *buffer*; this is relative to the base offset as bound to the buffer (see `vkBindBufferMemory`).
- *size* is a size in bytes of the affected area of backing memory for *buffer*, or VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE to use the range from *offset* to the end of the buffer.

### 5.9.4 Description

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**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BUFFER_MEMORY_BARRIER`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *srcAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
- *dstAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
- *buffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *offset* must be less than the size of *buffer*
- If *size* is not equal to `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, *size* must be greater than 0
- If *size* is not equal to `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, *size* must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer* minus *offset*
- If *buffer* was created with a sharing mode of `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`, *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* must both be `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED`
- If *buffer* was created with a sharing mode of `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE`, *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* must either both be `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED`, or both be a valid queue family (see [?])
- If *buffer* was created with a sharing mode of `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE`, and *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* are valid queue families, at least one of them must be the same as the family of the queue that will execute this barrier

**5.9.5 See Also**

`VkAccessFlags`, `VkBuffer`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCmdPipelineBarrier`, `vkCmdWaitEvents`

**5.9.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferMemoryBarrier>

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## 5.10 VkBufferViewCreateInfo(3)

### 5.10.1 Name

VkBufferViewCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created buffer view

### 5.10.2 C Specification

The VkBufferViewCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkBufferViewCreateInfo {  
    VkStructureType      sType;  
    const void*          pNext;  
    VkBufferViewCreateFlags flags;  
    VkBuffer              buffer;  
    VkFormat              format;  
    VkDeviceSize          offset;  
    VkDeviceSize          range;  
} VkBufferViewCreateInfo;
```

### 5.10.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *buffer* is a `VkBuffer` on which the view will be created.
- *format* is a `VkFormat` describing the format of the data elements in the buffer.
- *offset* is an offset in bytes from the base address of the buffer. Accesses to the buffer view from shaders use addressing that is relative to this starting offset.
- *range* is a size in bytes of the buffer view. If *range* is equal to `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, the range from *offset* to the end of the buffer is used. If `VK_WHOLE_SIZE` is used and the remaining size of the buffer is not a multiple of the element size of *format*, then the nearest smaller multiple is used.

### 5.10.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BUFFER_VIEW_CREATE_INFO`
  - *pNext* must be NULL
  - *flags* must be 0
-



- *buffer* must be a valid `VkBuffer` handle
- *format* must be a valid `VkFormat` value
- *offset* must be less than the size of *buffer*
- *offset* must be a multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minTexelBufferOffsetAlignment`
- If *range* is not equal to `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`:
  - *range* must be greater than 0
  - *range* must be a multiple of the element size of *format*
  - *range* divided by the size of an element of *format*, must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxTexelBufferElements`
  - the sum of *offset* and *range* must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer*
- *buffer* must have been created with a *usage* value containing at least one of `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` or `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT`
- If *buffer* was created with *usage* containing `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT`, *format* must be supported for uniform texel buffers, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::bufferFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**
- If *buffer* was created with *usage* containing `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT`, *format* must be supported for storage texel buffers, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::bufferFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`**

### 5.10.5 See Also

`VkBuffer`, `VkBufferViewCreateFlags`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkFormat`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateBufferView`

### 5.10.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferViewCreateInfo>

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## 5.11 VkClearAttachment(3)

### 5.11.1 Name

VkClearAttachment - Structure specifying a clear attachment

### 5.11.2 C Specification

The VkClearAttachment structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkClearAttachment {
    VkImageAspectFlags    aspectMask;
    uint32_t              colorAttachment;
    VkClearColorValue      clearValue;
} VkClearAttachment;
```

### 5.11.3 Members

- *aspectMask* is a mask selecting the color, depth and/or stencil aspects of the attachment to be cleared. *aspectMask* can include VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_COLOR\_BIT for color attachments, VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_DEPTH\_BIT for depth/stencil attachments with a depth component, and VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_STENCIL\_BIT for depth/stencil attachments with a stencil component. If the subpass's depth/stencil attachment is VK\_ATTACHMENT\_UNUSED, then the clear has no effect.
- *colorAttachment* is only meaningful if VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_COLOR\_BIT is set in *aspectMask*, in which case it is an index to the *pColorAttachments* array in the VkSubpassDescription structure of the current subpass which selects the color attachment to clear. If *colorAttachment* is VK\_ATTACHMENT\_UNUSED or is greater than or equal to VkSubpassDescription::colorAttachmentCount, then the clear has no effect.
- *clearValue* is the color or depth/stencil value to clear the attachment to, as described in Clear Values below.

### 5.11.4 Description

No memory barriers are needed between **vkCmdClearAttachments** and preceding or subsequent draw or attachment clear commands in the same subpass.

The **vkCmdClearAttachments** command is not affected by the bound pipeline state.

Attachments can also be cleared at the beginning of a render pass instance by setting *loadOp* (or *stencilLoadOp*) of VkAttachmentDescription to VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR, as described for vkCreateRenderPass.

#### Valid Usage

- *aspectMask* must be a valid combination of VkImageAspectFlagBits values
  - *aspectMask* must not be 0
  - *clearValue* must be a valid VkClearColorValue union
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- If *aspectMask* includes `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`, it must not include `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT`
- *aspectMask* must not include `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_METADATA_BIT`

#### 5.11.5 See Also

`VkClearColorValue`, `VkImageAspectFlags`, `VkCmdClearAttachments`

#### 5.11.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkClearAttachment>

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## 5.12 VkClearColorValue(3)

### 5.12.1 Name

VkClearColorValue - Structure specifying a clear color value

### 5.12.2 C Specification

The VkClearColorValue structure is defined as:

```
typedef union VkClearColorValue {  
    float        float32[4];  
    int32_t      int32[4];  
    uint32_t     uint32[4];  
} VkClearColorValue;
```

### 5.12.3 Members

- *float32* are the color clear values when the format of the image or attachment is floating point, unorm, snorm, uscaled, packed float, or sRGB. Floating point values are automatically converted to the format of the image, with the clear value being treated as linear if the image is sRGB.
- *int32* are the color clear values when the format of the image or attachment is signed integer. Signed integer values are converted to the format of the image by casting to the smaller type (with negative 32-bit values mapping to negative values in the smaller type). If the integer clear value is not representable in the target type (e.g. would overflow in conversion to that type), the clear value is undefined.
- *uint32* are the color clear values when the format of the image or attachment is unsigned integer. Unsigned integer values are converted to the format of the image by casting to the integer type with fewer bits.

### 5.12.4 Description

The four array elements of the clear color map to R, G, B, and A components of image formats, in order.

If the image has more than one sample, the same value is written to all samples for any pixels being cleared.

### 5.12.5 See Also

VkClearColorValue, vkCmdClearColorImage

### 5.12.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkClearColorValue>

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## 5.13 VkClearDepthStencilValue(3)

### 5.13.1 Name

VkClearDepthStencilValue - Structure specifying a clear depth stencil value

### 5.13.2 C Specification

The VkClearDepthStencilValue structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkClearDepthStencilValue {  
    float      depth;  
    uint32_t   stencil;  
} VkClearDepthStencilValue;
```

### 5.13.3 Members

- *depth* is the clear value for the depth aspect of the depth/stencil attachment. It is a floating-point value which is automatically converted to the attachment's format.
- *stencil* is the clear value for the stencil aspect of the depth/stencil attachment. It is a 32-bit integer value which is converted to the attachment's format by taking the appropriate number of LSBs.

### 5.13.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *depth* must be between 0.0 and 1.0, inclusive

### 5.13.5 See Also

VkClearColor, vkCmdClearColorImage

### 5.13.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkClearDepthStencilValue>

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## 5.14 VkClearRect(3)

### 5.14.1 Name

VkClearRect - Structure specifying a clear rectangle

### 5.14.2 C Specification

The VkClearRect structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkClearRect {  
    VkRect2D      rect;  
    uint32_t      baseArrayLayer;  
    uint32_t      layerCount;  
} VkClearRect;
```

### 5.14.3 Members

- *rect* is the two-dimensional region to be cleared.
- *baseArrayLayer* is the first layer to be cleared.
- *layerCount* is the number of layers to clear.

### 5.14.4 Description

The layers [*baseArrayLayer*, *baseArrayLayer* + *layerCount*) counting from the base layer of the attachment image view are cleared.

### 5.14.5 See Also

VkRect2D, vkCmdClearAttachments

### 5.14.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkClearRect>

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## 5.15 VkClearColorValue(3)

### 5.15.1 Name

VkClearColorValue - Structure specifying a clear value

### 5.15.2 C Specification

The VkClearColorValue union is defined as:

```
typedef union VkClearColorValue {  
    VkClearColorValue    color;  
    VkClearDepthStencilValue    depthStencil;  
} VkClearColorValue;
```

### 5.15.3 Members

- *color* specifies the color image clear values to use when clearing a color image or attachment.
- *depthStencil* specifies the depth and stencil clear values to use when clearing a depth/stencil image or attachment.

### 5.15.4 Description

This union is used where part of the API requires either color or depth/stencil clear values, depending on the attachment, and defines the initial clear values in the VkRenderPassBeginInfo structure.

#### Valid Usage

- *depthStencil* must be a valid VkClearDepthStencilValue structure

### 5.15.5 See Also

VkClearAttachment, VkClearColorValue, VkClearDepthStencilValue, VkRenderPassBeginInfo

### 5.15.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkClearColorValue>

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## 5.16 VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo(3)

### 5.16.1 Name

VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo - Structure specifying the allocation parameters for command buffer object

### 5.16.2 C Specification

The VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo {
    VkStructureType      sType;
    const void*          pNext;
    VkCommandPool        commandPool;
    VkCommandBufferLevel level;
    uint32_t             commandBufferCount;
} VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo;
```

### 5.16.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *commandPool* is the name of the command pool that the command buffers allocate their memory from.
- *level* determines whether the command buffers are primary or secondary command buffers. Possible values include:

```
typedef enum VkCommandBufferLevel {
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_PRIMARY = 0,
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_SECONDARY = 1,
} VkCommandBufferLevel;
```

- *commandBufferCount* is the number of command buffers to allocate from the pool.

### 5.16.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_ALLOCATE\_INFO
  - *pNext* must be NULL
  - *commandPool* must be a valid VkCommandPool handle
  - *level* must be a valid VkCommandBufferLevel value
  - *commandBufferCount* must be greater than 0
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**5.16.5 See Also**

VkCommandBufferLevel, VkCommandPool, VkStructureType, vkAllocateCommandBuffers

**5.16.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo>

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## 5.17 VkCommandBufferBeginInfo(3)

### 5.17.1 Name

VkCommandBufferBeginInfo - Structure specifying a command buffer begin operation

### 5.17.2 C Specification

The VkCommandBufferBeginInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkCommandBufferBeginInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkCommandBufferUsageFlags flags;
    const VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo* pInheritanceInfo;
} VkCommandBufferBeginInfo;
```

### 5.17.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is a bitmask indicating usage behavior for the command buffer. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits {
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_ONE_TIME_SUBMIT_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT = 0x00000004,
} VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits;
```

- VK\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_ONE\_TIME\_SUBMIT\_BIT indicates that each recording of the command buffer will only be submitted once, and the command buffer will be reset and recorded again between each submission.
- VK\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_RENDER\_PASS\_CONTINUE\_BIT indicates that a secondary command buffer is considered to be entirely inside a render pass. If this is a primary command buffer, then this bit is ignored.
- Setting VK\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_SIMULTANEOUS\_USE\_BIT allows the command buffer to be resubmitted to a queue or recorded into a primary command buffer while it is pending execution.
- *pInheritanceInfo* is a pointer to a VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo structure, which is used if *commandBuffer* is a secondary command buffer. If this is a primary command buffer, then this value is ignored.

### 5.17.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_BEGIN\_INFO
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- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits` values
- If *flags* contains `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT`, the *renderPass* member of *pInheritanceInfo* must be a valid `VkRenderPass`
- If *flags* contains `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT`, the *subpass* member of *pInheritanceInfo* must be a valid subpass index within the *renderPass* member of *pInheritanceInfo*
- If *flags* contains `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT`, the *framebuffer* member of *pInheritanceInfo* must be either `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, or a valid `VkFramebuffer` that is compatible with the *renderPass* member of *pInheritanceInfo*

#### 5.17.5 See Also

`VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo`, `VkCommandBufferUsageFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `vkBeginCommandBuffer`

#### 5.17.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferBeginInfo>

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## 5.18 VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo(3)

### 5.18.1 Name

VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo - Structure specifying command buffer inheritance info

### 5.18.2 C Specification

If the command buffer is a secondary command buffer, then the `VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo` structure defines any state that will be inherited from the primary command buffer:

```
typedef struct VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkRenderPass        renderPass;
    uint32_t            subpass;
    VkFramebuffer       framebuffer;
    VkBool32            occlusionQueryEnable;
    VkQueryControlFlags queryFlags;
    VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags pipelineStatistics;
} VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo;
```

### 5.18.3 Members

- *renderPass* is a `VkRenderPass` object defining which render passes the `VkCommandBuffer` will be compatible with and can be executed within. If the `VkCommandBuffer` will not be executed within a render pass instance, *renderPass* is ignored.
- *subpass* is the index of the subpass within *renderPass* that the `VkCommandBuffer` will be executed within. If the `VkCommandBuffer` will not be executed within a render pass instance, *subpass* is ignored.
- *framebuffer* optionally refers to the `VkFramebuffer` object that the `VkCommandBuffer` will be rendering to if it is executed within a render pass instance. It can be `VK_NULL_HANDLE` if the framebuffer is not known, or if the `VkCommandBuffer` will not be executed within a render pass instance.



#### Note

Specifying the exact framebuffer that the secondary command buffer will be executed with may result in better performance at command buffer execution time.

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- *occlusionQueryEnable* indicates whether the command buffer can be executed while an occlusion query is active in the primary command buffer. If this is `VK_TRUE`, then this command buffer can be executed whether the primary command buffer has an occlusion query active or not. If this is `VK_FALSE`, then the primary command buffer must not have an occlusion query active.
  - *queryFlags* indicates the query flags that can be used by an active occlusion query in the primary command buffer when this secondary command buffer is executed. If this value includes the `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT` bit, then the active query can return boolean results or actual sample counts. If this bit is not set, then the active query must not use the `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT` bit. If this is a primary command buffer, then this value is ignored.
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- *pipelineStatistics* indicates the set of pipeline statistics that can be counted by an active query in the primary command buffer when this secondary command buffer is executed. If this value includes a given bit, then this command buffer can be executed whether the primary command buffer has a pipeline statistics query active that includes this bit or not. If this value excludes a given bit, then the active pipeline statistics query must not be from a query pool that counts that statistic.

#### 5.18.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_BUFFER_INHERITANCE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- Both of *framebuffer*, and *renderPass* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- If the inherited queries feature is not enabled, *occlusionQueryEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If the inherited queries feature is enabled, *queryFlags* must be a valid combination of `VkQueryControlFlagBits` values
- If the pipeline statistics queries feature is not enabled, *pipelineStatistics* must be `0`

#### 5.18.5 See Also

`VkBool32`, `VkCommandBufferBeginInfo`, `VkFramebuffer`, `VkQueryControlFlags`, `VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags`, `VkRenderPass`, `VkStructureType`

#### 5.18.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo>

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## 5.19 VkCommandPoolCreateInfo(3)

### 5.19.1 Name

VkCommandPoolCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created command pool

### 5.19.2 C Specification

The VkCommandPoolCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkCommandPoolCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType      sType;
    const void*          pNext;
    VkCommandPoolCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t              queueFamilyIndex;
} VkCommandPoolCreateInfo;
```

### 5.19.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is a bitmask indicating usage behavior for the pool and command buffers allocated from it. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits {
    VK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_TRANSIENT_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_RESET_COMMAND_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000002,
} VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits;
```

- VK\_COMMAND\_POOL\_CREATE\_TRANSIENT\_BIT indicates that command buffers allocated from the pool will be short-lived, meaning that they will be reset or freed in a relatively short timeframe. This flag may be used by the implementation to control memory allocation behavior within the pool.
- VK\_COMMAND\_POOL\_CREATE\_RESET\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_BIT controls whether command buffers allocated from the pool can be individually reset. If this flag is set, individual command buffers allocated from the pool can be reset either explicitly, by calling **vkResetCommandBuffer**, or implicitly, by calling **vkBeginCommandBuffer** on an executable command buffer. If this flag is not set, then **vkResetCommandBuffer** and **vkBeginCommandBuffer** (on an executable command buffer) must not be called on the command buffers allocated from the pool, and they can only be reset in bulk by calling **vkResetCommandPool**.
- *queueFamilyIndex* designates a queue family as described in section Queue Family Properties. All command buffers allocated from this command pool must be submitted on queues from the same queue family.

### 5.19.4 Description

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**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits` values
- *queueFamilyIndex* must be the index of a queue family available in the calling command's *device* parameter

**5.19.5 See Also**

`VkCommandPoolCreateFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateCommandPool`

**5.19.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandPoolCreateInfo>

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## 5.20 VkComponentMapping(3)

### 5.20.1 Name

VkComponentMapping - Structure specifying a color component mapping

### 5.20.2 C Specification

The VkComponentMapping structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkComponentMapping {  
    VkComponentSwizzle    r;  
    VkComponentSwizzle    g;  
    VkComponentSwizzle    b;  
    VkComponentSwizzle    a;  
} VkComponentMapping;
```

### 5.20.3 Members

- *r* determines the component value placed in the R component of the output vector.
- *g* determines the component value placed in the G component of the output vector.
- *b* determines the component value placed in the B component of the output vector.
- *a* determines the component value placed in the A component of the output vector.

### 5.20.4 Description

Each of *r*, *g*, *b*, and *a* is one of the values:

```
typedef enum VkComponentSwizzle {  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_IDENTITY = 0,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_ZERO = 1,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_ONE = 2,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_R = 3,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_G = 4,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_B = 5,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_A = 6,  
} VkComponentSwizzle;
```

- VK\_COMPONENT\_SWIZZLE\_IDENTITY: the component is set to the identity swizzle.
  - VK\_COMPONENT\_SWIZZLE\_ZERO: the component is set to zero.
  - VK\_COMPONENT\_SWIZZLE\_ONE: the component is set to either 1 or 1.0 depending on whether the type of the image view format is integer or floating-point respectively, as determined by the Format Definition section for each VkFormat.
  - VK\_COMPONENT\_SWIZZLE\_R: the component is set to the value of the R component of the image.
  - VK\_COMPONENT\_SWIZZLE\_G: the component is set to the value of the G component of the image.
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- `VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_B`: the component is set to the value of the B component of the image.
- `VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_A`: the component is set to the value of the A component of the image.

Setting the identity swizzle on a component is equivalent to setting the identity mapping on that component. That is:

Table 5: Component Mappings Equivalent To `VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_IDENTITY`

| Component           | Identity Mapping                    |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>components.r</i> | <code>VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_R</code> |
| <i>components.g</i> | <code>VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_G</code> |
| <i>components.b</i> | <code>VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_B</code> |
| <i>components.a</i> | <code>VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_A</code> |

#### Valid Usage

- *r* must be a valid `VkComponentSwizzle` value
- *g* must be a valid `VkComponentSwizzle` value
- *b* must be a valid `VkComponentSwizzle` value
- *a* must be a valid `VkComponentSwizzle` value

#### 5.20.5 See Also

`VkComponentSwizzle`, `VkImageViewCreateInfo`

#### 5.20.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkComponentMapping>

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## 5.21 VkComputePipelineCreateInfo(3)

### 5.21.1 Name

VkComputePipelineCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created compute pipeline

### 5.21.2 C Specification

The VkComputePipelineCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkComputePipelineCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkPipelineCreateFlags flags;
    VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo stage;
    VkPipelineLayout    layout;
    VkPipeline           basePipelineHandle;
    int32_t             basePipelineIndex;
} VkComputePipelineCreateInfo;
```

### 5.21.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* provides options for pipeline creation, and is of type VkPipelineCreateFlagBits.
- *stage* is a VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo describing the compute shader.
- *layout* is the description of binding locations used by both the pipeline and descriptor sets used with the pipeline.
- *basePipelineHandle* is a pipeline to derive from
- *basePipelineIndex* is an index into the *pCreateInfos* parameter to use as a pipeline to derive from

### 5.21.4 Description

The parameters *basePipelineHandle* and *basePipelineIndex* are described in more detail in Pipeline Derivatives. *stage* points to a structure of type VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo.

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COMPUTE\_PIPELINE\_CREATE\_INFO
  - *pNext* must be NULL
  - *flags* must be a valid combination of VkPipelineCreateFlagBits values
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- *stage* must be a valid `VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo` structure
- *layout* must be a valid `VkPipelineLayout` handle
- Both of *basePipelineHandle*, and *layout* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineIndex* is not `-1`, *basePipelineHandle* must be `VK_NULL_HANDLE`
- If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineIndex* is not `-1`, it must be a valid index into the calling command's *pCreateInfos* parameter
- If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineHandle* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *basePipelineIndex* must be `-1`
- If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineHandle* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *basePipelineHandle* must be a valid `VkPipeline` handle
- If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineHandle* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, it must be a valid handle to a compute `VkPipeline`
- The *stage* member of *stage* must be `VK_SHADER_STAGE_COMPUTE_BIT`
- The shader code for the entry point identified by *stage* and the rest of the state identified by this structure must adhere to the pipeline linking rules described in the Shader Interfaces chapter
- *layout* must be consistent with all shaders specified in *pStages*

### 5.21.5 See Also

`VkPipeline`, `VkPipelineCreateFlags`, `VkPipelineLayout`,  
`VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateComputePipelines`

### 5.21.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkComputePipelineCreateInfo>

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## 5.22 VkCopyDescriptorSet(3)

### 5.22.1 Name

VkCopyDescriptorSet - Structure specifying a copy descriptor set operation

### 5.22.2 C Specification

The VkCopyDescriptorSet structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkCopyDescriptorSet {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkDescriptorSet     srcSet;
    uint32_t           srcBinding;
    uint32_t           srcArrayElement;
    VkDescriptorSet     dstSet;
    uint32_t           dstBinding;
    uint32_t           dstArrayElement;
    uint32_t           descriptorCount;
} VkCopyDescriptorSet;
```

### 5.22.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *srcSet*, *srcBinding*, and *srcArrayElement* are the source set, binding, and array element, respectively.
- *dstSet*, *dstBinding*, and *dstArrayElement* are the destination set, binding, and array element, respectively.
- *descriptorCount* is the number of descriptors to copy from the source to destination. If *descriptorCount* is greater than the number of remaining array elements in the source or destination binding, those affect consecutive bindings in a manner similar to *VkWriteDescriptorSet* above.

### 5.22.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COPY\_DESCRIPTOR\_SET
  - *pNext* must be NULL
  - *srcSet* must be a valid VkDescriptorSet handle
  - *dstSet* must be a valid VkDescriptorSet handle
  - Both of *dstSet*, and *srcSet* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice
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- *srcBinding* must be a valid binding within *srcSet*
- The sum of *srcArrayElement* and *descriptorCount* must be less than or equal to the number of array elements in the descriptor set binding specified by *srcBinding*, and all applicable consecutive bindings, as described by consecutive binding updates
- *dstBinding* must be a valid binding within *dstSet*
- The sum of *dstArrayElement* and *descriptorCount* must be less than or equal to the number of array elements in the descriptor set binding specified by *dstBinding*, and all applicable consecutive bindings, as described by consecutive binding updates
- If *srcSet* is equal to *dstSet*, then the source and destination ranges of descriptors must not overlap, where the ranges may include array elements from consecutive bindings as described by consecutive binding updates

#### 5.22.5 See Also

VkDescriptorSet, VkStructureType, vkUpdateDescriptorSets

#### 5.22.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCopyDescriptorSet>

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## 5.23 VkDescriptorBufferInfo(3)

### 5.23.1 Name

VkDescriptorBufferInfo - Structure specifying descriptor buffer info

### 5.23.2 C Specification

The VkDescriptorBufferInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorBufferInfo {  
    VkBuffer      buffer;  
    VkDeviceSize  offset;  
    VkDeviceSize  range;  
} VkDescriptorBufferInfo;
```

### 5.23.3 Members

- *buffer* is the buffer resource.
- *offset* is the offset in bytes from the start of *buffer*. Access to buffer memory via this descriptor uses addressing that is relative to this starting offset.
- *range* is the size in bytes that is used for this descriptor update, or VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE to use the range from *offset* to the end of the buffer.



#### Note

When using VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE, the effective range must not be larger than the maximum range for the descriptor type (`maxUniformBufferRange` or `maxStorageBufferRange`). This means that VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE is not typically useful in the common case where uniform buffer descriptors are suballocated from a buffer that is much larger than `maxUniformBufferRange`.

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For VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_UNIFORM\_BUFFER\_DYNAMIC and VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_BUFFER\_DYNAMIC descriptor types, *offset* is the base offset from which the dynamic offset is applied and *range* is the static size used for all dynamic offsets.

### 5.23.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *buffer* must be a valid VkBuffer handle
  - *offset* must be less than the size of *buffer*
  - If *range* is not equal to VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE, *range* must be greater than 0
  - If *range* is not equal to VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE, *range* must be less than or equal to the size of *buffer* minus *offset*
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**5.23.5 See Also**

VkBuffer, VkDeviceSize, VkWriteDescriptorSet

**5.23.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorBufferInfo>

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## 5.24 VkDescriptorImageInfo(3)

### 5.24.1 Name

VkDescriptorImageInfo - Structure specifying descriptor image info

### 5.24.2 C Specification

The VkDescriptorImageInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorImageInfo {  
    VkSampler      sampler;  
    VkImageView     imageView;  
    VkImageLayout  imageLayout;  
} VkDescriptorImageInfo;
```

### 5.24.3 Members

- *sampler* is a sampler handle, and is used in descriptor updates for types VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_SAMPLER and VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_COMBINED\_IMAGE\_SAMPLER if the binding being updated does not use immutable samplers.
- *imageView* is an image view handle, and is used in descriptor updates for types VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_IMAGE, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_COMBINED\_IMAGE\_SAMPLER, and VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_INPUT\_ATTACHMENT.
- *imageLayout* is the layout that the image will be in at the time this descriptor is accessed. *imageLayout* is used in descriptor updates for types VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_IMAGE, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_COMBINED\_IMAGE\_SAMPLER, and VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_INPUT\_ATTACHMENT.

### 5.24.4 Description

Members of VkDescriptorImageInfo that are not used in an update (as described above) are ignored.

#### Valid Usage

- Both of *imageView*, and *sampler* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

### 5.24.5 See Also

VkImageLayout, VkImageView, VkSampler, VkWriteDescriptorSet

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#### 5.24.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorImageInfo>

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## 5.25 VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo(3)

### 5.25.1 Name

VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created descriptor pool

### 5.25.2 C Specification

Additional information about the pool is passed in an instance of the VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo structure:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t                  maxSets;
    uint32_t                  poolSizeCount;
    const VkDescriptorPoolSize* pPoolSizes;
} VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo;
```

### 5.25.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* specifies certain supported operations on the pool. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits {
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_POOL_CREATE_FREE_DESCRIPTOR_SET_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits;
```

If *flags* includes VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_POOL\_CREATE\_FREE\_DESCRIPTOR\_SET\_BIT, then descriptor sets can return their individual allocations to the pool, i.e. all of **vkAllocateDescriptorSets**, **vkFreeDescriptorSets**, and **vkResetDescriptorPool** are allowed. Otherwise, descriptor sets allocated from the pool must not be individually freed back to the pool, i.e. only **vkAllocateDescriptorSets** and **vkResetDescriptorPool** are allowed.

- *maxSets* is the maximum number of descriptor sets that can be allocated from the pool.
- *poolSizeCount* is the number of elements in *pPoolSizes*.
- *pPoolSizes* is a pointer to an array of VkDescriptorPoolSize structures, each containing a descriptor type and number of descriptors of that type to be allocated in the pool.

### 5.25.4 Description

If multiple VkDescriptorPoolSize structures appear in the *pPoolSizes* array then the pool will be created with enough storage for the total number of descriptors of each type.

Fragmentation of a descriptor pool is possible and may lead to descriptor set allocation failures. A failure due to fragmentation is defined as failing a descriptor set allocation despite the sum of all outstanding descriptor set allocations from the pool plus the requested allocation requiring no more than the total number of descriptors requested at pool creation. Implementations provide certain guarantees of when fragmentation must not cause allocation failure, as described below.

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If a descriptor pool has not had any descriptor sets freed since it was created or most recently reset then fragmentation must not cause an allocation failure (note that this is always the case for a pool created without the `VK_DESCRIPTOR_POOL_CREATE_FREE_DESCRIPTOR_SET_BIT` bit set). Additionally, if all sets allocated from the pool since it was created or most recently reset use the same number of descriptors (of each type) and the requested allocation also uses that same number of descriptors (of each type), then fragmentation must not cause an allocation failure.

If an allocation failure occurs due to fragmentation, an application can create an additional descriptor pool to perform further descriptor set allocations.

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DESCRIPTOR_POOL_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits` values
- *pPoolSizes* must be a pointer to an array of *poolSizeCount* valid `VkDescriptorPoolSize` structures
- *poolSizeCount* must be greater than 0
- *maxSets* must be greater than 0

#### 5.25.5 See Also

`VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags`, `VkDescriptorPoolSize`, `VkStructureType`,  
`vkCreateDescriptorPool`

#### 5.25.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo>

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## 5.26 VkDescriptorPoolSize(3)

### 5.26.1 Name

VkDescriptorPoolSize - Structure specifying descriptor pool size

### 5.26.2 C Specification

The VkDescriptorPoolSize structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorPoolSize {  
    VkDescriptorType    type;  
    uint32_t            descriptorCount;  
} VkDescriptorPoolSize;
```

### 5.26.3 Members

- *type* is the type of descriptor.
- *descriptorCount* is the number of descriptors of that type to allocate.

### 5.26.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *type* must be a valid VkDescriptorType value
- *descriptorCount* must be greater than 0

### 5.26.5 See Also

VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo, VkDescriptorType

### 5.26.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorPoolSize>

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## 5.27 VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo(3)

### 5.27.1 Name

VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo - Structure specifying the allocation parameters for descriptor sets

### 5.27.2 C Specification

The VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkDescriptorPool    descriptorPool;
    uint32_t           descriptorSetCount;
    const VkDescriptorSetLayout* pSetLayouts;
} VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo;
```

### 5.27.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *descriptorPool* is the pool which the sets will be allocated from.
- *descriptorSetCount* determines the number of descriptor sets to be allocated from the pool.
- *pSetLayouts* is an array of descriptor set layouts, with each member specifying how the corresponding descriptor set is allocated.

### 5.27.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_DESCRIPTOR\_SET\_ALLOCATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *descriptorPool* must be a valid VkDescriptorPool handle
- *pSetLayouts* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorSetCount* valid VkDescriptorSetLayout handles
- *descriptorSetCount* must be greater than 0
- Both of *descriptorPool*, and the elements of *pSetLayouts* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

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- *descriptorSetCount* must not be greater than the number of sets that are currently available for allocation in *descriptorPool*
  - *descriptorPool* must have enough free descriptor capacity remaining to allocate the descriptor sets of the specified layouts

#### 5.27.5 See Also

VkDescriptorPool, VkDescriptorSetLayout, VkStructureType, vkAllocateDescriptorSets

#### 5.27.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo>

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## 5.28 VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding(3)

### 5.28.1 Name

VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding - Structure specifying a descriptor set layout binding

### 5.28.2 C Specification

The VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding {
    uint32_t      binding;
    VkDescriptorType descriptorType;
    uint32_t      descriptorCount;
    VkShaderStageFlags stageFlags;
    const VkSampler* pImmutableSamplers;
} VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding;
```

### 5.28.3 Members

- *binding* is the binding number of this entry and corresponds to a resource of the same binding number in the shader stages.
- *descriptorType* is a VkDescriptorType specifying which type of resource descriptors are used for this binding.
- *descriptorCount* is the number of descriptors contained in the binding, accessed in a shader as an array. If *descriptorCount* is zero this binding entry is reserved and the resource must not be accessed from any stage via this binding within any pipeline using the set layout.
- *stageFlags* member is a bitmask of VkShaderStageFlagBits specifying which pipeline shader stages can access a resource for this binding. VK\_SHADER\_STAGE\_ALL is a shorthand specifying that all defined shader stages, including any additional stages defined by extensions, can access the resource.

If a shader stage is not included in *stageFlags*, then a resource must not be accessed from that stage via this binding within any pipeline using the set layout. There are no limitations on what combinations of stages can be used by a descriptor binding, and in particular a binding can be used by both graphics stages and the compute stage.

- *pImmutableSamplers* affects initialization of samplers. If *descriptorType* specifies a VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_SAMPLER or VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_COMBINED\_IMAGE\_SAMPLER type descriptor, then *pImmutableSamplers* can be used to initialize a set of *immutable samplers*. Immutable samplers are permanently bound into the set layout; later binding a sampler into an immutable sampler slot in a descriptor set is not allowed. If *pImmutableSamplers* is not NULL, then it is considered to be a pointer to an array of sampler handles that will be consumed by the set layout and used for the corresponding binding. If *pImmutableSamplers* is NULL, then the sampler slots are dynamic and sampler handles must be bound into descriptor sets using this layout. If *descriptorType* is not one of these descriptor types, then *pImmutableSamplers* is ignored.

### 5.28.4 Description

The above layout definition allows the descriptor bindings to be specified sparsely such that not all binding numbers between 0 and the maximum binding number need to be specified in the *pBindings* array. However, all binding numbers between 0 and the maximum binding number may consume memory in the descriptor set layout even if not all descriptor bindings are used, though it should not consume additional memory from the descriptor pool.

**Note**

The maximum binding number specified should be as compact as possible to avoid wasted memory.

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**Valid Usage**

- *descriptorType* must be a valid `VkDescriptorType` value
- If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, and *descriptorCount* is not 0 and *pImmutableSamplers* is not NULL, *pImmutableSamplers* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorCount* valid `VkSampler` handles
- If *descriptorCount* is not 0, *stageFlags* must be a valid combination of `VkShaderStageFlagBits` values

**5.28.5 See Also**

`VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo`, `VkDescriptorType`, `VkSampler`, `VkShaderStageFlags`

**5.28.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding>

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## 5.29 VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo(3)

### 5.29.1 Name

VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created descriptor set layout

### 5.29.2 C Specification

Information about the descriptor set layout is passed in an instance of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo` structure:

```
typedef struct VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t                  bindingCount;
    const VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding* pBindings;
} VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo;
```

### 5.29.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *bindingCount* is the number of elements in *pBindings*.
- *pBindings* is a pointer to an array of `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structures.

### 5.29.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DESCRIPTOR_SET_LAYOUT_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- If *bindingCount* is not 0, *pBindings* must be a pointer to an array of *bindingCount* valid `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structures

### 5.29.5 See Also

`VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding`, `VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout`

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### 5.29.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo>

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## 5.30 VkDeviceCreateInfo(3)

### 5.30.1 Name

VkDeviceCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created device

### 5.30.2 C Specification

The VkDeviceCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDeviceCreateInfo {  
    VkStructureType           sType;  
    const void*               pNext;  
    VkDeviceCreateFlags       flags;  
    uint32_t                  queueCreateInfoCount;  
    const VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo* pQueueCreateInfos;  
    uint32_t                  enabledLayerCount;  
    const char* const*        ppEnabledLayerNames;  
    uint32_t                  enabledExtensionCount;  
    const char* const*        ppEnabledExtensionNames;  
    const VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures* pEnabledFeatures;  
} VkDeviceCreateInfo;
```

### 5.30.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *queueCreateInfoCount* is the unsigned integer size of the *pQueueCreateInfos* array. Refer to the Queue Creation section below for further details.
- *pQueueCreateInfos* is a pointer to an array of *VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo* structures describing the queues that are requested to be created along with the logical device. Refer to the Queue Creation section below for further details.
- *enabledLayerCount* is deprecated and ignored.
- *ppEnabledLayerNames* is deprecated and ignored. See Device Layer Deprecation.
- *enabledExtensionCount* is the number of device extensions to enable.
- *ppEnabledExtensionNames* is a pointer to an array of *enabledExtensionCount* null-terminated UTF-8 strings containing the names of extensions to enable for the created device. See the Extensions section for further details.
- *pEnabledFeatures* is NULL or a pointer to a *VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures* structure that contains boolean indicators of all the features to be enabled. Refer to the Features section for further details.

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#### 5.30.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEVICE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be `0`
- *pQueueCreateInfos* must be a pointer to an array of *queueCreateInfoCount* valid `VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo` structures
- If *enabledLayerCount* is not `0`, *ppEnabledLayerNames* must be a pointer to an array of *enabledLayerCount* null-terminated strings
- If *enabledExtensionCount* is not `0`, *ppEnabledExtensionNames* must be a pointer to an array of *enabledExtensionCount* null-terminated strings
- If *pEnabledFeatures* is not `NULL`, *pEnabledFeatures* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures` structure
- *queueCreateInfoCount* must be greater than `0`
- The *queueFamilyIndex* member of any given element of *pQueueCreateInfos* must be unique within *pQueueCreateInfos*

#### 5.30.5 See Also

`VkDeviceCreateFlags`, `VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo`, `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateDevice`

#### 5.30.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDeviceCreateInfo>

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## 5.31 VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo(3)

### 5.31.1 Name

VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created device queue

### 5.31.2 C Specification

The VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t            queueFamilyIndex;
    uint32_t            queueCount;
    const float*        pQueuePriorities;
} VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo;
```

### 5.31.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *queueFamilyIndex* is an unsigned integer indicating the index of the queue family to create on this device. This index corresponds to the index of an element of the *pQueueFamilyProperties* array that was returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties**.
- *queueCount* is an unsigned integer specifying the number of queues to create in the queue family indicated by *queueFamilyIndex*.
- *pQueuePriorities* is an array of *queueCount* normalized floating point values, specifying priorities of work that will be submitted to each created queue. See Queue Priority for more information.

### 5.31.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_DEVICE\_QUEUE\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- *pQueuePriorities* must be a pointer to an array of *queueCount* float values

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- *queueCount* must be greater than 0
  - *queueFamilyIndex* must be less than *pQueueFamilyPropertyCount* returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties**
  - *queueCount* must be less than or equal to the *queueCount* member of the *VkQueueFamilyProperties* structure, as returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties** in the *pQueueFamilyProperties[queueFamilyIndex]*
  - Each element of *pQueuePriorities* must be between 0.0 and 1.0 inclusive

### 5.31.5 See Also

VkDeviceCreateInfo, VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags, VkStructureType

### 5.31.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo>

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## 5.32 VkDispatchIndirectCommand(3)

### 5.32.1 Name

VkDispatchIndirectCommand - Structure specifying a dispatch indirect command

### 5.32.2 C Specification

The VkDispatchIndirectCommand structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDispatchIndirectCommand {  
    uint32_t    x;  
    uint32_t    y;  
    uint32_t    z;  
} VkDispatchIndirectCommand;
```

### 5.32.3 Members

- *x* is the number of local workgroups to dispatch in the X dimension.
- *y* is the number of local workgroups to dispatch in the Y dimension.
- *z* is the number of local workgroups to dispatch in the Z dimension.

### 5.32.4 Description

The members of VkDispatchIndirectCommand structure have the same meaning as the similarly named parameters of vkCmdDispatch.

#### Valid Usage

- *x* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxComputeWorkGroupCount[0]`
- *y* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxComputeWorkGroupCount[1]`
- *z* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxComputeWorkGroupCount[2]`

### 5.32.5 See Also

`vkCmdDispatchIndirect`

### 5.32.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDispatchIndirectCommand>

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## 5.33 VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand(3)

### 5.33.1 Name

VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand - Structure specifying a draw indexed indirect command

### 5.33.2 C Specification

The VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand {
    uint32_t    indexCount;
    uint32_t    instanceCount;
    uint32_t    firstIndex;
    int32_t     vertexOffset;
    uint32_t    firstInstance;
} VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand;
```

### 5.33.3 Members

- *indexCount* is the number of vertices to draw.
- *instanceCount* is the number of instances to draw.
- *firstIndex* is the base index within the index buffer.
- *vertexOffset* is the value added to the vertex index before indexing into the vertex buffer.
- *firstInstance* is the instance ID of the first instance to draw.

### 5.33.4 Description

The members of VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand have the same meaning as the similarly named parameters of vkCmdDrawIndexed.

#### Valid Usage

- For a given vertex buffer binding, any attribute data fetched must be entirely contained within the corresponding vertex buffer binding, as described in [?]
- $(indexSize * (firstIndex + indexCount) + offset)$  must be less than or equal to the size of the currently bound index buffer, with *indexSize* being based on the type specified by *indexType*, where the index buffer, *indexType*, and *offset* are specified via **vkCmdBindIndexBuffer**
- If the drawIndirectFirstInstance feature is not enabled, *firstInstance* must be 0



**5.33.5 See Also**

`vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect`

**5.33.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand>

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## 5.34 VkDrawIndirectCommand(3)

### 5.34.1 Name

VkDrawIndirectCommand - Structure specifying a draw indirect command

### 5.34.2 C Specification

The VkDrawIndirectCommand structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkDrawIndirectCommand {
    uint32_t    vertexCount;
    uint32_t    instanceCount;
    uint32_t    firstVertex;
    uint32_t    firstInstance;
} VkDrawIndirectCommand;
```

### 5.34.3 Members

- *vertexCount* is the number of vertices to draw.
- *instanceCount* is the number of instances to draw.
- *firstVertex* is the index of the first vertex to draw.
- *firstInstance* is the instance ID of the first instance to draw.

### 5.34.4 Description

The members of VkDrawIndirectCommand have the same meaning as the similarly named parameters of vkCmdDraw.

#### Valid Usage

- For a given vertex buffer binding, any attribute data fetched must be entirely contained within the corresponding vertex buffer binding, as described in [?]
- If the drawIndirectFirstInstance feature is not enabled, *firstInstance* must be 0

### 5.34.5 See Also

vkCmdDrawIndirect

### 5.34.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDrawIndirectCommand>

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## 5.35 VkEventCreateInfo(3)

### 5.35.1 Name

VkEventCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created event

### 5.35.2 C Specification

The VkEventCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkEventCreateInfo {  
    VkStructureType    sType;  
    const void*        pNext;  
    VkEventCreateFlags  flags;  
} VkEventCreateInfo;
```

### 5.35.3 Members

- *flags* is reserved for future use.

### 5.35.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_EVENT\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0

### 5.35.5 See Also

VkEventCreateFlags, VkStructureType, vkCreateEvent

### 5.35.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkEventCreateInfo>

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## 5.36 VkExtensionProperties(3)

### 5.36.1 Name

VkExtensionProperties - Structure specifying a extension properties

### 5.36.2 C Specification

The VkExtensionProperties structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkExtensionProperties {  
    char        extensionName[VK_MAX_EXTENSION_NAME_SIZE];  
    uint32_t    specVersion;  
} VkExtensionProperties;
```

### 5.36.3 Members

- *extensionName* is a null-terminated string specifying the name of the extension.
- *specVersion* is the version of this extension. It is an integer, incremented with backward compatible changes.

### 5.36.4 Description

### 5.36.5 See Also

vkEnumerateDeviceExtensionProperties, vkEnumerateInstanceExtensionProperties

### 5.36.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkExtensionProperties>

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## 5.37 VkExtent2D(3)

### 5.37.1 Name

VkExtent2D - Structure specifying a two-dimensional extent

### 5.37.2 C Specification

A two-dimensional extent is defined by the structure:

```
typedef struct VkExtent2D {  
    uint32_t    width;  
    uint32_t    height;  
} VkExtent2D;
```

### 5.37.3 Members

### 5.37.4 Description

### 5.37.5 See Also

VkRect2D, vkGetRenderAreaGranularity

### 5.37.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkExtent2D>

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## 5.38 VkExtent3D(3)

### 5.38.1 Name

VkExtent3D - Structure specifying a three-dimensional extent

### 5.38.2 C Specification

A three-dimensional extent is defined by the structure:

```
typedef struct VkExtent3D {  
    uint32_t    width;  
    uint32_t    height;  
    uint32_t    depth;  
} VkExtent3D;
```

### 5.38.3 Members

### 5.38.4 Description

### 5.38.5 See Also

VkBufferImageCopy, VkImageCopy, VkImageCreateInfo, VkImageFormatProperties, VkImageResolve, VkQueueFamilyProperties, VkSparseImageFormatProperties, VkSparseImageMemoryBind

### 5.38.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkExtent3D>

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## 5.39 VkFenceCreateInfo(3)

### 5.39.1 Name

VkFenceCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created fence

### 5.39.2 C Specification

The VkFenceCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkFenceCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkFenceCreateFlags flags;
} VkFenceCreateInfo;
```

### 5.39.3 Members

- *flags* defines the initial state and behavior of the fence. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkFenceCreateFlagBits {
    VK_FENCE_CREATE_SIGNALED_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkFenceCreateFlagBits;
```

If *flags* contains VK\_FENCE\_CREATE\_SIGNALED\_BIT then the fence object is created in the signaled state. Otherwise it is created in the unsignaled state.

### 5.39.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_FENCE\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be a valid combination of VkFenceCreateFlagBits values

### 5.39.5 See Also

VkFenceCreateFlags, VkStructureType, vkCreateFence

### 5.39.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFenceCreateInfo>

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## 5.40 VkFormatProperties(3)

### 5.40.1 Name

VkFormatProperties - Structure specifying image format properties

### 5.40.2 C Specification

The `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkFormatProperties {
    VkFormatFeatureFlags    linearTilingFeatures;
    VkFormatFeatureFlags    optimalTilingFeatures;
    VkFormatFeatureFlags    bufferFeatures;
} VkFormatProperties;
```

### 5.40.3 Members

- *linearTilingFeatures* describes the features supported by `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR`.
- *optimalTilingFeatures* describes the features supported by `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`.
- *bufferFeatures* describes the features supported by buffers.

### 5.40.4 Description

Supported features are described as a set of `VkFormatFeatureFlagBits`:

```
typedef enum VkFormatFeatureFlagBits {
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_IMAGE_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_IMAGE_ATOMIC_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_ATOMIC_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000040,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000080,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BLEND_BIT = 0x00000100,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000200,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_SRC_BIT = 0x00000400,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT = 0x00000800,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT = 0x00001000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG = 0x00002000,
} VkFormatFeatureFlagBits;
```

The *linearTilingFeatures* and *optimalTilingFeatures* members of the `VkFormatProperties` structure describe what features are supported by `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR` and `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL` images, respectively.

The following bits may be set in *linearTilingFeatures* and *optimalTilingFeatures*, indicating they are supported by images or image views created with the queried `vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties::format`:

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**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_BIT**

VkImageView can be sampled from. See sampled images section.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_STORAGE\_IMAGE\_BIT**

VkImageView can be used as storage image. See storage images section.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_STORAGE\_IMAGE\_ATOMIC\_BIT**

VkImageView can be used as storage image that supports atomic operations.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT**

VkImageView can be used as a framebuffer color attachment and as an input attachment.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_BLEND\_BIT**

VkImageView can be used as a framebuffer color attachment that supports blending and as an input attachment.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT**

VkImageView can be used as a framebuffer depth/stencil attachment and as an input attachment.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_BLIT\_SRC\_BIT**

VkImage can be used as *srcImage* for the **vkCmdBlitImage** command.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_BLIT\_DST\_BIT**

VkImage can be used as *dstImage* for the **vkCmdBlitImage** command.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_FILTER\_LINEAR\_BIT**

If **VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_BIT** is also set, *VkImageView* can be used with a sampler that has either of *magFilter* or *minFilter* set to **VK\_FILTER\_LINEAR**, or *mipmapMode* set to **VK\_SAMPLER\_MIPMAP\_MODE\_LINEAR**. If **VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_BLIT\_SRC\_BIT** is also set, *VkImage* can be used as the *srcImage* to **vkCmdBlitImage** with a *filter* of **VK\_FILTER\_LINEAR**. This bit must only be exposed for formats that also support the **VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_BIT** or **VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_BLIT\_SRC\_BIT**.

If the format being queried is a depth/stencil format, this bit only indicates that the depth aspect (not the stencil aspect) of an image of this format supports linear filtering, and that linear filtering of the depth aspect is supported whether depth compare is enabled in the sampler or not. If this bit is not present, linear filtering with depth compare disabled is unsupported and linear filtering with depth compare enabled is supported, but may compute the filtered value in an implementation-dependent manner which differs from the normal rules of linear filtering. The resulting value must be in the range  $[0, 1]$  and should be proportional to, or a weighted average of, the number of comparison passes or failures.

The following features may appear in *bufferFeatures*, indicating they are supported by buffers or buffer views created with the queried **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties::format**:

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_UNIFORM\_TEXEL\_BUFFER\_BIT**

Format can be used to create a *VkBufferView* that can be bound to a **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_UNIFORM\_TEXEL\_BUFFER** descriptor.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_STORAGE\_TEXEL\_BUFFER\_BIT**

Format can be used to create a *VkBufferView* that can be bound to a **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_TEXEL\_BUFFER** descriptor.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_STORAGE\_TEXEL\_BUFFER\_ATOMIC\_BIT**

Atomic operations are supported on **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_TEXEL\_BUFFER** with this format.

**VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_VERTEX\_BUFFER\_BIT**

Format can be used as a vertex attribute format (**VkVertexInputAttributeDescription::format**).

**Note**

If no format feature flags are supported, then the only possible use would be image transfers - which alone are not useful. As such, if no format feature flags are supported, the format itself is not supported, and images of that format cannot be created.

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If *format* is a block-compression format, then buffers must not support any features for the format.

**5.40.5 See Also**

`VkFormatFeatureFlags`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`

**5.40.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFormatProperties>

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## 5.41 VkFramebufferCreateInfo(3)

### 5.41.1 Name

VkFramebufferCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created framebuffer

### 5.41.2 C Specification

The VkFramebufferCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkFramebufferCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType      sType;
    const void*          pNext;
    VkFramebufferCreateFlags flags;
    VkRenderPass          renderPass;
    uint32_t             attachmentCount;
    const VkImageView*    pAttachments;
    uint32_t             width;
    uint32_t             height;
    uint32_t             layers;
} VkFramebufferCreateInfo;
```

### 5.41.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *renderPass* is a render pass that defines what render passes the framebuffer will be compatible with. See Render Pass Compatibility for details.
- *attachmentCount* is the number of attachments.
- *pAttachments* is an array of *VkImageView* handles, each of which will be used as the corresponding attachment in a render pass instance.
- *width*, *height* and *layers* define the dimensions of the framebuffer.

### 5.41.4 Description

Image subresources used as attachments must not be used via any non-attachment usage for the duration of a render pass instance.



#### Note

This restriction means that the render pass has full knowledge of all uses of all of the attachments, so that the implementation is able to make correct decisions about when and how to perform layout transitions, when to overlap execution of subpasses, etc.

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It is legal for a subpass to use no color or depth/stencil attachments, and rather use shader side effects such as image stores and atomics to produce an output. In this case, the subpass continues to use the *width*, *height*, and *layers* of the framebuffer to define the dimensions of the rendering area, and the *rasterizationSamples* from each pipeline's `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo` to define the number of samples used in rasterization; however, if `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures::variableMultisampleRate` is **VK\_FALSE**, then all pipelines to be bound with a given zero-attachment subpass must have the same value for `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo::rasterizationSamples`.

### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_FRAMEBUFFER_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be 0
- *renderPass* must be a valid `VkRenderPass` handle
- If *attachmentCount* is not 0, *pAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *attachmentCount* valid `VkImageView` handles
- Both of *renderPass*, and the elements of *pAttachments* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *attachmentCount* must be equal to the attachment count specified in *renderPass*
- Any given element of *pAttachments* that is used as a color attachment or resolve attachment by *renderPass* must have been created with a *usage* value including `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
- Any given element of *pAttachments* that is used as a depth/stencil attachment by *renderPass* must have been created with a *usage* value including `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
- Any given element of *pAttachments* that is used as an input attachment by *renderPass* must have been created with a *usage* value including `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
- Any given element of *pAttachments* must have been created with an `VkFormat` value that matches the `VkFormat` specified by the corresponding `VkAttachmentDescription` in *renderPass*
- Any given element of *pAttachments* must have been created with a *samples* value that matches the *samples* value specified by the corresponding `VkAttachmentDescription` in *renderPass*
- Any given element of *pAttachments* must have dimensions at least as large as the corresponding framebuffer dimension
- Any given element of *pAttachments* must only specify a single mip level
- Any given element of *pAttachments* must have been created with the identity swizzle
- *width* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxFramebufferWidth`
- *height* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxFramebufferHeight`
- *layers* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxFramebufferLayers`

#### 5.41.5 See Also

VkFramebufferCreateFlags, VkImageView, VkRenderPass, VkStructureType, vkCreateFramebuffer

#### 5.41.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFramebufferCreateInfo>

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## 5.42 VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo(3)

### 5.42.1 Name

VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created graphics pipeline

### 5.42.2 C Specification

The VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkPipelineCreateFlags     flags;
    uint32_t                  stageCount;
    const VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo* pStages;
    const VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo* pVertexInputState;
    const VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo* pInputAssemblyState;
    const VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo* pTessellationState;
    const VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo* pViewportState;
    const VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo* pRasterizationState;
    const VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo* pMultisampleState;
    const VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo* pDepthStencilState;
    const VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo* pColorBlendState;
    const VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo* pDynamicState;
    VkPipelineLayout           layout;
    VkRenderPass               renderPass;
    uint32_t                   subpass;
    VkPipeline                 basePipelineHandle;
    int32_t                    basePipelineIndex;
} VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo;
```

### 5.42.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
  - *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
  - *flags* is a bitmask of `VkPipelineCreateFlagBits` controlling how the pipeline will be generated, as described below.
  - *stageCount* is the number of entries in the *pStages* array.
  - *pStages* is an array of size *stageCount* structures of type `VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo` describing the set of the shader stages to be included in the graphics pipeline.
  - *pVertexInputState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo` structure.
  - *pInputAssemblyState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo` structure which determines input assembly behavior, as described in Drawing Commands.
  - *pTessellationState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo` structure, or NULL if the pipeline does not include a tessellation control shader stage and tessellation evaluation shader stage.
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- *pViewportState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo` structure, or NULL if the pipeline has rasterization disabled.
- *pRasterizationState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` structure.
- *pMultisampleState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo`, or NULL if the pipeline has rasterization disabled.
- *pDepthStencilState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` structure, or NULL if the pipeline has rasterization disabled or if the subpass of the render pass the pipeline is created against does not use a depth/stencil attachment.
- *pColorBlendState* is a pointer to an instance of the `VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo` structure, or NULL if the pipeline has rasterization disabled or if the subpass of the render pass the pipeline is created against does not use any color attachments.
- *pDynamicState* is a pointer to `VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo` and is used to indicate which properties of the pipeline state object are dynamic and can be changed independently of the pipeline state. This can be NULL, which means no state in the pipeline is considered dynamic.
- *layout* is the description of binding locations used by both the pipeline and descriptor sets used with the pipeline.
- *renderPass* is a handle to a render pass object describing the environment in which the pipeline will be used; the pipeline can be used with an instance of any render pass compatible with the one provided. See [Render Pass Compatibility](#) for more information.
- *subpass* is the index of the subpass in *renderPass* where this pipeline will be used.
- *basePipelineHandle* is a pipeline to derive from.
- *basePipelineIndex* is an index into the *pCreateInfos* parameter to use as a pipeline to derive from.

#### 5.42.4 Description

The parameters *basePipelineHandle* and *basePipelineIndex* are described in more detail in [Pipeline Derivatives](#).

*pStages* points to an array of `VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo` structures, which were previously described in [Compute Pipelines](#).

Bits which can be set in *flags* are:

```
typedef enum VkPipelineCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DISABLE_OPTIMIZATION_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_ALLOW_DERIVATIVES_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT = 0x00000004,  
} VkPipelineCreateFlagBits;
```

- `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DISABLE_OPTIMIZATION_BIT` specifies that the created pipeline will not be optimized. Using this flag may reduce the time taken to create the pipeline.
  - `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_ALLOW_DERIVATIVES_BIT` specifies that the pipeline to be created is allowed to be the parent of a pipeline that will be created in a subsequent call to `vkCreateGraphicsPipelines`.
  - `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` specifies that the pipeline to be created will be a child of a previously created parent pipeline.
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It is valid to set both `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_ALLOW_DERIVATIVES_BIT` and `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT`. This allows a pipeline to be both a parent and possibly a child in a pipeline hierarchy. See Pipeline Derivatives for more information.

*pDynamicState* points to a structure of type `VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo`.

### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_GRAPHICS_PIPELINE_CREATE_INFO`
  - *pNext* must be `NULL`
  - *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineCreateFlagBits` values
  - *pStages* must be a pointer to an array of *stageCount* valid `VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo` structures
  - *pVertexInputState* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo` structure
  - *pInputAssemblyState* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo` structure
  - *pRasterizationState* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` structure
  - If *pDynamicState* is not `NULL`, *pDynamicState* must be a pointer to a valid `VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo` structure
  - *layout* must be a valid `VkPipelineLayout` handle
  - *renderPass* must be a valid `VkRenderPass` handle
  - *stageCount* must be greater than 0
  - Each of *basePipelineHandle*, *layout*, and *renderPass* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
  - If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineIndex* is not `-1`, *basePipelineHandle* must be `VK_NULL_HANDLE`
  - If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineIndex* is not `-1`, it must be a valid index into the calling command's *pCreateInfos* parameter
  - If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineHandle* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *basePipelineIndex* must be `-1`
  - If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineHandle* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *basePipelineHandle* must be a valid `VkPipeline` handle
  - If *flags* contains the `VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT` flag, and *basePipelineHandle* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, it must be a valid handle to a graphics `VkPipeline`
  - The *stage* member of each element of *pStages* must be unique
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- The *stage* member of one element of *pStages* must be `VK_SHADER_STAGE_VERTEX_BIT`
- The *stage* member of any given element of *pStages* must not be `VK_SHADER_STAGE_COMPUTE_BIT`
- If *pStages* includes a tessellation control shader stage, it must include a tessellation evaluation shader stage
- If *pStages* includes a tessellation evaluation shader stage, it must include a tessellation control shader stage
- If *pStages* includes a tessellation control shader stage and a tessellation evaluation shader stage, *pTessellationState* must not be `NULL`
- If *pStages* includes tessellation shader stages, the shader code of at least one stage must contain an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies the type of subdivision in the pipeline
- If *pStages* includes tessellation shader stages, and the shader code of both stages contain an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies the type of subdivision in the pipeline, they must both specify the same subdivision mode
- If *pStages* includes tessellation shader stages, the shader code of at least one stage must contain an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies the output patch size in the pipeline
- If *pStages* includes tessellation shader stages, and the shader code of both contain an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies the out patch size in the pipeline, they must both specify the same patch size
- If *pStages* includes tessellation shader stages, the *topology* member of *pInputAssembly* must be `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_PATCH_LIST`
- If the *topology* member of *pInputAssembly* is `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_PATCH_LIST`, *pStages* must include tessellation shader stages
- If *pStages* includes a geometry shader stage, and does not include any tessellation shader stages, its shader code must contain an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies an input primitive type that is compatible with the primitive topology specified in *pInputAssembly*
- If *pStages* includes a geometry shader stage, and also includes tessellation shader stages, its shader code must contain an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies an input primitive type that is compatible with the primitive topology that is output by the tessellation stages
- If *pStages* includes a fragment shader stage and a geometry shader stage, and the fragment shader code reads from an input variable that is decorated with **PrimitiveID**, then the geometry shader code must write to a matching output variable, decorated with **PrimitiveID**, in all execution paths
- If *pStages* includes a fragment shader stage, its shader code must not read from any input attachment that is defined as `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED` in *subpass*
- The shader code for the entry points identified by *pStages*, and the rest of the state identified by this structure must adhere to the pipeline linking rules described in the Shader Interfaces chapter
- If *subpass* uses a depth/stencil attachment in *renderpass* that has a layout of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL` in the `VkAttachmentReference` defined by *subpass*, and *pDepthStencilState* is not `NULL`, the *depthWriteEnable* member of *pDepthStencilState* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If *subpass* uses a depth/stencil attachment in *renderpass* that has a layout of `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL` in the `VkAttachmentReference` defined by *subpass*, and *pDepthStencilState* is not `NULL`, the *failOp*, *passOp* and *depthFailOp* members of each of the *front* and *back* members of *pDepthStencilState* must be `VK_STENCIL_OP_KEEP`

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- If *pColorBlendState* is not NULL, the *blendEnable* member of each element of the *pAttachment* member of *pColorBlendState* must be VK\_FALSE if the *format* of the attachment referred to in *subpass* of *renderPass* does not support color blend operations, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_BLEND\_BIT flag in *VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures* or *VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures* returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties**
  - If *pColorBlendState* is not NULL, The *attachmentCount* member of *pColorBlendState* must be equal to the *colorAttachmentCount* used to create *subpass*
  - If no element of the *pDynamicStates* member of *pDynamicState* is VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_VIEWPORT, the *pViewports* member of *pViewportState* must be a pointer to an array of *pViewportState*→*viewportCount* *VkViewport* structures
  - If no element of the *pDynamicStates* member of *pDynamicState* is VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_SCISSOR, the *pScissors* member of *pViewportState* must be a pointer to an array of *pViewportState*→*scissorCount* *VkRect2D* structures
  - If the wide lines feature is not enabled, and no element of the *pDynamicStates* member of *pDynamicState* is VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_LINE\_WIDTH, the *lineWidth* member of *pRasterizationState* must be 1.0
  - If the *rasterizerDiscardEnable* member of *pRasterizationState* is VK\_FALSE, *pViewportState* must be a pointer to a valid *VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo* structure
  - If the *rasterizerDiscardEnable* member of *pRasterizationState* is VK\_FALSE, *pMultisampleState* must be a pointer to a valid *VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo* structure
  - If the *rasterizerDiscardEnable* member of *pRasterizationState* is VK\_FALSE, and *subpass* uses a depth/stencil attachment, *pDepthStencilState* must be a pointer to a valid *VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo* structure
  - If the *rasterizerDiscardEnable* member of *pRasterizationState* is VK\_FALSE, and *subpass* uses color attachments, *pColorBlendState* must be a pointer to a valid *VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo* structure
  - If the depth bias clamping feature is not enabled, no element of the *pDynamicStates* member of *pDynamicState* is VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_DEPTH\_BIAS, and the *depthBiasEnable* member of *pDepthStencil* is VK\_TRUE, the *depthBiasClamp* member of *pDepthStencil* must be 0.0
  - If no element of the *pDynamicStates* member of *pDynamicState* is VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_DEPTH\_BOUNDS, and the *depthBoundsTestEnable* member of *pDepthStencil* is VK\_TRUE, the *minDepthBounds* and *maxDepthBounds* members of *pDepthStencil* must be between 0.0 and 1.0, inclusive
  - *layout* must be consistent with all shaders specified in *pStages*
  - If *subpass* uses color and/or depth/stencil attachments, then the *rasterizationSamples* member of *pMultisampleState* must be the same as the sample count for those subpass attachments
  - If *subpass* does not use any color and/or depth/stencil attachments, then the *rasterizationSamples* member of *pMultisampleState* must follow the rules for a zero-attachment subpass
  - *subpass* must be a valid subpass within *renderpass*
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#### 5.42.5 See Also

VkPipeline, VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineCreateFlags, VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineLayout, VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo, VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo, VkRenderPass, VkStructureType, vkCreateGraphicsPipelines

#### 5.42.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo>

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## 5.43 VkImageBlit(3)

### 5.43.1 Name

VkImageBlit - Structure specifying an image blit operation

### 5.43.2 C Specification

The VkImageBlit structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageBlit {  
    VkImageSubresourceLayers    srcSubresource;  
    VkOffset3D                  srcOffsets[2];  
    VkImageSubresourceLayers    dstSubresource;  
    VkOffset3D                  dstOffsets[2];  
} VkImageBlit;
```

### 5.43.3 Members

- *srcSubresource* is the subresource to blit from.
- *srcOffsets* is an array of two VkOffset3D structures specifying the bounds of the source region within *srcSubresource*.
- *dstSubresource* is the subresource to blit into.
- *dstOffsets* is an array of two VkOffset3D structures specifying the bounds of the destination region within *dstSubresource*.

### 5.43.4 Description

For each element of the *pRegions* array, a blit operation is performed the specified source and destination regions.

#### Valid Usage

- *srcSubresource* must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure
  - *dstSubresource* must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure
  - The *aspectMask* member of *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must match
  - The *layerCount* member of *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must match
  - If either of the calling command's *srcImage* or *dstImage* parameters are of VkImageType VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D, the *baseArrayLayer* and *layerCount* members of both *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must be 0 and 1, respectively
  - The *aspectMask* member of *srcSubresource* must specify aspects present in the calling command's *srcImage*
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- The *aspectMask* member of *dstSubresource* must specify aspects present in the calling command's *dstImage*
- The *layerCount* member of *dstSubresource* must be equal to the *layerCount* member of *srcSubresource*
- *srcOffset*[0].x and *srcOffset*[1].x must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource width
- *srcOffset*[0].y and *srcOffset*[1].y must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource height
- *srcOffset*[0].z and *srcOffset*[1].z must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource depth
- *dstOffset*[0].x and *dstOffset*[1].x must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource width
- *dstOffset*[0].y and *dstOffset*[1].y must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource height
- *dstOffset*[0].z and *dstOffset*[1].z must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource depth

#### 5.43.5 See Also

VkImageSubresourceLayers, VkOffset3D, vkCmdBlitImage

#### 5.43.6 Document Notes

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## 5.44 VkImageCopy(3)

### 5.44.1 Name

VkImageCopy - Structure specifying an image copy operation

### 5.44.2 C Specification

The VkImageCopy structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageCopy {  
    VkImageSubresourceLayers    srcSubresource;  
    VkOffset3D                  srcOffset;  
    VkImageSubresourceLayers    dstSubresource;  
    VkOffset3D                  dstOffset;  
    VkExtent3D                  extent;  
} VkImageCopy;
```

### 5.44.3 Members

- *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* are `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structures specifying the image subresources of the images used for the source and destination image data, respectively.
- *srcOffset* and *dstOffset* select the initial *x*, *y*, and *z* offsets in texels of the sub-regions of the source and destination image data.
- *extent* is the size in texels of the source image to copy in *width*, *height* and *depth*. 1D images use only *x* and *width*. 2D images use *x*, *y*, *width* and *height*. 3D images use *x*, *y*, *z*, *width*, *height* and *depth*.

### 5.44.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *srcSubresource* must be a valid `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structure
  - *dstSubresource* must be a valid `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structure
  - The *aspectMask* member of *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must match
  - The *layerCount* member of *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must match
  - If either of the calling command's *srcImage* or *dstImage* parameters are of `VkImageType` `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D`, the *baseArrayLayer* and *layerCount* members of both *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must be 0 and 1, respectively
  - The *aspectMask* member of *srcSubresource* must specify aspects present in the calling command's *srcImage*
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- The *aspectMask* member of *dstSubresource* must specify aspects present in the calling command's *dstImage*
- *srcOffset.x* and  $(\text{extent.width} + \text{srcOffset.x})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource width
- *srcOffset.y* and  $(\text{extent.height} + \text{srcOffset.y})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource height
- *srcOffset.z* and  $(\text{extent.depth} + \text{srcOffset.z})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource depth
- *dstOffset.x* and  $(\text{extent.width} + \text{dstOffset.x})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource width
- *dstOffset.y* and  $(\text{extent.height} + \text{dstOffset.y})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource height
- *dstOffset.z* and  $(\text{extent.depth} + \text{dstOffset.z})$  must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource depth
- If the calling command's *srcImage* is a compressed format image:
  - all members of *srcOffset* must be a multiple of the corresponding dimensions of the compressed texel block
  - *extent.width* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block width or  $(\text{extent.width} + \text{srcOffset.x})$  must equal the source image subresource width
  - *extent.height* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height or  $(\text{extent.height} + \text{srcOffset.y})$  must equal the source image subresource height
  - *extent.depth* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block depth or  $(\text{extent.depth} + \text{srcOffset.z})$  must equal the source image subresource depth
- If the calling command's *dstImage* is a compressed format image:
  - all members of *dstOffset* must be a multiple of the corresponding dimensions of the compressed texel block
  - *extent.width* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block width or  $(\text{extent.width} + \text{dstOffset.x})$  must equal the destination image subresource width
  - *extent.height* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height or  $(\text{extent.height} + \text{dstOffset.y})$  must equal the destination image subresource height
  - *extent.depth* must be a multiple of the compressed texel block depth or  $(\text{extent.depth} + \text{dstOffset.z})$  must equal the destination image subresource depth
- *srcOffset*, *dstOffset*, and *extent* must respect the image transfer granularity requirements of the queue family that it will be submitted against, as described in Physical Device Enumeration

#### 5.44.5 See Also

VkExtent3D, VkImageSubresourceLayers, VkOffset3D, vkCmdCopyImage

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#### **5.44.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageCopy>

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## 5.45 VkImageCreateInfo(3)

### 5.45.1 Name

VkImageCreateInfo - Structure specifying the parameters of a newly created image object

### 5.45.2 C Specification

The VkImageCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType      sType;
    const void*          pNext;
    VkImageCreateFlags    flags;
    VkImageType           imageType;
    VkFormat              format;
    VkExtent3D            extent;
    uint32_t              mipLevels;
    uint32_t              arrayLayers;
    VkSampleCountFlagBits samples;
    VkImageTiling          tiling;
    VkImageUsageFlags      usage;
    VkSharingMode          sharingMode;
    uint32_t              queueFamilyIndexCount;
    const uint32_t*        pQueueFamilyIndices;
    VkImageLayout          initialLayout;
} VkImageCreateInfo;
```

### 5.45.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is a bitmask describing additional parameters of the image. See `VkImageCreateFlagBits` below for a description of the supported bits.
- *imageType* is a `VkImageType` specifying the basic dimensionality of the image, as described below. Layers in array textures do not count as a dimension for the purposes of the image type.
- *format* is a `VkFormat` describing the format and type of the data elements that will be contained in the image.
- *extent* is a `VkExtent3D` describing the number of data elements in each dimension of the base level.
- *mipLevels* describes the number of levels of detail available for minified sampling of the image.
- *arrayLayers* is the number of layers in the image.
- *samples* is the number of sub-data element samples in the image as defined in `VkSampleCountFlagBits`. See `Multisampling`.
- *tiling* is a `VkImageTiling` specifying the tiling arrangement of the data elements in memory, as described below.
- *usage* is a bitmask describing the intended usage of the image. See `VkImageUsageFlagBits` below for a description of the supported bits.

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- *sharingMode* is the sharing mode of the image when it will be accessed by multiple queue families, and must be one of the values described for `VkSharingMode` in the Resource Sharing section below.
  - *queueFamilyIndexCount* is the number of entries in the *pQueueFamilyIndices* array.
  - *pQueueFamilyIndices* is a list of queue families that will access this image (ignored if *sharingMode* is not `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`).
  - *initialLayout* selects the initial `VkImageLayout` state of all image subresources of the image. See Image Layouts. *initialLayout* must be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PREINITIALIZED`.

#### 5.45.4 Description

Valid limits for the image *extent*, *mipLevels*, *arrayLayers* and *samples* members are queried with the `vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties` command.

Images created with *tiling* equal to `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR` have further restrictions on their limits and capabilities compared to images created with *tiling* equal to `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`. Creation of images with tiling `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR` may not be supported unless other parameters meet all of the constraints:

- *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D`
- *format* is not a depth/stencil format
- *mipLevels* is 1
- *arrayLayers* is 1
- *samples* is `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- *usage* only includes `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` and/or `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT`

Implementations may support additional limits and capabilities beyond those listed above. To determine the specific capabilities of an implementation, query the valid *usage* bits by calling `vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties` and the valid limits for *mipLevels* and *arrayLayers* by calling `vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`.

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMAGE_CREATE_INFO`
  - *pNext* must be `NULL`, or a pointer to a valid instance of `VkDedicatedAllocationImageCreateInfoNV`
  - *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkImageCreateFlagBits` values
  - *imageType* must be a valid `VkImageType` value
  - *format* must be a valid `VkFormat` value
  - *samples* must be a valid `VkSampleCountFlagBits` value
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- *tiling* must be a valid `VkImageTiling` value
- *usage* must be a valid combination of `VkImageUsageFlagBits` values
- *usage* must not be 0
- *sharingMode* must be a valid `VkSharingMode` value
- *initialLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
- If *sharingMode* is `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`, *pQueueFamilyIndices* must be a pointer to an array of *queueFamilyIndexCount* `uint32_t` values
- If *sharingMode* is `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`, *queueFamilyIndexCount* must be greater than 1
- *format* must not be `VK_FORMAT_UNDEFINED`
- The *width*, *height*, and *depth* members of *extent* must all be greater than 0
- *mipLevels* must be greater than 0
- *arrayLayers* must be greater than 0
- If *flags* contains `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT`, *imageType* must be `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D`
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D`, *extent.width* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxImageDimension1D`, or `VkImageFormatProperties::maxExtent.width` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure) - whichever is higher
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *flags* does not contain `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT`, *extent.width* and *extent.height* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxImageDimension2D`, or `VkImageFormatProperties::maxExtent.width/height` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure) - whichever is higher
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *flags* contains `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT`, *extent.width* and *extent.height* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxImageDimensionCube`, or `VkImageFormatProperties::maxExtent.width/height` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure) - whichever is higher
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *flags* contains `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT`, *extent.width* and *extent.height* must be equal and *arrayLayers* must be greater than or equal to 6
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D`, *extent.width*, *extent.height* and *extent.depth* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxImageDimension3D`, or `VkImageFormatProperties::maxExtent.width/height/depth` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure) - whichever is higher
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D`, both *extent.height* and *extent.depth* must be 1
- If *imageType* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D`, *extent.depth* must be 1

- *mipLevels* must be less than or equal to  $\lfloor \log_2(\max(\text{extent.width}, \text{extent.height}, \text{extent.depth})) \rfloor + 1$
- If any of *extent.width*, *extent.height*, or *extent.depth* are greater than the equivalently named members of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxImageDimension3D`, *mipLevels* must be less than or equal to `VkImageFormatProperties::maxMipLevels` (as returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure)
- *arrayLayers* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxImageArrayLayers`, or `VkImageFormatProperties::maxArrayLayers` (as returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure) - whichever is higher
- If *samples* is not `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`, *imageType* must be `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D`, *flags* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT`, *tiling* must be `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, and *mipLevels* must be equal to 1
- If *usage* includes `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, then bits other than `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, and `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` mustnot: be set
- If *usage* includes `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, or `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *extent.width* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxFramebufferWidth`
- If *usage* includes `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, or `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *extent.height* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxFramebufferHeight`
- *samples* must be a bit value that is set in `VkImageFormatProperties::sampleCounts` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties** with *format*, *type*, *tiling*, *usage*, and *flags* equal to those in this structure
- If the ETC2 texture compression feature is not enabled, *format* must not be `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A1_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A1_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A8_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A8_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11_SNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11G11_UNORM_BLOCK`, or `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11G11_SNORM_BLOCK`
- If the ASTC LDR texture compression feature is not enabled, *format* must not be `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_4x4_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_4x4_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x4_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x4_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x5_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x5_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x5_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x5_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x6_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x6_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x5_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x5_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x6_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x6_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x8_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x8_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x5_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x5_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x6_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x6_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x8_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x8_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x10_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x10_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_12x10_UNORM_BLOCK`, or `VK_FORMAT_ASTC_12x10_SRGB_BLOCK`

UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_UNORM\_BLOCK, or VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_SRGB\_BLOCK

- If the BC texture compression feature is not enabled, *format* must not be VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_SNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_SNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_UFLOAT\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_SFLOAT\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_UNORM\_BLOCK, or VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- If the multisampled storage images feature is not enabled, and *usage* contains VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_STORAGE\_BIT, *samples* must be VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_1\_BIT
- If the sparse bindings feature is not enabled, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_BINDING\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for 2D images feature is not enabled, and *imageType* is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for 3D images feature is not enabled, and *imageType* is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 2 samples feature is not enabled, *imageType* is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and *samples* is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_2\_BIT, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 4 samples feature is not enabled, *imageType* is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and *samples* is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_4\_BIT, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 8 samples feature is not enabled, *imageType* is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and *samples* is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_8\_BIT, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 16 samples feature is not enabled, *imageType* is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and *samples* is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_16\_BIT, *flags* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If *tiling* is VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR, *format* must be a format that has at least one supported feature bit present in the value of `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
- If *tiling* is VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR, and `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (as returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*) does not include VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_BIT, *usage* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_SAMPLED\_BIT
- If *tiling* is VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR, and `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (as returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*) does not include VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_STORAGE\_IMAGE\_BIT, *usage* must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_STORAGE\_BIT

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- If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR`, and `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*) does not include `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *usage* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
  - If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR`, and `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*) does not include `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *usage* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
  - If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, *format* must be a format that has at least one supported feature bit present in the value of `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*
  - If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, and `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*) does not include `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_BIT`, *usage* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT`
  - If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, and `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*) does not include `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_IMAGE_BIT`, *usage* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_STORAGE_BIT`
  - If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, and `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*) does not include `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *usage* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
  - If *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, and `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` (as returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*) does not include `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *usage* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`
  - If *flags* contains `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT`, it must also contain `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT`

#### 5.45.5 See Also

`VkExtent3D`, `VkFormat`, `VkImageCreateFlags`, `VkImageLayout`, `VkImageTiling`, `VkImageType`, `VkImageUsageFlags`, `VkSampleCountFlagBits`, `VkSharingMode`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateImage`

#### 5.45.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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## 5.46 VkImageFormatProperties(3)

### 5.46.1 Name

VkImageFormatProperties - Structure specifying a image format properties

### 5.46.2 C Specification

The `VkImageFormatProperties` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageFormatProperties {
    VkExtent3D          maxExtent;
    uint32_t            maxMipLevels;
    uint32_t            maxArrayLayers;
    VkSampleCountFlags  sampleCounts;
    VkDeviceSize        maxResourceSize;
} VkImageFormatProperties;
```

### 5.46.3 Members

- *maxExtent* are the maximum image dimensions. See the Allowed Extent Values section below for how these values are constrained by *type*.
- *maxMipLevels* is the maximum number of mipmap levels. *maxMipLevels* must either be equal to 1 (valid only if *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR`) or be equal to  $\lceil \log_2(\max(\text{width}, \text{height}, \text{depth})) \rceil + 1$  where *width*, *height*, and *depth* are taken from the corresponding members of *maxExtent*.
- *maxArrayLayers* is the maximum number of array layers. *maxArrayLayers* must either be equal to 1 or be greater than or equal to the *maxImageArrayLayers* member of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits`. A value of 1 is valid only if *tiling* is `VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR` or if *type* is `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D`.
- *sampleCounts* is a bitmask of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` specifying all the supported sample counts for this image as described below.
- *maxResourceSize* is an upper bound on the total image size in bytes, inclusive of all image subresources. Implementations may have an address space limit on total size of a resource, which is advertised by this property. *maxResourceSize* must be at least  $2^{31}$ .

### 5.46.4 Description



#### Note

There is no mechanism to query the size of an image before creating it, to compare that size against *maxResourceSize*. If an application attempts to create an image that exceeds this limit, the creation will fail or the image will be invalid. While the advertised limit must be at least  $2^{31}$ , it may not be possible to create an image that approaches that size, particularly for `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D`.

If the combination of parameters to `vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties` is not supported by the implementation for use in `vkCreateImage`, then all members of `VkImageFormatProperties` will be filled with zero.

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#### 5.46.5 See Also

VkDeviceSize, VkExtent3D, VkSampleCountFlags,  
vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties

#### 5.46.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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## 5.47 VkImageMemoryBarrier(3)

### 5.47.1 Name

VkImageMemoryBarrier - Structure specifying the parameters of an image memory barrier

### 5.47.2 C Specification

The `VkImageMemoryBarrier` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageMemoryBarrier {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkAccessFlags      srcAccessMask;
    VkAccessFlags      dstAccessMask;
    VkImageLayout      oldLayout;
    VkImageLayout      newLayout;
    uint32_t           srcQueueFamilyIndex;
    uint32_t           dstQueueFamilyIndex;
    VkImage            image;
    VkImageSubresourceRange subresourceRange;
} VkImageMemoryBarrier;
```

### 5.47.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *srcAccessMask* is a bitmask of the classes of memory accesses performed by the first set of commands that will participate in the dependency.
- *dstAccessMask* is a bitmask of the classes of memory accesses performed by the second set of commands that will participate in the dependency.
- *oldLayout* describes the current layout of the image subresource(s).
- *newLayout* describes the new layout of the image subresource(s).
- *srcQueueFamilyIndex* is the queue family that is relinquishing ownership of the image subresource(s) to another queue, or `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED` if there is no transfer of ownership).
- *dstQueueFamilyIndex* is the queue family that is acquiring ownership of the image subresource(s) from another queue, or `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED` if there is no transfer of ownership).
- *image* is a handle to the image whose backing memory is affected by the barrier.
- *subresourceRange* describes an area of the backing memory for *image* (see [?] for the description of `VkImageSubresourceRange`), as well as the set of image subresources whose image layouts are modified.

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#### 5.47.4 Description

If *oldLayout* differs from *newLayout*, a layout transition occurs as part of the image memory barrier, affecting the data contained in the region of the image defined by the *subresourceRange*. If *oldLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED`, then the data is undefined after the layout transition. This may allow a more efficient transition, since the data may be discarded. The layout transition must occur after all operations using the old layout are completed and before all operations using the new layout are started. This is achieved by ensuring that there is a memory dependency between previous accesses and the layout transition, as well as between the layout transition and subsequent accesses, where the layout transition occurs between the two halves of a memory dependency in an image memory barrier.

Layout transitions that are performed via image memory barriers are automatically ordered against other layout transitions, including those that occur as part of a render pass instance.



#### Note

See [?] for details on available image layouts and their usages.

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#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMAGE_MEMORY_BARRIER`
  - *pNext* must be `NULL`
  - *srcAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
  - *dstAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
  - *oldLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *newLayout* must be a valid `VkImageLayout` value
  - *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
  - *subresourceRange* must be a valid `VkImageSubresourceRange` structure
  - *oldLayout* must be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` or the current layout of the image subresources affected by the barrier
  - *newLayout* must not be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PREINITIALIZED`
  - If *image* was created with a sharing mode of `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT`, *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* must both be `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED`
  - If *image* was created with a sharing mode of `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE`, *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* must either both be `VK_QUEUE_FAMILY_IGNORED`, or both be a valid queue family (see [?])
  - If *image* was created with a sharing mode of `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE`, and *srcQueueFamilyIndex* and *dstQueueFamilyIndex* are valid queue families, at least one of them must be the same as the family of the queue that will execute this barrier
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- *subresourceRange* must be a valid image subresource range for the image (see [?])
- If *image* has a depth/stencil format with both depth and stencil components, then *aspectMask* member of *subresourceRange* must include both `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` and `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT`
- If either *oldLayout* or *newLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OPTIMAL` then *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If either *oldLayout* or *newLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_OPTIMAL` then *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If either *oldLayout* or *newLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL` then *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If either *oldLayout* or *newLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_SHADER_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL` then *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` set
- If either *oldLayout* or *newLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL` then *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` set
- If either *oldLayout* or *newLayout* is `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL` then *image* must have been created with `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` set

#### 5.47.5 See Also

VkAccessFlags, VkImage, VkImageLayout, VkImageSubresourceRange, VkStructureType, vkCmdPipelineBarrier, vkCmdWaitEvents

#### 5.47.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageMemoryBarrier>

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## 5.48 VkImageResolve(3)

### 5.48.1 Name

VkImageResolve - Structure specifying an image resolve operation

### 5.48.2 C Specification

The VkImageResolve structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageResolve {  
    VkImageSubresourceLayers    srcSubresource;  
    VkOffset3D                  srcOffset;  
    VkImageSubresourceLayers    dstSubresource;  
    VkOffset3D                  dstOffset;  
    VkExtent3D                  extent;  
} VkImageResolve;
```

### 5.48.3 Members

- *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* are `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structures specifying the image subresources of the images used for the source and destination image data, respectively. Resolve of depth/stencil images is not supported.
- *srcOffset* and *dstOffset* select the initial x, y, and z offsets in texels of the sub-regions of the source and destination image data.
- *extent* is the size in texels of the source image to resolve in *width*, *height* and *depth*. 1D images use only *x* and *width*. 2D images use *x*, *y*, *width* and *height*. 3D images use *x*, *y*, *z*, *width*, *height* and *depth*.

### 5.48.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *srcSubresource* must be a valid `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structure
  - *dstSubresource* must be a valid `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structure
  - The *aspectMask* member of *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must only contain `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`
  - The *layerCount* member of *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must match
  - If either of the calling command's *srcImage* or *dstImage* parameters are of `VkImageType` `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D`, the *baseArrayLayer* and *layerCount* members of both *srcSubresource* and *dstSubresource* must be 0 and 1, respectively
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**5.48.5 See Also**

VkExtent3D, VkImageSubresourceLayers, VkOffset3D, vkCmdResolveImage

**5.48.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageResolve>

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## 5.49 VkImageSubresource(3)

### 5.49.1 Name

VkImageSubresource - Structure specifying a image subresource

### 5.49.2 C Specification

The VkImageSubresource structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageSubresource {
    VkImageAspectFlags    aspectMask;
    uint32_t              mipLevel;
    uint32_t              arrayLayer;
} VkImageSubresource;
```

### 5.49.3 Members

- *aspectMask* is a VkImageAspectFlags selecting the image *aspect*.
- *mipLevel* selects the mipmap level.
- *arrayLayer* selects the array layer.

### 5.49.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *aspectMask* must be a valid combination of VkImageAspectFlagBits values
- *aspectMask* must not be 0
- *mipLevel* must be less than the *mipLevels* specified in VkImageCreateInfo when the image was created
- *arrayLayer* must be less than the *arrayLayers* specified in VkImageCreateInfo when the image was created

### 5.49.5 See Also

VkImageAspectFlags, VkSparseImageMemoryBind, vkGetImageSubresourceLayout

### 5.49.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageSubresource>

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## 5.50 VkImageSubresourceLayers(3)

### 5.50.1 Name

VkImageSubresourceLayers - Structure specifying a image subresource layers

### 5.50.2 C Specification

The `VkImageSubresourceLayers` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageSubresourceLayers {
    VkImageAspectFlags    aspectMask;
    uint32_t              mipLevel;
    uint32_t              baseArrayLayer;
    uint32_t              layerCount;
} VkImageSubresourceLayers;
```

### 5.50.3 Members

- *aspectMask* is a combination of `VkImageAspectFlagBits`, selecting the color, depth and/or stencil aspects to be copied.
- *mipLevel* is the mipmap level to copy from.
- *baseArrayLayer* and *layerCount* are the starting layer and number of layers to copy.

### 5.50.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *aspectMask* must be a valid combination of `VkImageAspectFlagBits` values
- *aspectMask* must not be 0
- If *aspectMask* contains `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`, it must not contain either of `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT`
- *aspectMask* must not contain `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_METADATA_BIT`
- *mipLevel* must be less than the *mipLevels* specified in `VkImageCreateInfo` when the image was created
- (*baseArrayLayer* + *layerCount*) must be less than or equal to the *arrayLayers* specified in `VkImageCreateInfo` when the image was created

### 5.50.5 See Also

`VkBufferImageCopy`, `VkImageAspectFlags`, `VkImageBlit`, `VkImageCopy`, `VkImageResolve`

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#### 5.50.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageSubresourceLayers>

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## 5.51 VkImageSubresourceRange(3)

### 5.51.1 Name

VkImageSubresourceRange - Structure specifying a image subresource range

### 5.51.2 C Specification

The `VkImageSubresourceRange` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageSubresourceRange {
    VkImageAspectFlags    aspectMask;
    uint32_t              baseMipLevel;
    uint32_t              levelCount;
    uint32_t              baseArrayLayer;
    uint32_t              layerCount;
} VkImageSubresourceRange;
```

### 5.51.3 Members

- *aspectMask* is a bitmask indicating which aspect(s) of the image are included in the view. See `VkImageAspectFlagBits`.
- *baseMipLevel* is the first mipmap level accessible to the view.
- *levelCount* is the number of mipmap levels (starting from *baseMipLevel*) accessible to the view.
- *baseArrayLayer* is the first array layer accessible to the view.
- *layerCount* is the number of array layers (starting from *baseArrayLayer*) accessible to the view.

### 5.51.4 Description

The number of mipmap levels and array layers must be a subset of the image subresources in the image. If an application wants to use all mip levels or layers in an image after the *baseMipLevel* or *baseArrayLayer*, it can set *levelCount* and *layerCount* to the special values `VK_REMAINING_MIP_LEVELS` and `VK_REMAINING_ARRAY_LAYERS` without knowing the exact number of mip levels or layers.

For cube and cube array image views, the layers of the image view starting at *baseArrayLayer* correspond to faces in the order +X, -X, +Y, -Y, +Z, -Z. For cube arrays, each set of six sequential layers is a single cube, so the number of cube maps in a cube map array view is  $\text{layerCount} / 6$ , and image array layer  $\text{baseArrayLayer} + i$  is face index  $i \bmod 6$  of cube  $i / 6$ . If the number of layers in the view, whether set explicitly in *layerCount* or implied by `VK_REMAINING_ARRAY_LAYERS`, is not a multiple of 6, behavior when indexing the last cube is undefined.

*aspectMask* is a bitmask indicating the format being used. Bits which may be set include:

```
typedef enum VkImageAspectFlagBits {
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_METADATA_BIT = 0x00000008,
} VkImageAspectFlagBits;
```

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The mask must be only `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT` if *format* is a color, depth-only or stencil-only format, respectively. If using a depth/stencil format with both depth and stencil components, *aspectMask* must include at least one of `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` and `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT`, and can include both.

When using an imageView of a depth/stencil image to populate a descriptor set (e.g. for sampling in the shader, or for use as an input attachment), the *aspectMask* must only include one bit and selects whether the imageView is used for depth reads (i.e. using a floating-point sampler or input attachment in the shader) or stencil reads (i.e. using an unsigned integer sampler or input attachment in the shader). When an imageView of a depth/stencil image is used as a depth/stencil framebuffer attachment, the *aspectMask* is ignored and both depth and stencil image subresources are used.

The *components* member is of type `VkComponentMapping`, and describes a remapping from components of the image to components of the vector returned by shader image instructions. This remapping must be identity for storage image descriptors, input attachment descriptors, and framebuffer attachments.

#### Valid Usage

- *aspectMask* must be a valid combination of `VkImageAspectFlagBits` values
- *aspectMask* must not be 0
- If *levelCount* is not `VK_REMAINING_MIP_LEVELS`, (*baseMipLevel* + *levelCount*) must be less than or equal to the *mipLevels* specified in `VkImageCreateInfo` when the image was created
- If *layerCount* is not `VK_REMAINING_ARRAY_LAYERS`, (*baseArrayLayer* + *layerCount*) must be less than or equal to the *arrayLayers* specified in `VkImageCreateInfo` when the image was created

#### 5.51.5 See Also

`VkImageAspectFlags`, `VkImageMemoryBarrier`, `VkImageViewCreateInfo`,  
`vkCmdClearColorImage`, `vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage`

#### 5.51.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageSubresourceRange>

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## 5.52 VkImageViewCreateInfo(3)

### 5.52.1 Name

VkImageViewCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created image view

### 5.52.2 C Specification

The VkImageViewCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkImageViewCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkImageViewCreateFlags flags;
    VkImage             image;
    VkImageViewType     viewType;
    VkFormat            format;
    VkComponentMapping   components;
    VkImageSubresourceRange subresourceRange;
} VkImageViewCreateInfo;
```

### 5.52.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *image* is a `VkImage` on which the view will be created.
- *viewType* is the type of the image view.
- *format* is a `VkFormat` describing the format and type used to interpret data elements in the image.
- *components* specifies a remapping of color components (or of depth or stencil components after they have been converted into color components). See `VkComponentMapping`.
- *subresourceRange* is a `VkImageSubresourceRange` selecting the set of mipmap levels and array layers to be accessible to the view.

### 5.52.4 Description

If *image* was created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_MUTABLE_FORMAT_BIT` flag, *format* can be different from the image's format, but if they are not equal they must be *compatible*. Image format compatibility is defined in the Format Compatibility Classes section.

Table 6: Image and image view parameter compatibility requirements

| <b>Dim, Arrayed, MS</b> | <b>Image parameters</b>   | <b>View parameters</b>   |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| <b>1D, 0, 0</b>         | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height = 1<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 1$<br>samples = 1  | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_1D<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount = 1            |
| <b>1D, 1, 0</b>         | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height = 1<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 1$<br>samples = 1  | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount $\geq 1$ |
| <b>2D, 0, 0</b>         | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height $\geq 1$<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 1$<br>samples = 1   | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount = 1            |
| <b>2D, 1, 0</b>         | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height $\geq 1$<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 1$<br>samples = 1   | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount $\geq 1$ |
| <b>2D, 0, 1</b>         | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height $\geq 1$<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 1$<br>samples $> 1$   | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount = 1            |
| <b>2D, 1, 1</b>         | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height $\geq 1$<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 1$<br>samples $> 1$   | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount $\geq 1$ |
| <b>CUBE, 0, 0</b>       | imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D<br>width $\geq 1$<br>height = width<br>depth = 1<br>arrayLayers $\geq 6$<br>samples = 1<br>flags include VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT | viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE<br>baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$<br>layerCount = 6          |

Table 6: (continued)

| Dim, Arrayed, MS  | Image parameters   | View parameters   |
|-------------------|--|---|
| <b>CUBE, 1, 0</b> | <code>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D</code><br><code>width &gt;= 1</code><br><code>height = width</code><br><code>depth = 1</code><br><code>N &gt;= 1</code><br><code>arrayLayers &gt;= 6 × N</code><br><code>samples = 1</code><br><code>flags include VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT</code> | <code>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY</code><br><code>baseArrayLayer &gt;= 0</code><br><code>N &gt;= 1</code><br><code>layerCount = 6 × N</code> |
| <b>3D, 0, 0</b>   | <code>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D</code><br><code>width &gt;= 1</code><br><code>height &gt;= 1</code><br><code>depth &gt;= 1</code><br><code>arrayLayers = 1</code><br><code>samples = 1</code>   | <code>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_3D</code><br><code>baseArrayLayer = 0</code><br><code>layerCount = 1</code>   |

**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMAGE_VIEW_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be 0
- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *viewType* must be a valid `VkImageViewType` value
- *format* must be a valid `VkFormat` value
- *components* must be a valid `VkComponentMapping` structure
- *subresourceRange* must be a valid `VkImageSubresourceRange` structure
- If *image* was not created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT` then *viewType* must not be `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`
- If the image cubemap arrays feature is not enabled, *viewType* must not be `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`
- If the ETC2 texture compression feature is not enabled, *format* must not be `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A1_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A1_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A8_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A8_SRGB_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11_UNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11_SNORM_BLOCK`, `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11G11_UNORM_BLOCK`, or `VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11G11_SNORM_BLOCK`

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- If the ASTC LDR texture compression feature is not enabled, *format* must not be VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_4x4\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_4x4\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x4\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x4\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x8\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x8\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x8\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x8\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x10\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_UNORM\_BLOCK, or VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_SRGB\_BLOCK
  - If the BC texture compression feature is not enabled, *format* must not be VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_SNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_UNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_SNORM\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_UFLOAT\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_SFLOAT\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_UNORM\_BLOCK, or VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_SRGB\_BLOCK
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR, *format* must be format that has at least one supported feature bit present in the value of `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR and *usage* containing VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_SAMPLED\_BIT, *format* must be supported for sampled images, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_BIT flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR and *usage* containing VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_STORAGE\_BIT, *format* must be supported for storage images, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_STORAGE\_IMAGE\_BIT flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR and *usage* containing VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT, *format* must be supported for color attachments, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR and *usage* containing VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT, *format* must be supported for depth/stencil attachments, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT flag in `VkFormatProperties::linearTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_OPTIMAL, *format* must be format that has at least one supported feature bit present in the value of `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties** with the same value of *format*
  - If *image* was created with VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_OPTIMAL and *usage* containing VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_SAMPLED\_BIT, *format* must be supported for sampled images, as specified by the VK\_FORMAT\_FEATURE\_
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SAMPLED\_IMAGE\_BIT flag in `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*

- If *image* was created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL` and *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_STORAGE_BIT`, *format* must be supported for storage images, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_IMAGE_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*
- If *image* was created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL` and *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *format* must be supported for color attachments, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*
- If *image* was created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL` and *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT`, *format* must be supported for depth/stencil attachments, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::optimalTilingFeatures` returned by **`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties`** with the same value of *format*
- *subresourceRange* must be a valid image subresource range for *image* (see [?])
- If *image* was created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_MUTABLE_FORMAT_BIT` flag, *format* must be compatible with the *format* used to create *image*, as defined in Format Compatibility Classes
- If *image* was not created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_MUTABLE_FORMAT_BIT` flag, *format* must be identical to the *format* used to create *image*
- *subResourceRange* and *viewType* must be compatible with the image, as described in the compatibility table

### 5.52.5 See Also

`VkComponentMapping`, `VkFormat`, `VkImage`, `VkImageSubresourceRange`,  
`VkImageViewCreateFlags`, `VkImageViewType`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateImageView`

### 5.52.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageViewCreateInfo>

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## 5.53 VkInstanceCreateInfo(3)

### 5.53.1 Name

VkInstanceCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created instance

### 5.53.2 C Specification

The VkInstanceCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkInstanceCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType      sType;
    const void*          pNext;
    VkInstanceCreateFlags flags;
    const VkApplicationInfo* pApplicationInfo;
    uint32_t             enabledLayerCount;
    const char* const*    ppEnabledLayerNames;
    uint32_t             enabledExtensionCount;
    const char* const*    ppEnabledExtensionNames;
} VkInstanceCreateInfo;
```

### 5.53.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *pApplicationInfo* is NULL or a pointer to an instance of *VkApplicationInfo*. If not NULL, this information helps implementations recognize behavior inherent to classes of applications. *VkApplicationInfo* is defined in detail below.
- *enabledLayerCount* is the number of global layers to enable.
- *ppEnabledLayerNames* is a pointer to an array of *enabledLayerCount* null-terminated UTF-8 strings containing the names of layers to enable for the created instance. See the Layers section for further details.
- *enabledExtensionCount* is the number of global extensions to enable.
- *ppEnabledExtensionNames* is a pointer to an array of *enabledExtensionCount* null-terminated UTF-8 strings containing the names of extensions to enable.

### 5.53.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be *VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_INSTANCE\_CREATE\_INFO*



- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- If *pApplicationInfo* is not NULL, *pApplicationInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkApplicationInfo` structure
- If *enabledLayerCount* is not 0, *ppEnabledLayerNames* must be a pointer to an array of *enabledLayerCount* null-terminated strings
- If *enabledExtensionCount* is not 0, *ppEnabledExtensionNames* must be a pointer to an array of *enabledExtensionCount* null-terminated strings

#### 5.53.5 See Also

`VkApplicationInfo`, `VkInstanceCreateFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateInstance`

#### 5.53.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkInstanceCreateInfo>

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## 5.54 VkLayerProperties(3)

### 5.54.1 Name

VkLayerProperties - Structure specifying layer properties

### 5.54.2 C Specification

The `VkLayerProperties` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkLayerProperties {  
    char        layerName[VK_MAX_EXTENSION_NAME_SIZE];  
    uint32_t     specVersion;  
    uint32_t     implementationVersion;  
    char        description[VK_MAX_DESCRIPTION_SIZE];  
} VkLayerProperties;
```

### 5.54.3 Members

- *layerName* is a null-terminated UTF-8 string specifying the name of the layer. Use this name in the *ppEnabledLayerNames* array passed in the `VkInstanceCreateInfo` structure to enable this layer for an instance.
- *specVersion* is the Vulkan version the layer was written to, encoded as described in the API Version Numbers and Semantics section.
- *implementationVersion* is the version of this layer. It is an integer, increasing with backward compatible changes.
- *description* is a null-terminated UTF-8 string providing additional details that can be used by the application to identify the layer.

### 5.54.4 Description

### 5.54.5 See Also

`vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties`, `vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties`

### 5.54.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkLayerProperties>

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## 5.55 VkMappedMemoryRange(3)

### 5.55.1 Name

VkMappedMemoryRange - Structure specifying a mapped memory range

### 5.55.2 C Specification

The VkMappedMemoryRange structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkMappedMemoryRange {  
    VkStructureType    sType;  
    const void*        pNext;  
    VkDeviceMemory     memory;  
    VkDeviceSize       offset;  
    VkDeviceSize       size;  
} VkMappedMemoryRange;
```

### 5.55.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *memory* is the memory object to which this range belongs.
- *offset* is the zero-based byte offset from the beginning of the memory object.
- *size* is either the size of range, or VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE to affect the range from *offset* to the end of the current mapping of the allocation.

### 5.55.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_MAPPED\_MEMORY\_RANGE
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *memory* must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle
- *memory* must currently be mapped
- If *size* is not equal to VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE, *offset* and *size* must specify a range contained within the currently mapped range of *memory*
- If *size* is equal to VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE, *offset* must be within the currently mapped range of *memory*
- *offset* must be a multiple of VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::nonCoherentAtomSize
- If *size* is not equal to VK\_WHOLE\_SIZE, *size* must be a multiple of VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::nonCoherentAtomSize

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#### 5.55.5 See Also

VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize, VkStructureType, vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges, vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges

#### 5.55.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMappedMemoryRange>

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## 5.56 VkMemoryAllocateInfo(3)

### 5.56.1 Name

VkMemoryAllocateInfo - Structure containing parameters of a memory allocation

### 5.56.2 C Specification

The VkMemoryAllocateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkMemoryAllocateInfo {  
    VkStructureType    sType;  
    const void*        pNext;  
    VkDeviceSize        allocationSize;  
    uint32_t            memoryTypeIndex;  
} VkMemoryAllocateInfo;
```

### 5.56.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *allocationSize* is the size of the allocation in bytes
- *memoryTypeIndex* is the memory type index, which selects the properties of the memory to be allocated, as well as the heap the memory will come from.

### 5.56.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_MEMORY\_ALLOCATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL, or a pointer to a valid instance of VkDedicatedAllocationMemoryAllocateInfoNV
- *allocationSize* must be less than or equal to the amount of memory available to the VkMemoryHeap specified by *memoryTypeIndex* and the calling command's VkDevice
- *allocationSize* must be greater than 0

### 5.56.5 See Also

VkDeviceSize, VkStructureType, vkAllocateMemory

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#### 5.56.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryAllocateInfo>

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## 5.57 VkMemoryBarrier(3)

### 5.57.1 Name

VkMemoryBarrier - Structure specifying a memory barrier

### 5.57.2 C Specification

The VkMemoryBarrier structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkMemoryBarrier {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkAccessFlags       srcAccessMask;
    VkAccessFlags       dstAccessMask;
} VkMemoryBarrier;
```

### 5.57.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *srcAccessMask* is a bitmask of the classes of memory accesses performed by the first set of commands that will participate in the dependency.
- *dstAccessMask* is a bitmask of the classes of memory accesses performed by the second set of commands that will participate in the dependency.

### 5.57.4 Description

*srcAccessMask* and *dstAccessMask*, along with *srcStageMask* and *dstStageMask* from *vkCmdPipelineBarrier*, define the two halves of a memory dependency and an execution dependency. Memory accesses using the set of access types in *srcAccessMask* performed in pipeline stages in *srcStageMask* by the first set of commands must complete and be available to later commands. The side effects of the first set of commands will be visible to memory accesses using the set of access types in *dstAccessMask* performed in pipeline stages in *dstStageMask* by the second set of commands. If the barrier is by-region, these requirements only apply to invocations within the same framebuffer-space region, for pipeline stages that perform framebuffer-space work. The execution dependency guarantees that execution of work by the destination stages of the second set of commands will not begin until execution of work by the source stages of the first set of commands has completed.

A common type of memory dependency is to avoid a read-after-write hazard. In this case, the source access mask and stages will include writes from a particular stage, and the destination access mask and stages will indicate how those writes will be read in subsequent commands. However, barriers can also express write-after-read dependencies and write-after-write dependencies, and are even useful to express read-after-read dependencies across an image layout change.

Bits which can be set in *VkMemoryBarrier::srcAccessMask* and *VkMemoryBarrier::dstAccessMask* include:

```
typedef enum VkAccessFlagBits {
    VK_ACCESS_INDIRECT_COMMAND_READ_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_ACCESS_INDEX_READ_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_ACCESS_VERTEX_ATTRIBUTE_READ_BIT = 0x00000004,
```

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```
VK_ACCESS_UNIFORM_READ_BIT = 0x00000008,
VK_ACCESS_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT = 0x00000010,
VK_ACCESS_SHADER_READ_BIT = 0x00000020,
VK_ACCESS_SHADER_WRITE_BIT = 0x00000040,
VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT = 0x00000080,
VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT = 0x00000100,
VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT = 0x00000200,
VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT = 0x00000400,
VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_READ_BIT = 0x00000800,
VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_WRITE_BIT = 0x00001000,
VK_ACCESS_HOST_READ_BIT = 0x00002000,
VK_ACCESS_HOST_WRITE_BIT = 0x00004000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_READ_BIT = 0x00008000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
} VkAccessFlagBits;
```

- `VK_ACCESS_INDIRECT_COMMAND_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is an indirect command structure read as part of an indirect drawing command.
  - `VK_ACCESS_INDEX_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is an index buffer read.
  - `VK_ACCESS_VERTEX_ATTRIBUTE_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via the vertex input bindings.
  - `VK_ACCESS_UNIFORM_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via a uniform buffer or dynamic uniform buffer descriptor.
  - `VK_ACCESS_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via an input attachment descriptor.
  - `VK_ACCESS_SHADER_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read from a shader via any other descriptor type.
  - `VK_ACCESS_SHADER_WRITE_BIT` indicates that the access is a write or atomic from a shader via the same descriptor types as in `VK_ACCESS_SHADER_READ_BIT`.
  - `VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via a color attachment.
  - `VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT` indicates that the access is a write via a color or resolve attachment.
  - `VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via a depth/stencil attachment.
  - `VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT` indicates that the access is a write via a depth/stencil attachment.
  - `VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read from a transfer (copy, blit, resolve, etc.) operation. For the complete set of transfer operations, see `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT`.
  - `VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_WRITE_BIT` indicates that the access is a write from a transfer (copy, blit, resolve, etc.) operation. For the complete set of transfer operations, see `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT`.
  - `VK_ACCESS_HOST_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via the host.
  - `VK_ACCESS_HOST_WRITE_BIT` indicates that the access is a write via the host.
  - `VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_READ_BIT` indicates that the access is a read via a non-specific unit attached to the memory. This unit may be external to the Vulkan device or otherwise not part of the core Vulkan pipeline. When included in *dstAccessMask*, all writes using access types in *srcAccessMask* performed by pipeline stages in *srcStageMask* must be visible in memory.
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- **VK\_ACCESS\_MEMORY\_WRITE\_BIT** indicates that the access is a write via a non-specific unit attached to the memory. This unit may be external to the Vulkan device or otherwise not part of the core Vulkan pipeline. When included in *srcAccessMask*, all access types in *dstAccessMask* from pipeline stages in *dstStageMask* will observe the side effects of commands that executed before the barrier. When included in *dstAccessMask* all writes using access types in *srcAccessMask* performed by pipeline stages in *srcStageMask* must be visible in memory.

Color attachment reads and writes are automatically (without memory or execution dependencies) coherent and ordered against themselves and each other for a given sample within a subpass of a render pass instance, executing in rasterization order. Similarly, depth/stencil attachment reads and writes are automatically coherent and ordered against themselves and each other in the same circumstances.

Shader reads and/or writes through two variables (in the same or different shader invocations) decorated with **Coherent** and which use the same image view or buffer view are automatically coherent with each other, but require execution dependencies if a specific order is desired. Similarly, shader atomic operations are coherent with each other and with **Coherent** variables. Non-**Coherent** shader memory accesses require memory dependencies for writes to be available and reads to be visible.

Certain memory access types are only supported on queues that support a particular set of operations. The following table lists, for each access flag, which queue capability flag must be supported by the queue. When multiple flags are enumerated in the second column of the table it means that the access type is supported on the queue if it supports any of the listed capability flags. For further details on queue capabilities see Physical Device Enumeration and Queues.

Table 7: Supported access flags

| Access flag                                  | Required queue capability flag                                       |
|--|--|
| VK_ACCESS_INDIRECT_COMMAND_READ_BIT          | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT or VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT                        |
| VK_ACCESS_INDEX_READ_BIT                     | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_VERTEX_ATTRIBUTE_READ_BIT          | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_UNIFORM_READ_BIT                   | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT or VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT                        |
| VK_ACCESS_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT          | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_SHADER_READ_BIT                    | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT or VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT                        |
| VK_ACCESS_SHADER_WRITE_BIT                   | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT or VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT                        |
| VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT          | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT         | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT  | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT  |
| VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_READ_BIT                  | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT, VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT or VK_QUEUE_TRANSFER_BIT |
| VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_WRITE_BIT                 | VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT, VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT or VK_QUEUE_TRANSFER_BIT |
| VK_ACCESS_HOST_READ_BIT                      | None   |
| VK_ACCESS_HOST_WRITE_BIT                     | None   |
| VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_READ_BIT                    | None   |
| VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT                   | None   |

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### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_MEMORY_BARRIER`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *srcAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
- *dstAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values

### 5.57.5 See Also

`VkAccessFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCmdPipelineBarrier`, `vkCmdWaitEvents`

### 5.57.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryBarrier>

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## 5.58 VkMemoryHeap(3)

### 5.58.1 Name

VkMemoryHeap - Structure specifying a memory heap

### 5.58.2 C Specification

The VkMemoryHeap structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkMemoryHeap {
    VkDeviceSize      size;
    VkMemoryHeapFlags flags;
} VkMemoryHeap;
```

### 5.58.3 Members

- *size* is the total memory size in bytes in the heap.
- *flags* is a bitmask of attribute flags for the heap. The bits specified in *flags* are:

```
typedef enum VkMemoryHeapFlagBits {
    VK_MEMORY_HEAP_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkMemoryHeapFlagBits;
```

- if *flags* contains VK\_MEMORY\_HEAP\_DEVICE\_LOCAL\_BIT, it means the heap corresponds to device local memory. Device local memory may have different performance characteristics than host local memory, and may support different memory property flags.

### 5.58.4 Description

### 5.58.5 See Also

VkDeviceSize, VkMemoryHeapFlags, VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties

### 5.58.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryHeap>

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## 5.59 VkMemoryRequirements(3)

### 5.59.1 Name

VkMemoryRequirements - Structure specifying memory requirements

### 5.59.2 C Specification

The VkMemoryRequirements structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkMemoryRequirements {  
    VkDeviceSize    size;  
    VkDeviceSize    alignment;  
    uint32_t        memoryTypeBits;  
} VkMemoryRequirements;
```

### 5.59.3 Members

- *size* is the size, in bytes, of the memory allocation required for the resource.
- *alignment* is the alignment, in bytes, of the offset within the allocation required for the resource.
- *memoryTypeBits* is a bitmask and contains one bit set for every supported memory type for the resource. Bit *i* is set if and only if the memory type *i* in the VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties structure for the physical device is supported for the resource.

### 5.59.4 Description

### 5.59.5 See Also

VkDeviceSize, vkGetBufferMemoryRequirements, vkGetImageMemoryRequirements

### 5.59.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryRequirements>

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## 5.60 VkMemoryType(3)

### 5.60.1 Name

VkMemoryType - Structure specifying memory type

### 5.60.2 C Specification

The VkMemoryType structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkMemoryType {
    VkMemoryPropertyFlags    propertyFlags;
    uint32_t                 heapIndex;
} VkMemoryType;
```

### 5.60.3 Members

- *heapIndex* describes which memory heap this memory type corresponds to, and must be less than *memoryHeapCount* from the *VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties* structure.
- *propertyFlags* is a bitmask of properties for this memory type. The bits specified in *propertyFlags* are:

```
typedef enum VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits {
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_CACHED_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_LAZILY_ALLOCATED_BIT = 0x00000010,
} VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits;
```

- if *propertyFlags* has the *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_DEVICE\_LOCAL\_BIT* bit set, memory allocated with this type is the most efficient for device access. This property will only be set for memory types belonging to heaps with the *VK\_MEMORY\_HEAP\_DEVICE\_LOCAL\_BIT* set.
- if *propertyFlags* has the *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_HOST\_VISIBLE\_BIT* bit set, memory allocated with this type can be mapped using *vkMapMemory* so that it can be accessed on the host.
- if *propertyFlags* has the *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_HOST\_COHERENT\_BIT* bit set, host cache management commands **vkFlushMappedMemoryRanges** and **vkInvalidateMappedMemoryRanges** are not needed to make host writes visible to the device or device writes visible to the host, respectively.
- if *propertyFlags* has the *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_HOST\_CACHED\_BIT* bit set, memory allocated with this type is cached on the host. Host memory accesses to uncached memory are slower than to cached memory, however uncached memory is always host coherent.
- if *propertyFlags* has the *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_LAZILY\_ALLOCATED\_BIT* bit set, the memory type only allows device access to the memory. Memory types must not have both *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_LAZILY\_ALLOCATED\_BIT* and *VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_HOST\_VISIBLE\_BIT* set. Additionally, the object's backing memory may be provided by the implementation lazily as specified in Lazily Allocated Memory.

### 5.60.4 Description

### 5.60.5 See Also

VkMemoryPropertyFlags, VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties

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#### **5.60.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryType>

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## 5.61 VkOffset2D(3)

### 5.61.1 Name

VkOffset2D - Structure specifying a two-dimensional offset

### 5.61.2 C Specification

A two-dimensional offsets is defined by the structure:

```
typedef struct VkOffset2D {  
    int32_t    x;  
    int32_t    y;  
} VkOffset2D;
```

### 5.61.3 Members

### 5.61.4 Description

### 5.61.5 See Also

VkRect2D

### 5.61.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkOffset2D>

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## 5.62 VkOffset3D(3)

### 5.62.1 Name

VkOffset3D - Structure specifying a three-dimensional offset

### 5.62.2 C Specification

A three-dimensional offset is defined by the structure:

```
typedef struct VkOffset3D {  
    int32_t    x;  
    int32_t    y;  
    int32_t    z;  
} VkOffset3D;
```

### 5.62.3 Members

### 5.62.4 Description

### 5.62.5 See Also

VkBufferImageCopy, VkImageBlit, VkImageCopy, VkImageResolve, VkSparseImageMemoryBind

### 5.62.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkOffset3D>

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## 5.63 VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures(3)

### 5.63.1 Name

VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures - Structure describing the fine-grained features that can be supported by an implementation

### 5.63.2 C Specification

The VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures {
    VkBool32    robustBufferAccess;
    VkBool32    fullDrawIndexUint32;
    VkBool32    imageCubeArray;
    VkBool32    independentBlend;
    VkBool32    geometryShader;
    VkBool32    tessellationShader;
    VkBool32    sampleRateShading;
    VkBool32    dualSrcBlend;
    VkBool32    logicOp;
    VkBool32    multiDrawIndirect;
    VkBool32    drawIndirectFirstInstance;
    VkBool32    depthClamp;
    VkBool32    depthBiasClamp;
    VkBool32    fillModeNonSolid;
    VkBool32    depthBounds;
    VkBool32    wideLines;
    VkBool32    largePoints;
    VkBool32    alphaToOne;
    VkBool32    multiViewport;
    VkBool32    samplerAnisotropy;
    VkBool32    textureCompressionETC2;
    VkBool32    textureCompressionASTC_LDR;
    VkBool32    textureCompressionBC;
    VkBool32    occlusionQueryPrecise;
    VkBool32    pipelineStatisticsQuery;
    VkBool32    vertexPipelineStoresAndAtomics;
    VkBool32    fragmentStoresAndAtomics;
    VkBool32    shaderTessellationAndGeometryPointSize;
    VkBool32    shaderImageGatherExtended;
    VkBool32    shaderStorageImageExtendedFormats;
    VkBool32    shaderStorageImageMultisample;
    VkBool32    shaderStorageImageReadWithoutFormat;
    VkBool32    shaderStorageImageWriteWithoutFormat;
    VkBool32    shaderUniformBufferArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32    shaderSampledImageArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32    shaderStorageBufferArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32    shaderStorageImageArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32    shaderClipDistance;
    VkBool32    shaderCullDistance;
    VkBool32    shaderFloat64;
    VkBool32    shaderInt64;
    VkBool32    shaderInt16;
    VkBool32    shaderResourceResidency;
    VkBool32    shaderResourceMinLod;
    VkBool32    sparseBinding;
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VkBool32    sparseResidencyBuffer;
VkBool32    sparseResidencyImage2D;
VkBool32    sparseResidencyImage3D;
VkBool32    sparseResidency2Samples;
VkBool32    sparseResidency4Samples;
VkBool32    sparseResidency8Samples;
VkBool32    sparseResidency16Samples;
VkBool32    sparseResidencyAliased;
VkBool32    variableMultisampleRate;
VkBool32    inheritedQueries;
} VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures;

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### 5.63.3 Members

The members of the `VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures` structure describe the following features:

### 5.63.4 Description

- *robustBufferAccess* indicates that accesses to buffers are bounds-checked against the range of the buffer descriptor (as determined by `VkDescriptorBufferInfo::range`, `VkBufferViewCreateInfo::range`, or the size of the buffer). Out of bounds accesses must not cause application termination, and the effects of shader loads, stores, and atomics must conform to an implementation-dependent behavior as described below.
  - A buffer access is considered to be out of bounds if any of the following are true:
    - \* The pointer was formed by **OpImageTexelPointer** and the coordinate is less than zero or greater than or equal to the number of whole elements in the bound range.
    - \* The pointer was not formed by **OpImageTexelPointer** and the object pointed to is not wholly contained within the bound range.



#### Note

If a SPIR-V **OpLoad** instruction loads a structure and the tail end of the structure is out of bounds, then all members of the structure are considered out of bounds even if the members at the end are not statically used.

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- \* If any buffer access in a given SPIR-V block is determined to be out of bounds, then any other access of the same type (load, store, or atomic) in the same SPIR-V block that accesses an address less than 16 bytes away from the out of bounds address may also be considered out of bounds.
  - Out-of-bounds buffer loads will return any of the following values:
    - \* Values from anywhere within the memory range(s) bound to the buffer (possibly including bytes of memory past the end of the buffer, up to the end of the bound range).
    - \* Zero values, or (0,0,0,x) vectors for vector reads where x is a valid value represented in the type of the vector components and may be any of:
      - 0, 1, or the maximum representable positive integer value, for signed or unsigned integer components
      - 0.0 or 1.0, for floating-point components
  - Out-of-bounds writes may modify values within the memory range(s) bound to the buffer, but must not modify any other memory.
  - Out-of-bounds atomics may modify values within the memory range(s) bound to the buffer, but must not modify any other memory, and return an undefined value.
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- Vertex input attributes are considered out of bounds if the address of the attribute plus the size of the attribute is greater than the size of the bound buffer. Further, if any vertex input attribute using a specific vertex input binding is out of bounds, then all vertex input attributes using that vertex input binding for that vertex shader invocation are considered out of bounds.
    - \* If a vertex input attribute is out of bounds, it will be assigned one of the following values:
      - Values from anywhere within the memory range(s) bound to the buffer, converted according to the format of the attribute.
      - Zero values, format converted according to the format of the attribute.
      - Zero values, or (0,0,0,x) vectors, as described above.
  - If *robustBufferAccess* is not enabled, out of bounds accesses may corrupt any memory within the process and cause undefined behavior up to and including application termination.
  - *fullDrawIndexUint32* indicates the full 32-bit range of indices is supported for indexed draw calls when using a *VkIndexType* of *VK\_INDEX\_TYPE\_UINT32*. *maxDrawIndexedIndexValue* is the maximum index value that may be used (aside from the primitive restart index, which is always  $2^{32}-1$  when the *VkIndexType* is *VK\_INDEX\_TYPE\_UINT32*). If this feature is supported, *maxDrawIndexedIndexValue* must be  $2^{32}-1$ ; otherwise it must be no smaller than  $2^{24}-1$ . See *maxDrawIndexedIndexValue*.
  - *imageCubeArray* indicates whether image views with a *VkImageViewType* of *VK\_IMAGE\_VIEW\_TYPE\_CUBE\_ARRAY* can be created, and that the corresponding **SampledCubeArray** and **ImageCubeArray** SPIR-V capabilities can be used in shader code.
  - *independentBlend* indicates whether the *VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState* settings are controlled independently per-attachment. If this feature is not enabled, the *VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState* settings for all color attachments must be identical. Otherwise, a different *VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState* can be provided for each bound color attachment.
  - *geometryShader* indicates whether geometry shaders are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *VK\_SHADER\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_BIT* and *VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT* enum values must not be used. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **Geometry** capability.
  - *tessellationShader* indicates whether tessellation control and evaluation shaders are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *VK\_SHADER\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_BIT*, *VK\_SHADER\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_BIT*, *VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT*, *VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_SHADER\_BIT*, and *VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_TESSELLATION\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO* enum values must not be used. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **Tessellation** capability.
  - *sampleRateShading* indicates whether per-sample shading and multisample interpolation are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *sampleShadingEnable* member of the *VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo* structure must be set to *VK\_FALSE* and the *minSampleShading* member is ignored. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **SampleRateShading** capability.
  - *dualSrcBlend* indicates whether blend operations which take two sources are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_COLOR*, *VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_COLOR*, *VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_ALPHA*, and *VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_ALPHA* enum values must not be used as source or destination blending factors. See [?].
  - *logicOp* indicates whether logic operations are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *logicOpEnable* member of the *VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo* structure must be set to *VK\_FALSE*, and the *logicOp* member is ignored.
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- *multiDrawIndirect* indicates whether multiple draw indirect is supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *drawCount* parameter to the **vkCmdDrawIndirect** and **vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect** commands must be 0 or 1. The *maxDrawIndirectCount* member of the `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits` structure must also be 1 if this feature is not supported. See *maxDrawIndirectCount*.
  - *drawIndirectFirstInstance* indicates whether indirect draw calls support the *firstInstance* parameter. If this feature is not enabled, the *firstInstance* member of all `VkDrawIndirectCommand` and `VkDrawIndexedIndirectCommand` structures that are provided to the **vkCmdDrawIndirect** and **vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect** commands must be 0.
  - *depthClamp* indicates whether depth clamping is supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *depthClampEnable* member of the `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` structure must be set to `VK_FALSE`. Otherwise, setting *depthClampEnable* to `VK_TRUE` will enable depth clamping.
  - *depthBiasClamp* indicates whether depth bias clamping is supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *depthBiasClamp* member of the `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` structure must be set to 0.0 unless the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BIAS` dynamic state is enabled, and the *depthBiasClamp* parameter to **vkCmdSetDepthBias** must be set to 0.0.
  - *fillModeNonSolid* indicates whether point and wireframe fill modes are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the `VK_POLYGON_MODE_POINT` and `VK_POLYGON_MODE_LINE` enum values must not be used.
  - *depthBounds* indicates whether depth bounds tests are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *depthBoundsTestEnable* member of the `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` structure must be set to `VK_FALSE`. When *depthBoundsTestEnable* is set to `VK_FALSE`, the *minDepthBounds* and *maxDepthBounds* members of the `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` structure are ignored.
  - *wideLines* indicates whether lines with width other than 1.0 are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *lineWidth* member of the `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` structure must be set to 1.0 unless the `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_LINE_WIDTH` dynamic state is enabled, and the *lineWidth* parameter to **vkCmdSetLineWidth** must be set to 1.0. When this feature is supported, the range and granularity of supported line widths are indicated by the *lineWidthRange* and *lineWidthGranularity* members of the `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits` structure, respectively.
  - *largePoints* indicates whether points with size greater than 1.0 are supported. If this feature is not enabled, only a point size of 1.0 written by a shader is supported. The range and granularity of supported point sizes are indicated by the *pointSizeRange* and *pointSizeGranularity* members of the `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits` structure, respectively.
  - *alphaToOne* indicates whether the implementation is able to replace the alpha value of the color fragment output from the fragment shader with the maximum representable alpha value for fixed-point colors or 1.0 for floating-point colors. If this feature is not enabled, then the *alphaToOneEnable* member of the `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo` structure must be set to `VK_FALSE`. Otherwise setting *alphaToOneEnable* to `VK_TRUE` will enable alpha-to-one behavior.
  - *multiViewport* indicates whether more than one viewport is supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *viewportCount* and *scissorCount* members of the `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo` structure must be set to 1. Similarly, the *viewportCount* parameter to the **vkCmdSetViewport** command and the *scissorCount* parameter to the **vkCmdSetScissor** command must be 1, and the *firstViewport* parameter to the **vkCmdSetViewport** command and the *firstScissor* parameter to the **vkCmdSetScissor** command must be 0.
  - *samplerAnisotropy* indicates whether anisotropic filtering is supported. If this feature is not enabled, the *maxAnisotropy* member of the `VkSamplerCreateInfo` structure must be 1.0.
  - *textureCompressionETC2* indicates whether the ETC2 and EAC compressed texture formats are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the following formats must not be used to create images:
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- VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A1\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A1\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A8\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A8\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11\_SNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11G11\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11G11\_SNORM\_BLOCK

`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties` is used to check for the supported properties of individual formats.

- *textureCompressionASTC\_LDR* indicates whether the ASTC LDR compressed texture formats are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the following formats must not be used to create images:

- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_4x4\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_4x4\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x4\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x4\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x8\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x8\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x8\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x8\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x10\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_UNORM\_BLOCK

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- VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK
  - VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_UNORM\_BLOCK
  - VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_SRGB\_BLOCK

`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties` is used to check for the supported properties of individual formats.

- *textureCompressionBC* indicates whether the BC compressed texture formats are supported. If this feature is not enabled, the following formats must not be used to create images:

- VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_SNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_SNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_UFLOAT\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_SFLOAT\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_UNORM\_BLOCK
- VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_SRGB\_BLOCK

`vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties` is used to check for the supported properties of individual formats.

- *occlusionQueryPrecise* indicates whether occlusion queries returning actual sample counts are supported. Occlusion queries are created in a `VkQueryPool` by specifying the *queryType* of `VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION` in the `VkQueryPoolCreateInfo` structure which is passed to **`vkCreateQueryPool`**. If this feature is enabled, queries of this type can enable `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT` in the *flags* parameter to **`vkCmdBeginQuery`**. If this feature is not supported, the implementation supports only boolean occlusion queries. When any samples are passed, boolean queries will return a non-zero result value, otherwise a result value of zero is returned. When this feature is enabled and `VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT` is set, occlusion queries will report the actual number of samples passed.
  - *pipelineStatisticsQuery* indicates whether the pipeline statistics queries are supported. If this feature is not enabled, queries of type `VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS` cannot be created, and none of the `VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits` bits can be set in the *pipelineStatistics* member of the `VkQueryPoolCreateInfo` structure.
  - *vertexPipelineStoresAndAtomics* indicates whether storage buffers and images support stores and atomic operations in the vertex, tessellation, and geometry shader stages. If this feature is not enabled, all storage image, storage texel buffers, and storage buffer variables used by these stages in shader modules must be decorated with the **`NonWriteable`** decoration (or the **`readonly`** memory qualifier in GLSL).
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- *fragmentStoresAndAtomics* indicates whether storage buffers and images support stores and atomic operations in the fragment shader stage. If this feature is not enabled, all storage image, storage texel buffers, and storage buffer variables used by the fragment stage in shader modules must be decorated with the **NonWriteable** decoration (or the **readonly** memory qualifier in GLSL).
  - *shaderTessellationAndGeometryPointSize* indicates whether the **PointSize** built-in decoration is available in the tessellation control, tessellation evaluation, and geometry shader stages. If this feature is not enabled, members decorated with the **PointSize** built-in decoration must not be read from or written to and all points written from a tessellation or geometry shader will have a size of 1.0. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **TessellationPointSize** capability for tessellation control and evaluation shaders, or if the shader modules can declare the **GeometryPointSize** capability for geometry shaders. An implementation supporting this feature must also support one or both of the **tessellationShader** or **geometryShader** features.
  - *shaderImageGatherExtended* indicates whether the extended set of image gather instructions are available in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, the **OpImage\*Gather** instructions do not support the **Offset** and **ConstOffsets** operands. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **ImageGatherExtended** capability.
  - *shaderStorageImageExtendedFormats* indicates whether the extended storage image formats are available in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, the formats requiring the **StorageImageExtendedFormats** capability are not supported for storage images. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **StorageImageExtendedFormats** capability.
  - *shaderStorageImageMultisample* indicates whether multisampled storage images are supported. If this feature is not enabled, images that are created with a *usage* that includes **VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_STORAGE\_BIT** must be created with *samples* equal to **VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_1\_BIT**. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **StorageImageMultisample** capability.
  - *shaderStorageImageReadWithoutFormat* indicates whether storage images require a format qualifier to be specified when reading from storage images. If this feature is not enabled, the **OpImageRead** instruction must not have an **OpTypeImage** of **Unknown**. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **StorageImageReadWithoutFormat** capability.
  - *shaderStorageImageWriteWithoutFormat* indicates whether storage images require a format qualifier to be specified when writing to storage images. If this feature is not enabled, the **OpImageWrite** instruction must not have an **OpTypeImage** of **Unknown**. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **StorageImageWriteWithoutFormat** capability.
  - *shaderUniformBufferArrayDynamicIndexing* indicates whether arrays of uniform buffers can be indexed by dynamically uniform integer expressions in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, resources with a descriptor type of **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_UNIFORM\_BUFFER** or **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_UNIFORM\_BUFFER\_DYNAMIC** must be indexed only by constant integral expressions when aggregated into arrays in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **UniformBufferArrayDynamicIndexing** capability.
  - *shaderSampledImageArrayDynamicIndexing* indicates whether arrays of samplers or sampled images can be indexed by dynamically uniform integer expressions in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, resources with a descriptor type of **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_SAMPLER**, **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_COMBINED\_IMAGE\_SAMPLER**, or **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_SAMPLED\_IMAGE** must be indexed only by constant integral expressions when aggregated into arrays in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **SampledImageArrayDynamicIndexing** capability.
  - *shaderStorageBufferArrayDynamicIndexing* indicates whether arrays of storage buffers can be indexed by dynamically uniform integer expressions in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, resources with a descriptor type of **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_BUFFER** or **VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_BUFFER\_DYNAMIC** must be indexed only by constant integral expressions when aggregated into arrays in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **StorageBufferArrayDynamicIndexing** capability.
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- *shaderStorageImageArrayDynamicIndexing* indicates whether arrays of storage images can be indexed by dynamically uniform integer expressions in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, resources with a descriptor type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE` must be indexed only by constant integral expressions when aggregated into arrays in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **StorageImageArrayDynamicIndexing** capability.
  - *shaderClipDistance* indicates whether clip distances are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, any members decorated with the **ClipDistance** built-in decoration must not be read from or written to in shader modules. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **ClipDistance** capability.
  - *shaderCullDistance* indicates whether cull distances are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, any members decorated with the **CullDistance** built-in decoration must not be read from or written to in shader modules. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **CullDistance** capability.
  - *shaderFloat64* indicates whether 64-bit floats (doubles) are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, 64-bit floating-point types must not be used in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **Float64** capability.
  - *shaderInt64* indicates whether 64-bit integers (signed and unsigned) are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, 64-bit integer types must not be used in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **Int64** capability.
  - *shaderInt16* indicates whether 16-bit integers (signed and unsigned) are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, 16-bit integer types must not be used in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **Int16** capability.
  - *shaderResourceResidency* indicates whether image operations that return resource residency information are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, the **OpImageSparse\*** instructions must not be used in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **SparseResidency** capability. The feature requires at least one of the *sparseResidency\** features to be supported.
  - *shaderResourceMinLod* indicates whether image operations that specify the minimum resource level-of-detail (LOD) are supported in shader code. If this feature is not enabled, the **MinLod** image operand must not be used in shader code. This also indicates whether shader modules can declare the **MinLod** capability.
  - *sparseBinding* indicates whether resource memory can be managed at opaque sparse block level instead of at the object level. If this feature is not enabled, resource memory must be bound only on a per-object basis using the **vkBindBufferMemory** and **vkBindImageMemory** commands. In this case, buffers and images must not be created with `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` and `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkBufferCreateInfo` and `VkImageCreateInfo` structures, respectively. Otherwise resource memory can be managed as described in Sparse Resource Features.
  - *sparseResidencyBuffer* indicates whether the device can access partially resident buffers. If this feature is not enabled, buffers must not be created with `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkBufferCreateInfo` structure.
  - *sparseResidencyImage2D* indicates whether the device can access partially resident 2D images with 1 sample per pixel. If this feature is not enabled, images with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *samples* set to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT` must not be created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure.
  - *sparseResidencyImage3D* indicates whether the device can access partially resident 3D images. If this feature is not enabled, images with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D` must not be created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure.
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- *sparseResidency2Samples* indicates whether the physical device can access partially resident 2D images with 2 samples per pixel. If this feature is not enabled, images with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *samples* set to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_2_BIT` must not be created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure.
- *sparseResidency4Samples* indicates whether the physical device can access partially resident 2D images with 4 samples per pixel. If this feature is not enabled, images with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *samples* set to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_4_BIT` must not be created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure.
- *sparseResidency8Samples* indicates whether the physical device can access partially resident 2D images with 8 samples per pixel. If this feature is not enabled, images with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *samples* set to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_8_BIT` must not be created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure.
- *sparseResidency16Samples* indicates whether the physical device can access partially resident 2D images with 16 samples per pixel. If this feature is not enabled, images with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and *samples* set to `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_16_BIT` must not be created with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` set in the *flags* member of the `VkImageCreateInfo` structure.
- *sparseResidencyAliased* indicates whether the physical device can correctly access data aliased into multiple locations. If this feature is not enabled, the `VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT` and `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT` enum values must not be used in *flags* members of the `VkBufferCreateInfo` and `VkImageCreateInfo` structures, respectively.
- *variableMultisampleRate* indicates whether all pipelines that will be bound to a command buffer during a subpass with no attachments must have the same value for `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo::rasterizationSamples`. If set to `VK_TRUE`, the implementation supports variable multisample rates in a subpass with no attachments. If set to `VK_FALSE`, then all pipelines bound in such a subpass must have the same multisample rate. This has no effect in situations where a subpass uses any attachments.
- *inheritedQueries* indicates whether a secondary command buffer may be executed while a query is active.

#### Valid Usage

- If any member of this structure is `VK_FALSE`, as returned by `vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures`, then it must be `VK_FALSE` when passed as part of the `VkDeviceCreateInfo` struct when creating a device

#### 5.63.5 See Also

`VkBool32`, `VkDeviceCreateInfo`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceFeatures`

#### 5.63.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures>

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## 5.64 VkPhysicalDeviceLimits(3)

### 5.64.1 Name

VkPhysicalDeviceLimits - Structure reporting implementation-dependent physical device limits

### 5.64.2 C Specification

The VkPhysicalDeviceLimits structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPhysicalDeviceLimits {
    uint32_t          maxImageDimension1D;
    uint32_t          maxImageDimension2D;
    uint32_t          maxImageDimension3D;
    uint32_t          maxImageDimensionCube;
    uint32_t          maxImageArrayLayers;
    uint32_t          maxTexelBufferElements;
    uint32_t          maxUniformBufferRange;
    uint32_t          maxStorageBufferRange;
    uint32_t          maxPushConstantsSize;
    uint32_t          maxMemoryAllocationCount;
    uint32_t          maxSamplerAllocationCount;
    VkDeviceSize      bufferImageGranularity;
    VkDeviceSize      sparseAddressSpaceSize;
    uint32_t          maxBoundDescriptorSets;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageDescriptorSamplers;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageDescriptorUniformBuffers;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageDescriptorStorageBuffers;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageDescriptorSampledImages;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageDescriptorStorageImages;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageDescriptorInputAttachments;
    uint32_t          maxPerStageResources;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetSamplers;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetUniformBuffers;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetUniformBuffersDynamic;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetStorageBuffers;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetStorageBuffersDynamic;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetSampledImages;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetStorageImages;
    uint32_t          maxDescriptorSetInputAttachments;
    uint32_t          maxVertexInputAttributes;
    uint32_t          maxVertexInputBindings;
    uint32_t          maxVertexInputAttributeOffset;
    uint32_t          maxVertexInputBindingStride;
    uint32_t          maxVertexOutputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationGenerationLevel;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationPatchSize;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationControlPerVertexInputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationControlPerVertexOutputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationControlPerPatchOutputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationControlTotalOutputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationEvaluationInputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxTessellationEvaluationOutputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxGeometryShaderInvocations;
    uint32_t          maxGeometryInputComponents;
    uint32_t          maxGeometryOutputComponents;
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uint32_t      maxGeometryOutputVertices;
uint32_t      maxGeometryTotalOutputComponents;
uint32_t      maxFragmentInputComponents;
uint32_t      maxFragmentOutputAttachments;
uint32_t      maxFragmentDualSrcAttachments;
uint32_t      maxFragmentCombinedOutputResources;
uint32_t      maxComputeSharedMemorySize;
uint32_t      maxComputeWorkGroupCount[3];
uint32_t      maxComputeWorkGroupInvocations;
uint32_t      maxComputeWorkGroupSize[3];
uint32_t      subPixelPrecisionBits;
uint32_t      subTexelPrecisionBits;
uint32_t      mipmapPrecisionBits;
uint32_t      maxDrawIndexedIndexValue;
uint32_t      maxDrawIndirectCount;
float         maxSamplerLodBias;
float         maxSamplerAnisotropy;
uint32_t      maxViewports;
uint32_t      maxViewportDimensions[2];
float         viewportBoundsRange[2];
uint32_t      viewportSubPixelBits;
size_t        minMemoryMapAlignment;
VkDeviceSize  minTexelBufferOffsetAlignment;
VkDeviceSize  minUniformBufferOffsetAlignment;
VkDeviceSize  minStorageBufferOffsetAlignment;
int32_t       minTexelOffset;
uint32_t      maxTexelOffset;
int32_t       minTexelGatherOffset;
uint32_t      maxTexelGatherOffset;
float         minInterpolationOffset;
float         maxInterpolationOffset;
uint32_t      subPixelInterpolationOffsetBits;
uint32_t      maxFramebufferWidth;
uint32_t      maxFramebufferHeight;
uint32_t      maxFramebufferLayers;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferColorSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferDepthSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferStencilSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferNoAttachmentsSampleCounts;
uint32_t      maxColorAttachments;
VkSampleCountFlags sampledImageColorSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags sampledImageIntegerSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags sampledImageDepthSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags sampledImageStencilSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags storageImageSampleCounts;
uint32_t      maxSampleMaskWords;
VkBool32      timestampComputeAndGraphics;
float         timestampPeriod;
uint32_t      maxClipDistances;
uint32_t      maxCullDistances;
uint32_t      maxCombinedClipAndCullDistances;
uint32_t      discreteQueuePriorities;
float         pointSizeRange[2];
float         lineWidthRange[2];
float         pointSizeGranularity;
float         lineWidthGranularity;
VkBool32      strictLines;
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    VkBool32          standardSampleLocations;
    VkDeviceSize       optimalBufferCopyOffsetAlignment;
    VkDeviceSize       optimalBufferCopyRowPitchAlignment;
    VkDeviceSize       nonCoherentAtomSize;
} VkPhysicalDeviceLimits;

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### 5.64.3 Members

- *maxImageDimension1D* is the maximum dimension (*width*) of an image created with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D`.
  - *maxImageDimension2D* is the maximum dimension (*width* or *height*) of an image created with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and without `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT` set in *flags*.
  - *maxImageDimension3D* is the maximum dimension (*width*, *height*, or *depth*) of an image created with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D`.
  - *maxImageDimensionCube* is the maximum dimension (*width* or *height*) of an image created with an *imageType* of `VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D` and with `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT` set in *flags*.
  - *maxImageArrayLayers* is the maximum number of layers (*arrayLayers*) for an image.
  - *maxTexelBufferElements* is the maximum number of addressable texels for a buffer view created on a buffer which was created with the `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` or `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` set in the *usage* member of the `VkBufferCreateInfo` structure.
  - *maxUniformBufferRange* is the maximum value that can be specified in the *range* member of any `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` structures passed to a call to `vkUpdateDescriptorSets` for descriptors of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`.
  - *maxStorageBufferRange* is the maximum value that can be specified in the *range* member of any `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` structures passed to a call to `vkUpdateDescriptorSets` for descriptors of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`.
  - *maxPushConstantsSize* is the maximum size, in bytes, of the pool of push constant memory. For each of the push constant ranges indicated by the *pPushConstantRanges* member of the `VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo` structure, *offset* + *size* must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *maxMemoryAllocationCount* is the maximum number of device memory allocations, as created by `vkAllocateMemory`, which can simultaneously exist.
  - *maxSamplerAllocationCount* is the maximum number of sampler objects, as created by `vkCreateSampler`, which can simultaneously exist on a device.
  - *bufferImageGranularity* is the granularity, in bytes, at which buffer or linear image resources, and optimal image resources can be bound to adjacent offsets in the same `VkDeviceMemory` object without aliasing. See Buffer-Image Granularity for more details.
  - *sparseAddressSpaceSize* is the total amount of address space available, in bytes, for sparse memory resources. This is an upper bound on the sum of the size of all sparse resources, regardless of whether any memory is bound to them.
  - *maxBoundDescriptorSets* is the maximum number of descriptor sets that can be simultaneously used by a pipeline. All **DescriptorSet** decorations in shader modules must have a value less than *maxBoundDescriptorSets*. See [?].
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- *maxPerStageDescriptorSamplers* is the maximum number of samplers that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER` count against this limit. A descriptor is accessible to a shader stage when the *stageFlags* member of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structure has the bit for that shader stage set. See [?] and [?].
  - *maxPerStageDescriptorUniformBuffers* is the maximum number of uniform buffers that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` count against this limit. A descriptor is accessible to a shader stage when the *stageFlags* member of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structure has the bit for that shader stage set. See [?] and [?].
  - *maxPerStageDescriptorStorageBuffers* is the maximum number of storage buffers that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` count against this limit. A descriptor is accessible to a pipeline shader stage when the *stageFlags* member of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structure has the bit for that shader stage set. See [?] and [?].
  - *maxPerStageDescriptorSampledImages* is the maximum number of sampled images that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER` count against this limit. A descriptor is accessible to a pipeline shader stage when the *stageFlags* member of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structure has the bit for that shader stage set. See [?], [?], and [?].
  - *maxPerStageDescriptorStorageImages* is the maximum number of storage images that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER` count against this limit. A descriptor is accessible to a pipeline shader stage when the *stageFlags* member of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structure has the bit for that shader stage set. See [?], and [?].
  - *maxPerStageDescriptorInputAttachments* is the maximum number of input attachments that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT` count against this limit. A descriptor is accessible to a pipeline shader stage when the *stageFlags* member of the `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding` structure has the bit for that shader stage set. These are only supported for the fragment stage. See [?].
  - *maxPerStageResources* is the maximum number of resources that can be accessible to a single shader stage in a pipeline layout. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT` count against this limit. For the fragment shader stage the framebuffer color attachments also count against this limit.
  - *maxDescriptorSetSamplers* is the maximum number of samplers that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER` count against this limit. See [?] and [?].
  - *maxDescriptorSetUniformBuffers* is the maximum number of uniform buffers that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` count against this limit. See [?] and [?].
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- *maxDescriptorSetUniformBuffersDynamic* is the maximum number of dynamic uniform buffers that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` count against this limit. See [?].
  - *maxDescriptorSetStorageBuffers* is the maximum number of storage buffers that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` count against this limit. See [?] and [?].
  - *maxDescriptorSetStorageBuffersDynamic* is the maximum number of dynamic storage buffers that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` count against this limit. See [?].
  - *maxDescriptorSetSampledImages* is the maximum number of sampled images that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER` count against this limit. See [?], [?], and [?].
  - *maxDescriptorSetStorageImages* is the maximum number of storage images that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER` count against this limit. See [?], and [?].
  - *maxDescriptorSetInputAttachments* is the maximum number of input attachments that can be included in descriptor bindings in a pipeline layout across all pipeline shader stages and descriptor set numbers. Descriptors with a type of `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT` count against this limit. See [?].
  - *maxVertexInputAttributes* is the maximum number of vertex input attributes that can be specified for a graphics pipeline. These are described in the array of `VkVertexInputAttributeDescription` structures that are provided at graphics pipeline creation time via the *pVertexAttributeDescriptions* member of the `VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo` structure. See [?] and [?].
  - *maxVertexInputBindings* is the maximum number of vertex buffers that can be specified for providing vertex attributes to a graphics pipeline. These are described in the array of `VkVertexInputBindingDescription` structures that are provided at graphics pipeline creation time via the *pVertexBindingDescriptions* member of the `VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo` structure. The *binding* member of `VkVertexInputBindingDescription` must be less than this limit. See [?].
  - *maxVertexInputAttributeOffset* is the maximum vertex input attribute offset that can be added to the vertex input binding stride. The *offset* member of the `VkVertexInputAttributeDescription` structure must be less than or equal to this limit. See [?].
  - *maxVertexInputBindingStride* is the maximum vertex input binding stride that can be specified in a vertex input binding. The *stride* member of the `VkVertexInputBindingDescription` structure must be less than or equal to this limit. See [?].
  - *maxVertexOutputComponents* is the maximum number of components of output variables which can be output by a vertex shader. See [?].
  - *maxTessellationGenerationLevel* is the maximum tessellation generation level supported by the fixed-function tessellation primitive generator. See [?].
  - *maxTessellationPatchSize* is the maximum patch size, in vertices, of patches that can be processed by the tessellation control shader and tessellation primitive generator. The *patchControlPoints* member of the `VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo` structure specified at pipeline creation time and the value provided in the **OutputVertices** execution mode of shader modules must be less than or equal to this limit. See [?].
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- *maxTessellationControlPerVertexInputComponents* is the maximum number of components of input variables which can be provided as per-vertex inputs to the tessellation control shader stage.
  - *maxTessellationControlPerVertexOutputComponents* is the maximum number of components of per-vertex output variables which can be output from the tessellation control shader stage.
  - *maxTessellationControlPerPatchOutputComponents* is the maximum number of components of per-patch output variables which can be output from the tessellation control shader stage.
  - *maxTessellationControlTotalOutputComponents* is the maximum total number of components of per-vertex and per-patch output variables which can be output from the tessellation control shader stage.
  - *maxTessellationEvaluationInputComponents* is the maximum number of components of input variables which can be provided as per-vertex inputs to the tessellation evaluation shader stage.
  - *maxTessellationEvaluationOutputComponents* is the maximum number of components of per-vertex output variables which can be output from the tessellation evaluation shader stage.
  - *maxGeometryShaderInvocations* is the maximum invocation count supported for instanced geometry shaders. The value provided in the **Invocations** execution mode of shader modules must be less than or equal to this limit. See [?].
  - *maxGeometryInputComponents* is the maximum number of components of input variables which can be provided as inputs to the geometry shader stage.
  - *maxGeometryOutputComponents* is the maximum number of components of output variables which can be output from the geometry shader stage.
  - *maxGeometryOutputVertices* is the maximum number of vertices which can be emitted by any geometry shader.
  - *maxGeometryTotalOutputComponents* is the maximum total number of components of output, across all emitted vertices, which can be output from the geometry shader stage.
  - *maxFragmentInputComponents* is the maximum number of components of input variables which can be provided as inputs to the fragment shader stage.
  - *maxFragmentOutputAttachments* is the maximum number of output attachments which can be written to by the fragment shader stage.
  - *maxFragmentDualSrcAttachments* is the maximum number of output attachments which can be written to by the fragment shader stage when blending is enabled and one of the dual source blend modes is in use. See [?] and **dualSrcBlend**.
  - *maxFragmentCombinedOutputResources* is the total number of storage buffers, storage images, and output buffers which can be used in the fragment shader stage.
  - *maxComputeSharedMemorySize* is the maximum total storage size, in bytes, of all variables declared with the **WorkgroupLocal** storage class in shader modules (or with the **shared** storage qualifier in GLSL) in the compute shader stage.
  - *maxComputeWorkGroupCount*[3] is the maximum number of local workgroups that can be dispatched by a single dispatch command. These three values represent the maximum number of local workgroups for the X, Y, and Z dimensions, respectively. The *x*, *y*, and *z* parameters to the `vkCmdDispatch` command, or members of the `VkDispatchIndirectCommand` structure must be less than or equal to the corresponding limit. See [?].
  - *maxComputeWorkGroupInvocations* is the maximum total number of compute shader invocations in a single local workgroup. The product of the X, Y, and Z sizes as specified by the **LocalSize** execution mode in shader modules and by the object decorated by the **WorkgroupSize** decoration must be less than or equal to this limit.
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- *maxComputeWorkGroupSize*[3] is the maximum size of a local compute workgroup, per dimension. These three values represent the maximum local workgroup size in the X, Y, and Z dimensions, respectively. The *x*, *y*, and *z* sizes specified by the **LocalSize** execution mode and by the object decorated by the **WorkgroupSize** decoration in shader modules must be less than or equal to the corresponding limit.
  - *subPixelPrecisionBits* is the number of bits of subpixel precision in framebuffer coordinates *x<sub>f</sub>* and *y<sub>f</sub>*. See [?].
  - *subTexelPrecisionBits* is the number of bits of precision in the division along an axis of an image used for minification and magnification filters.  $2^{\text{subTexelPrecisionBits}}$  is the actual number of divisions along each axis of the image represented. The filtering hardware will snap to these locations when computing the filtered results.
  - *mipmapPrecisionBits* is the number of bits of division that the LOD calculation for mipmap fetching get snapped to when determining the contribution from each mip level to the mip filtered results.  $2^{\text{mipmapPrecisionBits}}$  is the actual number of divisions.
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#### Note

For example, if this value is 2 bits then when linearly filtering between two levels, each level could contribute: 0%, 33%, 66%, or 100% (this is just an example and the amount of contribution should be covered by different equations in the spec).

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- *maxDrawIndexedIndexValue* is the maximum index value that can be used for indexed draw calls when using 32-bit indices. This excludes the primitive restart index value of 0xFFFFFFFF. See *fullDrawIndexUint32*.
- *maxDrawIndirectCount* is the maximum draw count that is supported for indirect draw calls. See *multiDrawIndirect*.
- *maxSamplerLodBias* is the maximum absolute sampler level of detail bias. The sum of the *mipLodBias* member of the *VkSamplerCreateInfo* structure and the **Bias** operand of image sampling operations in shader modules (or 0 if no **Bias** operand is provided to an image sampling operation) are clamped to the range  $[-\text{maxSamplerLodBias}, +\text{maxSamplerLodBias}]$ . See [samplers-mipLodBias].
- *maxSamplerAnisotropy* is the maximum degree of sampler anisotropy. The maximum degree of anisotropic filtering used for an image sampling operation is the minimum of the *maxAnisotropy* member of the *VkSamplerCreateInfo* structure and this limit. See [samplers-maxAnisotropy].
- *maxViewports* is the maximum number of active viewports. The *viewportCount* member of the *VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo* structure that is provided at pipeline creation must be less than or equal to this limit.
- *maxViewportDimensions*[2] are the maximum viewport dimensions in the X (width) and Y (height) dimensions, respectively. The maximum viewport dimensions must be greater than or equal to the largest image which can be created and used as a framebuffer attachment. See *Controlling the Viewport*.
- *viewportBoundsRange*[2] is the  $[\text{minimum}, \text{maximum}]$  range that the corners of a viewport must be contained in. This range must be at least  $[-2 \times \text{maxViewportDimensions}, 2 \times \text{maxViewportDimensions} - 1]$ .

See *Controlling the Viewport*.

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#### Note

The intent of the *viewportBoundsRange* limit is to allow a maximum sized viewport to be arbitrarily shifted relative to the output target as long as at least some portion intersects. This would give a bounds limit of  $[-\text{maxViewportDimensions} + 1, 2 \times \text{maxViewportDimensions} - 1]$ , which would allow all possible non-empty-set intersections of the output target and the viewport. Since these numbers are typically powers of two, picking the signed number range using the smallest possible number of bits ends up with the specified range.

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- *viewportSubPixelBits* is the number of bits of subpixel precision for viewport bounds. The subpixel precision that floating-point viewport bounds are interpreted at is given by this limit.
  - *minMemoryMapAlignment* is the minimum required alignment, in bytes, of host visible memory allocations within the host address space. When mapping a memory allocation with `vkMapMemory`, subtracting *offset* bytes from the returned pointer will always produce an integer multiple of this limit. See [?].
  - *minTexelBufferOffsetAlignment* is the minimum required alignment, in bytes, for the *offset* member of the `VkBufferViewCreateInfo` structure for texel buffers. When a buffer view is created for a buffer which was created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` or `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` set in the *usage* member of the `VkBufferCreateInfo` structure, the *offset* must be an integer multiple of this limit.
  - *minUniformBufferOffsetAlignment* is the minimum required alignment, in bytes, for the *offset* member of the `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` structure for uniform buffers. When a descriptor of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` is updated, the *offset* must be an integer multiple of this limit. Similarly, dynamic offsets for uniform buffers must be multiples of this limit.
  - *minStorageBufferOffsetAlignment* is the minimum required alignment, in bytes, for the *offset* member of the `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` structure for storage buffers. When a descriptor of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` is updated, the *offset* must be an integer multiple of this limit. Similarly, dynamic offsets for storage buffers must be multiples of this limit.
  - *minTexelOffset* is the minimum offset value for the **ConstOffset** image operand of any of the **OpImageSample\*** or **OpImageFetch\*** image instructions.
  - *maxTexelOffset* is the maximum offset value for the **ConstOffset** image operand of any of the **OpImageSample\*** or **OpImageFetch\*** image instructions.
  - *minTexelGatherOffset* is the minimum offset value for the **Offset** or **ConstOffsets** image operands of any of the **OpImage\*Gather** image instructions.
  - *maxTexelGatherOffset* is the maximum offset value for the **Offset** or **ConstOffsets** image operands of any of the **OpImage\*Gather** image instructions.
  - *minInterpolationOffset* is the minimum negative offset value for the **offset** operand of the **InterpolateAtOffset** extended instruction.
  - *maxInterpolationOffset* is the maximum positive offset value for the **offset** operand of the **InterpolateAtOffset** extended instruction.
  - *subPixelInterpolationOffsetBits* is the number of subpixel fractional bits that the **x** and **y** offsets to the **InterpolateAtOffset** extended instruction may be rounded to as fixed-point values.
  - *maxFramebufferWidth* is the maximum width for a framebuffer. The *width* member of the `VkFramebufferCreateInfo` structure must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *maxFramebufferHeight* is the maximum height for a framebuffer. The *height* member of the `VkFramebufferCreateInfo` structure must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *maxFramebufferLayers* is the maximum layer count for a layered framebuffer. The *layers* member of the `VkFramebufferCreateInfo` structure must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *framebufferColorSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the color sample counts that are supported for all framebuffer color attachments.
  - *framebufferDepthSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the supported depth sample counts for all framebuffer depth/stencil attachments, when the format includes a depth component.
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- *framebufferStencilSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the supported stencil sample counts for all framebuffer depth/stencil attachments, when the format includes a stencil component.
  - *framebufferNoAttachmentsSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the supported sample counts for a framebuffer with no attachments.
  - *maxColorAttachments* is the maximum number of color attachments that can be used by a subpass in a render pass. The *colorAttachmentCount* member of the `VkSubpassDescription` structure must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *sampledImageColorSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the sample counts supported for all 2D images created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT`, and a non-integer color format.
  - *sampledImageIntegerSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the sample counts supported for all 2D images created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT`, and an integer color format.
  - *sampledImageDepthSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the sample counts supported for all 2D images created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT`, and a depth format.
  - *sampledImageStencilSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the sample counts supported for all 2D images created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT`, and a stencil format.
  - *storageImageSampleCounts* is a bitmask<sup>1</sup> of `VkSampleCountFlagBits` bits indicating the sample counts supported for all 2D images created with `VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL`, and *usage* containing `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_STORAGE_BIT`.
  - *maxSampleMaskWords* is the maximum number of array elements of a variable decorated with the **SampleMask** built-in decoration.
  - *timestampComputeAndGraphics* indicates support for timestamps on all graphics and compute queues. If this limit is set to `VK_TRUE`, all queues that advertise the `VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT` or `VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT` in the `VkQueueFamilyProperties::queueFlags` support `VkQueueFamilyProperties::timestampValidBits` of at least 36. See [Timestamp Queries](#).
  - *timestampPeriod* is the number of nanoseconds required for a timestamp query to be incremented by 1. See [Timestamp Queries](#).
  - *maxClipDistances* is the maximum number of clip distances that can be used in a single shader stage. The size of any array declared with the **ClipDistance** built-in decoration in a shader module must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *maxCullDistances* is the maximum number of cull distances that can be used in a single shader stage. The size of any array declared with the **CullDistance** built-in decoration in a shader module must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *maxCombinedClipAndCullDistances* is the maximum combined number of clip and cull distances that can be used in a single shader stage. The sum of the sizes of any pair of arrays declared with the **ClipDistance** and **CullDistance** built-in decoration used by a single shader stage in a shader module must be less than or equal to this limit.
  - *discreteQueuePriorities* is the number of discrete priorities that can be assigned to a queue based on the value of each member of `VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo::pQueuePriorities`. This must be at least 2, and levels must be spread evenly over the range, with at least one level at 1.0, and another at 0.0. See [\[?\]](#).
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- *pointSizeRange*[2] is the range [*minimum*, *maximum*] of supported sizes for points. Values written to variables decorated with the **PointSize** built-in decoration are clamped to this range.
- *lineWidthRange*[2] is the range [*minimum*, *maximum*] of supported widths for lines. Values specified by the *lineWidth* member of the *VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo* or the *lineWidth* parameter to **vkCmdSetLineWidth** are clamped to this range.
- *pointSizeGranularity* is the granularity of supported point sizes. Not all point sizes in the range defined by *pointSizeRange* are supported. This limit specifies the granularity (or increment) between successive supported point sizes.
- *lineWidthGranularity* is the granularity of supported line widths. Not all line widths in the range defined by *lineWidthRange* are supported. This limit specifies the granularity (or increment) between successive supported line widths.
- *strictLines* indicates whether lines are rasterized according to the preferred method of rasterization. If set to *VK\_FALSE*, lines may be rasterized under a relaxed set of rules. If set to *VK\_TRUE*, lines are rasterized as per the strict definition. See Basic Line Segment Rasterization.
- *standardSampleLocations* indicates whether rasterization uses the standard sample locations as documented in Multisampling. If set to *VK\_TRUE*, the implementation uses the documented sample locations. If set to *VK\_FALSE*, the implementation may use different sample locations.
- *optimalBufferCopyOffsetAlignment* is the optimal buffer offset alignment in bytes for **vkCmdCopyBufferToImage** and **vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer**. The per texel alignment requirements are still enforced, this is just an additional alignment recommendation for optimal performance and power.
- *optimalBufferCopyRowPitchAlignment* is the optimal buffer row pitch alignment in bytes for **vkCmdCopyBufferToImage** and **vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer**. Row pitch is the number of bytes between texels with the same X coordinate in adjacent rows (Y coordinates differ by one). The per texel alignment requirements are still enforced, this is just an additional alignment recommendation for optimal performance and power.
- *nonCoherentAtomSize* is the size and alignment in bytes that bounds concurrent access to host-mapped device memory.

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For all bitmasks of type *VkSampleCountFlags* above, possible values include:

```
typedef enum VkSampleCountFlagBits {
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_2_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_4_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_8_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_16_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_32_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_64_BIT = 0x00000040,
} VkSampleCountFlagBits;
```

The sample count limits defined above represent the minimum supported sample counts for each image type. Individual images may support additional sample counts, which are queried using *vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties* as described in Supported Sample Counts.

## 5.64.4 Description

## 5.64.5 See Also

*VkBool32*, *VkDeviceSize*, *VkPhysicalDeviceProperties*, *VkSampleCountFlags*

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#### **5.64.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDeviceLimits>

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## 5.65 VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties(3)

### 5.65.1 Name

VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties - Structure specifying physical device memory properties

### 5.65.2 C Specification

The `VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties {
    uint32_t      memoryTypeCount;
    VkMemoryType  memoryTypes[VK_MAX_MEMORY_TYPES];
    uint32_t      memoryHeapCount;
    VkMemoryHeap  memoryHeaps[VK_MAX_MEMORY_HEAPS];
} VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties;
```

### 5.65.3 Members

- *memoryTypeCount* is the number of valid elements in the *pMemoryRanges* array.
- *memoryTypes* is an array of `VkMemoryType` structures describing the *memory types* that can be used to access memory allocated from the heaps specified by *memoryHeaps*.
- *memoryHeapCount* is the number of valid elements in the *pMemoryRanges* array.
- *memoryHeaps* is an array of `VkMemoryHeap` structures describing the *memory heaps* from which memory can be allocated.

### 5.65.4 Description

The `VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties` structure describes a number of *memory heaps* as well as a number of *memory types* that can be used to access memory allocated in those heaps. Each heap describes a memory resource of a particular size, and each memory type describes a set of memory properties (e.g. host cached vs uncached) that can be used with a given memory heap. Allocations using a particular memory type will consume resources from the heap indicated by that memory type's heap index. More than one memory type may share each heap, and the heaps and memory types provide a mechanism to advertise an accurate size of the physical memory resources while allowing the memory to be used with a variety of different properties.

The number of memory heaps is given by *memoryHeapCount* and is less than or equal to `VK_MAX_MEMORY_HEAPS`. Each heap is described by an element of the *memoryHeaps* array, as a `VkMemoryHeap` structure. The number of memory types available across all memory heaps is given by *memoryTypeCount* and is less than or equal to `VK_MAX_MEMORY_TYPES`. Each memory type is described by an element of the *memoryTypes* array, as a `VkMemoryType` structure.

At least one heap must include `VK_MEMORY_HEAP_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT` in `VkMemoryHeap::flags`. If there are multiple heaps that all have similar performance characteristics, they may all include `VK_MEMORY_HEAP_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT`. In a unified memory architecture (UMA) system, there is often only a single memory heap which is considered to be equally “local” to the host and to the device, and such an implementation must advertise the heap as device-local.

Each memory type returned by `vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties` must have its *propertyFlags* set to one of the following values:

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- 0

- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_CACHED_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_CACHED_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_CACHED_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_CACHED_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT`
- `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT | VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_LAZILY_ALLOCATED_BIT`

There must be at least one memory type with both the `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT` and `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT` bits set in its *propertyFlags*. There must be at least one memory type with the `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT` bit set in its *propertyFlags*.

The memory types are sorted according to a preorder which serves to aid in easily selecting an appropriate memory type. Given two memory types *X* and *Y*, the preorder defines  $X \leq Y$  if:

- the memory property bits set for *X* are a strict subset of the memory property bits set for *Y*. Or,
- the memory property bits set for *X* are the same as the memory property bits set for *Y*, and *X* uses a memory heap with greater or equal performance (as determined in an implementation-specific manner).

Memory types are ordered in the list such that *X* is assigned a lesser *memoryTypeIndex* than *Y* if  $X \leq Y \wedge \neg(Y \leq X)$  according to the preorder. Note that the list of all allowed memory property flag combinations above satisfies this preorder, but other orders would as well. The goal of this ordering is to enable applications to use a simple search loop in selecting the proper memory type, along the lines of:

```
// Find a memory type in "memoryTypeBits" that includes all of "properties"
int32_t FindProperties(uint32_t memoryTypeBits, VkMemoryPropertyFlags properties)
{
    for (int32_t i = 0; i < memoryTypeCount; ++i)
    {
        if ((memoryTypeBits & (1 << i)) &&
            ((memoryTypes[i].propertyFlags & properties) == properties))
            return i;
    }
    return -1;
}

// Try to find an optimal memory type, or if it does not exist
// find any compatible memory type
VkMemoryRequirements memoryRequirements;
vkGetImageMemoryRequirements(device, image, &memoryRequirements);
int32_t memoryType = FindProperties(memoryRequirements.memoryTypeBits, ←
    optimalProperties);
if (memoryType == -1)
    memoryType = FindProperties(memoryRequirements.memoryTypeBits, requiredProperties) ←
    ;
```

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The loop will find the first supported memory type that has all bits requested in **properties** set. If there is no exact match, it will find a closest match (i.e. a memory type with the fewest additional bits set), which has some additional bits set but which are not detrimental to the behaviors requested by **properties**. The application can first search for the optimal properties, e.g. a memory type that is device-local or supports coherent cached accesses, as appropriate for the intended usage, and if such a memory type is not present can fallback to searching for a less optimal but guaranteed set of properties such as "0" or "host-visible and coherent".

#### 5.65.5 See Also

`VkMemoryHeap`, `VkMemoryType`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties`

#### 5.65.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDeviceMemoryProperties>

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## 5.66 VkPhysicalDeviceProperties(3)

### 5.66.1 Name

VkPhysicalDeviceProperties - Structure specifying physical device properties

### 5.66.2 C Specification

The VkPhysicalDeviceProperties structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPhysicalDeviceProperties {
    uint32_t          apiVersion;
    uint32_t          driverVersion;
    uint32_t          vendorID;
    uint32_t          deviceID;
    VkPhysicalDeviceType deviceType;
    char              deviceName[VK_MAX_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_NAME_SIZE];
    uint8_t           pipelineCacheUUID[VK_UUID_SIZE];
    VkPhysicalDeviceLimits limits;
    VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties sparseProperties;
} VkPhysicalDeviceProperties;
```

### 5.66.3 Members

- *apiVersion* is the version of Vulkan supported by the device, encoded as described in the API Version Numbers and Semantics section.
- *driverVersion* is the vendor-specified version of the driver.
- *vendorID* is a unique identifier for the *vendor* (see below) of the physical device.
- *deviceID* is a unique identifier for the physical device among devices available from the vendor.
- *deviceType* is a *VkPhysicalDeviceType* specifying the type of device.
- *deviceName* is a null-terminated UTF-8 string containing the name of the device.
- *pipelineCacheUUID* is an array of size *VK\_UUID\_SIZE*, containing 8-bit values that represent a universally unique identifier for the device.
- *limits* is the *VkPhysicalDeviceLimits* structure which specifies device-specific limits of the physical device. See Limits for details.
- *sparseProperties* is the *VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties* structure which specifies various sparse related properties of the physical device. See Sparse Properties for details.

### 5.66.4 Description

The *vendorID* and *deviceID* fields are provided to allow applications to adapt to device characteristics that are not adequately exposed by other Vulkan queries. These may include performance profiles, hardware errata, or other characteristics. In PCI-based implementations, the low sixteen bits of *vendorID* and *deviceID* must contain (respectively) the PCI vendor and device IDs associated with the hardware device, and the remaining bits must be set to zero. In non-PCI implementations, the choice of what values to return may be dictated by operating system or platform policies. It is otherwise at the discretion of the implementer, subject to the following constraints and guidelines:

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- For purposes of physical device identification, the *vendor* of a physical device is the entity responsible for the most salient characteristics of the hardware represented by the physical device handle. In the case of a discrete GPU, this should be the GPU chipset vendor. In the case of a GPU or other accelerator integrated into a system-on-chip (SoC), this should be the supplier of the silicon IP used to create the GPU or other accelerator.
- If the vendor of the physical device has a valid PCI vendor ID issued by **PCI-SIG**, that ID should be used to construct *vendorID* as described above for PCI-based implementations. Implementations that do not return a PCI vendor ID in *vendorID* must return a valid Khronos vendor ID, obtained as described in the Vulkan Documentation and Extensions document in the section “Registering a Vendor ID with Khronos”. Khronos vendor IDs are allocated starting at 0x10000, to distinguish them from the PCI vendor ID namespace.
- The vendor of the physical device is responsible for selecting *deviceID*. The value selected should uniquely identify both the device version and any major configuration options (for example, core count in the case of multicore devices). The same device ID should be used for all physical implementations of that device version and configuration. For example, all uses of a specific silicon IP GPU version and configuration should use the same device ID, even if those uses occur in different SoCs.

#### 5.66.5 See Also

VkPhysicalDeviceLimits, VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties, VkPhysicalDeviceType, vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties

#### 5.66.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDeviceProperties>

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## 5.67 VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties(3)

### 5.67.1 Name

VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties - Structure specifying physical device sparse memory properties

### 5.67.2 C Specification

The `VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties {
    VkBool32    residencyStandard2DBlockShape;
    VkBool32    residencyStandard2DMultisampleBlockShape;
    VkBool32    residencyStandard3DBlockShape;
    VkBool32    residencyAlignedMipSize;
    VkBool32    residencyNonResidentStrict;
} VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties;
```

### 5.67.3 Members

- *residencyStandard2DBlockShape* is `VK_TRUE` if the physical device will access all single-sample 2D sparse resources using the standard sparse image block shapes (based on image format), as described in the Standard Sparse Image Block Shapes (Single Sample) table. If this property is not supported the value returned in the *imageGranularity* member of the `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structure for single-sample 2D images is not required to match the standard sparse image block dimensions listed in the table.
  - *residencyStandard2DMultisampleBlockShape* is `VK_TRUE` if the physical device will access all multisample 2D sparse resources using the standard sparse image block shapes (based on image format), as described in the Standard Sparse Image Block Shapes (MSAA) table. If this property is not supported, the value returned in the *imageGranularity* member of the `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structure for multisample 2D images is not required to match the standard sparse image block dimensions listed in the table.
  - *residencyStandard3DBlockShape* is `VK_TRUE` if the physical device will access all 3D sparse resources using the standard sparse image block shapes (based on image format), as described in the Standard Sparse Image Block Shapes (Single Sample) table. If this property is not supported, the value returned in the *imageGranularity* member of the `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structure for 3D images is not required to match the standard sparse image block dimensions listed in the table.
  - *residencyAlignedMipSize* is `VK_TRUE` if images with mip level dimensions that are not integer multiples of the corresponding dimensions of the sparse image block may be placed in the mip tail. If this property is not reported, only mip levels with dimensions smaller than the *imageGranularity* member of the `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structure will be placed in the mip tail. If this property is reported the implementation is allowed to return `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_ALIGNED_MIP_SIZE_BIT` in the *flags* member of `VkSparseImageFormatProperties`, indicating that mip level dimensions that are not integer multiples of the corresponding dimensions of the sparse image block will be placed in the mip tail.
  - *residencyNonResidentStrict* specifies whether the physical device can consistently access non-resident regions of a resource. If this property is `VK_TRUE`, access to non-resident regions of resources will be guaranteed to return values as if the resource were populated with 0; writes to non-resident regions will be discarded.
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**5.67.4 Description****5.67.5 See Also**

VkBool32, VkPhysicalDeviceProperties

**5.67.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties>

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## 5.68 VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo(3)

### 5.68.1 Name

VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline cache

### 5.68.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags flags;
    size_t             initialDataSize;
    const void*        pInitialData;
} VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo;
```

### 5.68.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *initialDataSize* is the number of bytes in *pInitialData*. If *initialDataSize* is zero, the pipeline cache will initially be empty.
- *pInitialData* is a pointer to previously retrieved pipeline cache data. If the pipeline cache data is incompatible (as defined below) with the device, the pipeline cache will be initially empty. If *initialDataSize* is zero, *pInitialData* is ignored.

### 5.68.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_CACHE\_CREATE\_INFO
  - *pNext* must be NULL
  - *flags* must be 0
  - If *initialDataSize* is not 0, *pInitialData* must be a pointer to an array of *initialDataSize* bytes
  - If *initialDataSize* is not 0, it must be equal to the size of *pInitialData*, as returned by **vkGetPipelineCacheData** when *pInitialData* was originally retrieved
  - If *initialDataSize* is not 0, *pInitialData* must have been retrieved from a previous call to **vkGetPipelineCacheData**
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**5.68.5 See Also**

VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags, VkStructureType, vkCreatePipelineCache

**5.68.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo>

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## 5.69 VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState(3)

### 5.69.1 Name

VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState - Structure specifying a pipeline color blend attachment state

### 5.69.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState {
    VkBool32          blendEnable;
    VkBlendFactor      srcColorBlendFactor;
    VkBlendFactor      dstColorBlendFactor;
    VkBlendOp          colorBlendOp;
    VkBlendFactor      srcAlphaBlendFactor;
    VkBlendFactor      dstAlphaBlendFactor;
    VkBlendOp          alphaBlendOp;
    VkColorComponentFlags colorWriteMask;
} VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState;
```

### 5.69.3 Members

- *blendEnable* controls whether blending is enabled for the corresponding color attachment. If blending is not enabled, the source fragment's color for that attachment is passed through unmodified.
- *srcColorBlendFactor* selects which blend factor is used to determine the source factors  $S_r, S_g, S_b$ .
- *dstColorBlendFactor* selects which blend factor is used to determine the destination factors  $D_r, D_g, D_b$ .
- *colorBlendOp* selects which blend operation is used to calculate the RGB values to write to the color attachment.
- *srcAlphaBlendFactor* selects which blend factor is used to determine the source factor  $S_a$ .
- *dstAlphaBlendFactor* selects which blend factor is used to determine the destination factor  $D_a$ .
- *alphaBlendOp* selects which blend operation is use to calculate the alpha values to write to the color attachment.
- *colorWriteMask* is a bitmask selecting which of the R, G, B, and/or A components are enabled for writing, as described later in this chapter.

### 5.69.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *srcColorBlendFactor* must be a valid VkBlendFactor value
  - *dstColorBlendFactor* must be a valid VkBlendFactor value
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- *colorBlendOp* must be a valid `VkBlendOp` value
- *srcAlphaBlendFactor* must be a valid `VkBlendFactor` value
- *dstAlphaBlendFactor* must be a valid `VkBlendFactor` value
- *alphaBlendOp* must be a valid `VkBlendOp` value
- *colorWriteMask* must be a valid combination of `VkColorComponentFlagBits` values
- If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, *srcColorBlendFactor* must not be `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA`, or `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA`
- If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, *dstColorBlendFactor* must not be `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA`, or `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA`
- If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, *srcAlphaBlendFactor* must not be `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA`, or `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA`
- If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, *dstAlphaBlendFactor* must not be `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR`, `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA`, or `VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA`

### 5.69.5 See Also

`VkBlendFactor`, `VkBlendOp`, `VkBool32`, `VkColorComponentFlags`,  
`VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo`

### 5.69.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState>

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## 5.70 VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.70.1 Name

VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline color blend state

### 5.70.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags flags;
    VkBool32                  logicOpEnable;
    VkLogicOp                  logicOp;
    uint32_t                   attachmentCount;
    const VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState* pAttachments;
    float                      blendConstants[4];
} VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.70.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *logicOpEnable* controls whether to apply Logical Operations.
- *logicOp* selects which logical operation to apply.
- *attachmentCount* is the number of `VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState` elements in *pAttachments*. This value must equal the *colorAttachmentCount* for the subpass in which this pipeline is used.
- *pAttachments*: is a pointer to array of per target attachment states.
- *blendConstants* is an array of four values used as the R, G, B, and A components of the blend constant that are used in blending, depending on the blend factor.

### 5.70.4 Description

Each element of the *pAttachments* array is a `VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState` structure specifying per-target blending state for each individual color attachment. If the independent blending feature is not enabled on the device, all `VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState` elements in the *pAttachments* array must be identical.

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| <b>Valid Usage</b> |
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- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_COLOR_BLEND_STATE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be `0`
- If *attachmentCount* is not `0`, *pAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *attachmentCount* valid `VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState` structures
- If the independent blending feature is not enabled, all elements of *pAttachments* must be identical
- If the logic operations feature is not enabled, *logicOpEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If *logicOpEnable* is `VK_TRUE`, *logicOp* must be a valid `VkLogicOp` value

#### 5.70.5 See Also

`VkBool32`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkLogicOp`,  
`VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState`, `VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags`,  
`VkStructureType`

#### 5.70.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.71 VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.71.1 Name

VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline depth stencil state

### 5.71.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags flags;
    VkBool32           depthTestEnable;
    VkBool32           depthWriteEnable;
    VkCompareOp        depthCompareOp;
    VkBool32           depthBoundsTestEnable;
    VkBool32           stencilTestEnable;
    VkStencilOpState    front;
    VkStencilOpState    back;
    float               minDepthBounds;
    float               maxDepthBounds;
} VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.71.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *depthTestEnable* controls whether depth testing is enabled.
- *depthWriteEnable* controls whether depth writes are enabled.
- *depthCompareOp* is the comparison operator used in the depth test.
- *depthBoundsTestEnable* controls whether depth bounds testing is enabled.
- *stencilTestEnable* controls whether stencil testing is enabled.
- *front* and *back* control the parameters of the stencil test.
- *minDepthBounds* and *maxDepthBounds* define the range of values used in the depth bounds test.

### 5.71.4 Description

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**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_DEPTH_STENCIL_STATE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be `0`
- *depthCompareOp* must be a valid `VkCompareOp` value
- *front* must be a valid `VkStencilOpState` structure
- *back* must be a valid `VkStencilOpState` structure
- If the depth bounds testing feature is not enabled, *depthBoundsTestEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`

**5.71.5 See Also**

`VkBool32`, `VkCompareOp`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`,  
`VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags`, `VkStencilOpState`, `VkStructureType`

**5.71.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.72 VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.72.1 Name

VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline dynamic state

### 5.72.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType          sType;
    const void*              pNext;
    VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t                 dynamicStateCount;
    const VkDynamicState*     pDynamicStates;
} VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.72.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *dynamicStateCount* is the number of elements in the *pDynamicStates* array.
- *pDynamicStates* is an array of `VkDynamicState` enums which indicate which pieces of pipeline state will use the values from dynamic state commands rather than from the pipeline state creation info.

### 5.72.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_DYNAMIC_STATE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- *pDynamicStates* must be a pointer to an array of *dynamicStateCount* valid `VkDynamicState` values
- *dynamicStateCount* must be greater than 0

### 5.72.5 See Also

`VkDynamicState`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags`, `VkStructureType`

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### 5.72.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.73 VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.73.1 Name

VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline input assembly state

### 5.73.2 C Specification

Each draw is made up of zero or more vertices and zero or more instances, which are processed by the device and result in the assembly of primitives. Primitives are assembled according to the *pInputAssemblyState* member of the *VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo* structure, which is of type *VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo*:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags flags;
    VkPrimitiveTopology        topology;
    VkBool32                  primitiveRestartEnable;
} VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.73.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *topology* is a *VkPrimitiveTopology* defining the primitive topology, as described below.
- *primitiveRestartEnable* controls whether a special vertex index value is treated as restarting the assembly of primitives. This enable only applies to indexed draws (*vkCmdDrawIndexed* and *vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect*), and the special index value is either 0xFFFFFFFF when the *indexType* parameter of **vkCmdBindIndexBuffer** is equal to *VK\_INDEX\_TYPE\_UINT32*, or 0xFFFF when *indexType* is equal to *VK\_INDEX\_TYPE\_UINT16*. Primitive restart is not allowed for “list” topologies.

### 5.73.4 Description

Restarting the assembly of primitives discards the most recent index values if those elements formed an incomplete primitive, and restarts the primitive assembly using the subsequent indices, but only assembling the immediately following element through the end of the originally specified elements. The primitive restart index value comparison is performed before adding the *vertexOffset* value to the index value.

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be *VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_INPUT\_ASSEMBLY\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO*
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- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- *topology* must be a valid `VkPrimitiveTopology` value
- If *topology* is `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_POINT_LIST`, `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_LIST`, `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_LIST`, `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_LIST_WITH_ADJACENCY`, `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_LIST_WITH_ADJACENCY` or `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_PATCH_LIST`, *primitiveRestartEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *topology* must not be any of `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_LIST_WITH_ADJACENCY`, `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_STRIP_WITH_ADJACENCY`, `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_LIST_WITH_ADJACENCY` or `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_STRIP_WITH_ADJACENCY`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *topology* must not be `VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_PATCH_LIST`

### 5.73.5 See Also

`VkBool32`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags`, `VkPrimitiveTopology`, `VkStructureType`

### 5.73.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.74 VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo(3)

### 5.74.1 Name

VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo - Structure specifying the parameters of a newly created pipeline layout object

### 5.74.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo {  
    VkStructureType           sType;  
    const void*               pNext;  
    VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags flags;  
    uint32_t                  setLayoutCount;  
    const VkDescriptorSetLayout* pSetLayouts;  
    uint32_t                  pushConstantRangeCount;  
    const VkPushConstantRange* pPushConstantRanges;  
} VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo;
```

### 5.74.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *setLayoutCount* is the number of descriptor sets included in the pipeline layout.
- *pSetLayouts* is a pointer to an array of *VkDescriptorSetLayout* objects.
- *pushConstantRangeCount* is the number of push constant ranges included in the pipeline layout.
- *pPushConstantRanges* is a pointer to an array of *VkPushConstantRange* structures defining a set of push constant ranges for use in a single pipeline layout. In addition to descriptor set layouts, a pipeline layout also describes how many push constants can be accessed by each stage of the pipeline.



#### Note

Push constants represent a high speed path to modify constant data in pipelines that is expected to outperform memory-backed resource updates.

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### 5.74.4 Description

**Valid Usage**

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- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_LAYOUT_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be 0
- If *setLayoutCount* is not 0, *pSetLayouts* must be a pointer to an array of *setLayoutCount* valid `VkDescriptorSetLayout` handles
- If *pushConstantRangeCount* is not 0, *pPushConstantRanges* must be a pointer to an array of *pushConstantRangeCount* valid `VkPushConstantRange` structures
- *setLayoutCount* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxBoundDescriptorSets`
- The total number of descriptors of the type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER` and `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER` accessible to any given shader stage across all elements of *pSetLayouts* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPerStageDescriptorSamplers`
- The total number of descriptors of the type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` and `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` accessible to any given shader stage across all elements of *pSetLayouts* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPerStageDescriptorUniformBuffers`
- The total number of descriptors of the type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` and `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC` accessible to any given shader stage across all elements of *pSetLayouts* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPerStageDescriptorStorageBuffers`
- The total number of descriptors of the type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, and `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER` accessible to any given shader stage across all elements of *pSetLayouts* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPerStageDescriptorSampledImages`
- The total number of descriptors of the type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, and `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER` accessible to any given shader stage across all elements of *pSetLayouts* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPerStageDescriptorStorageImages`

#### 5.74.5 See Also

`VkDescriptorSetLayout`, `VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags`, `VkPushConstantRange`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreatePipelineLayout`

#### 5.74.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo>

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## 5.75 VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.75.1 Name

VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline multisample state

### 5.75.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags flags;
    VkSampleCountFlagBits     rasterizationSamples;
    VkBool32                  sampleShadingEnable;
    float                     minSampleShading;
    const VkSampleMask*       pSampleMask;
    VkBool32                  alphaToCoverageEnable;
    VkBool32                  alphaToOneEnable;
} VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.75.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *rasterizationSamples* is a *VkSampleCountFlagBits* specifying the number of samples per pixel used in rasterization.
- *sampleShadingEnable* specifies that fragment shading executes per-sample if *VK\_TRUE*, or per-fragment if *VK\_FALSE*, as described in Sample Shading.
- *minSampleShading* is the minimum fraction of sample shading, as described in Sample Shading.
- *pSampleMask* is a bitmask of static coverage information that is ANDed with the coverage information generated during rasterization, as described in Sample Mask.
- *alphaToCoverageEnable* controls whether a temporary coverage value is generated based on the alpha component of the fragment's first color output as specified in the Multisample Coverage section.
- *alphaToOneEnable* controls whether the alpha component of the fragment's first color output is replaced with one as described in Multisample Coverage.

### 5.75.4 Description

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**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_MULTISAMPLE_STATE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be `0`
- *rasterizationSamples* must be a valid `VkSampleCountFlagBits` value
- If *pSampleMask* is not `NULL`, *pSampleMask* must be a pointer to an array of  $\lceil \frac{\text{rasterizationSamples}}{32} \rceil$  `VkSampleMask` values
- If the sample rate shading feature is not enabled, *sampleShadingEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If the alpha to one feature is not enabled, *alphaToOneEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- *minSampleShading* must be in the range `[0, 1]`

**5.75.5 See Also**

`VkBool32`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags`, `VkSampleCountFlagBits`, `VkSampleMask`, `VkStructureType`

**5.75.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.76 VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.76.1 Name

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline rasterization state

### 5.76.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags flags;
    VkBool32                  depthClampEnable;
    VkBool32                  rasterizerDiscardEnable;
    VkPolygonMode              polygonMode;
    VkCullModeFlags            cullMode;
    VkFrontFace                frontFace;
    VkBool32                  depthBiasEnable;
    float                     depthBiasConstantFactor;
    float                     depthBiasClamp;
    float                     depthBiasSlopeFactor;
    float                     lineWidth;
} VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.76.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
  - *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
  - *flags* is reserved for future use.
  - *depthClampEnable* controls whether to clamp the fragment's depth values instead of clipping primitives to the z planes of the frustum, as described in Primitive Clipping.
  - *rasterizerDiscardEnable* controls whether primitives are discarded immediately before the rasterization stage.
  - *polygonMode* is the triangle rendering mode. See VkPolygonMode.
  - *cullMode* is the triangle facing direction used for primitive culling. See VkCullModeFlagBits.
  - *frontFace* is the front-facing triangle orientation to be used for culling. See VkFrontFace.
  - *depthBiasEnable* controls whether to bias fragment depth values.
  - *depthBiasConstantFactor* is a scalar factor controlling the constant depth value added to each fragment.
  - *depthBiasClamp* is the maximum (or minimum) depth bias of a fragment.
  - *depthBiasSlopeFactor* is a scalar factor applied to a fragment's slope in depth bias calculations.
  - *lineWidth* is the width of rasterized line segments.
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#### 5.76.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_RASTERIZATION_STATE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`, or a pointer to a valid instance of `VkPipelineRasterizationStateRasterizationOrderAMD`
- *flags* must be 0
- *polygonMode* must be a valid `VkPolygonMode` value
- *cullMode* must be a valid combination of `VkCullModeFlagBits` values
- *frontFace* must be a valid `VkFrontFace` value
- If the depth clamping feature is not enabled, *depthClampEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If the non-solid fill modes feature is not enabled, *polygonMode* must be `VK_POLYGON_MODE_FILL`

#### 5.76.5 See Also

`VkBool32`, `VkCullModeFlags`, `VkFrontFace`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags`, `VkPolygonMode`, `VkStructureType`

#### 5.76.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.77 VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo(3)

### 5.77.1 Name

VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline shader stage

### 5.77.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType          sType;
    const void*              pNext;
    VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags flags;
    VkShaderStageFlagBits    stage;
    VkShaderModule            module;
    const char*              pName;
    const VkSpecializationInfo* pSpecializationInfo;
} VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo;
```

### 5.77.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *stage* names a single pipeline stage. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkShaderStageFlagBits {
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_VERTEX_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_FRAGMENT_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_COMPUTE_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS = 0x0000001F,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL = 0x7FFFFFFF,
} VkShaderStageFlagBits;
```

- *module* is a VkShaderModule object that contains the shader for this stage.
- *pName* is a pointer to a null-terminated UTF-8 string specifying the entry point name of the shader for this stage.
- *pSpecializationInfo* is a pointer to VkSpecializationInfo, as described in Specialization Constants, and can be NULL.

### 5.77.4 Description

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### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_SHADER_STAGE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be 0
- *stage* must be a valid `VkShaderStageFlagBits` value
- *module* must be a valid `VkShaderModule` handle
- *pName* must be a null-terminated string
- If *pSpecializationInfo* is not `NULL`, *pSpecializationInfo* must be a pointer to a valid `VkSpecializationInfo` structure
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *stage* must not be `VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *stage* must not be `VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_BIT` or `VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_BIT`
- *stage* must not be `VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS`, or `VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL`
- *pName* must be the name of an **OpEntryPoint** in *module* with an execution model that matches *stage*
- If the identified entry point includes any variable in its interface that is declared with the **ClipDistance BuiltIn** decoration, that variable must not have an array size greater than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxClipDistances`
- If the identified entry point includes any variable in its interface that is declared with the **CullDistance BuiltIn** decoration, that variable must not have an array size greater than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxCullDistances`
- If the identified entry point includes any variables in its interface that are declared with the **ClipDistance** or **CullDistance BuiltIn** decoration, those variables must not have array sizes which sum to more than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxCombinedClipAndCullDistances`
- If the identified entry point includes any variable in its interface that is declared with the **SampleMask BuiltIn** decoration, that variable must not have an array size greater than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxSampleMaskWords`
- If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_VERTEX_BIT`, the identified entry point must not include any input variable in its interface that is decorated with **CullDistance**
- If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_BIT` or `VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_BIT`, and the identified entry point has an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies a patch size with **OutputVertices**, the patch size must be greater than 0 and less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxTessellationPatchSize`
- If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT`, the identified entry point must have an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies a maximum output vertex count that is greater than 0 and less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxGeometryOutputVertices`
- If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT`, the identified entry point must have an **OpExecutionMode** instruction that specifies an invocation count that is greater than 0 and less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxGeometryShaderInvocations`

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- If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT`, and the identified entry point writes to **Layer** for any primitive, it must write the same value to **Layer** for all vertices of a given primitive
  - If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT`, and the identified entry point writes to **ViewportIndex** for any primitive, it must write the same value to **ViewportIndex** for all vertices of a given primitive
  - If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_FRAGMENT_BIT`, the identified entry point must not include any output variables in its interface decorated with **CullDistance**
  - If *stage* is `VK_SHADER_STAGE_FRAGMENT_BIT`, and the identified entry point writes to **FragDepth** in any execution path, it must write to **FragDepth** in all execution paths

#### 5.77.5 See Also

`VkComputePipelineCreateInfo`, `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`,  
`VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags`, `VkShaderModule`, `VkShaderStageFlagBits`,  
`VkSpecializationInfo`, `VkStructureType`

#### 5.77.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo>

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## 5.78 VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.78.1 Name

VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline tessellation state

### 5.78.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t           patchControlPoints;
} VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.78.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *patchControlPoints* number of control points per patch.

### 5.78.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_TESSELLATION\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- *patchControlPoints* must be greater than zero and less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxTessellationPatchSize`

### 5.78.5 See Also

VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags, VkStructureType

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#### **5.78.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.79 VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.79.1 Name

VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline vertex input state

### 5.79.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t                  vertexBindingDescriptionCount;
    const VkVertexInputBindingDescription* pVertexBindingDescriptions;
    uint32_t                  vertexAttributeDescriptionCount;
    const VkVertexInputAttributeDescription* pVertexAttributeDescriptions;
} VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.79.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *vertexBindingDescriptionCount* is the number of vertex binding descriptions provided in *pVertexBindingDescriptions*.
- *pVertexBindingDescriptions* is a pointer to an array of *VkVertexInputBindingDescription* structures.
- *vertexAttributeDescriptionCount* is the number of vertex attribute descriptions provided in *pVertexAttributeDescriptions*.
- *pVertexAttributeDescriptions* is a pointer to an array of *VkVertexInputAttributeDescription* structures.

### 5.79.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_VERTEX_INPUT_STATE_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0

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- If *vertexBindingDescriptionCount* is not 0, *pVertexBindingDescriptions* must be a pointer to an array of *vertexBindingDescriptionCount* valid `VkVertexInputBindingDescription` structures
  - If *vertexAttributeDescriptionCount* is not 0, *pVertexAttributeDescriptions* must be a pointer to an array of *vertexAttributeDescriptionCount* valid `VkVertexInputAttributeDescription` structures
  - *vertexBindingDescriptionCount* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindings`
  - *vertexAttributeDescriptionCount* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputAttributes`
  - For every *binding* specified by any given element of *pVertexAttributeDescriptions*, a `VkVertexInputBindingDescription` must exist in *pVertexBindingDescriptions* with the same value of *binding*
  - All elements of *pVertexBindingDescriptions* must describe distinct binding numbers
  - All elements of *pVertexAttributeDescriptions* must describe distinct attribute locations

#### 5.79.5 See Also

`VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags`,  
`VkStructureType`, `VkVertexInputAttributeDescription`, `VkVertexInputBindingDescription`

#### 5.79.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.80 VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo(3)

### 5.80.1 Name

VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created pipeline viewport state

### 5.80.2 C Specification

The VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags flags;
    uint32_t           viewportCount;
    const VkViewport*   pViewports;
    uint32_t           scissorCount;
    const VkRect2D*     pScissors;
} VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo;
```

### 5.80.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *viewportCount* is the number of viewports used by the pipeline.
- *pViewports* is a pointer to an array of VkViewport structures, defining the viewport transforms. If the viewport state is dynamic, this member is ignored.
- *scissorCount* is the number of scissors and must match the number of viewports.
- *pScissors* is a pointer to an array of VkRect2D structures which define the rectangular bounds of the scissor for the corresponding viewport. If the scissor state is dynamic, this member is ignored.

### 5.80.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_VIEWPORT\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0
- *viewportCount* must be greater than 0

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- *scissorCount* must be greater than 0
  - If the multiple viewports feature is not enabled, *viewportCount* must be 1
  - If the multiple viewports feature is not enabled, *scissorCount* must be 1
  - *viewportCount* must be between 1 and `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports`, inclusive
  - *scissorCount* must be between 1 and `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports`, inclusive
  - *scissorCount* and *viewportCount* must be identical

#### 5.80.5 See Also

`VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags`, `VkRect2D`, `VkStructureType`, `VkViewport`

#### 5.80.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo>

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## 5.81 VkPushConstantRange(3)

### 5.81.1 Name

VkPushConstantRange - Structure specifying a push constant range

### 5.81.2 C Specification

The `VkPushConstantRange` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkPushConstantRange {  
    VkShaderStageFlags    stageFlags;  
    uint32_t              offset;  
    uint32_t              size;  
} VkPushConstantRange;
```

### 5.81.3 Members

- *stageFlags* is a set of stage flags describing the shader stages that will access a range of push constants. If a particular stage is not included in the range, then accessing members of that range of push constants from the corresponding shader stage will result in undefined data being read.
- *offset* and *size* are the start offset and size, respectively, consumed by the range. Both *offset* and *size* are in units of bytes and must be a multiple of 4. The layout of the push constant variables is specified in the shader.

### 5.81.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *stageFlags* must be a valid combination of `VkShaderStageFlagBits` values
- *stageFlags* must not be 0
- *offset* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPushConstantsSize`
- *size* must be greater than 0
- *size* must be a multiple of 4
- *size* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPushConstantsSize` minus *offset*

### 5.81.5 See Also

`VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo`, `VkShaderStageFlags`

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#### **5.81.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPushConstantRange>

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## 5.82 VkQueryPoolCreateInfo(3)

### 5.82.1 Name

VkQueryPoolCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created query pool

### 5.82.2 C Specification

The VkQueryPoolCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkQueryPoolCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkQueryPoolCreateFlags flags;
    VkQueryType        queryType;
    uint32_t           queryCount;
    VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags pipelineStatistics;
} VkQueryPoolCreateInfo;
```

### 5.82.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *queryType* is the type of queries managed by the pool, and must be one of the values

```
typedef enum VkQueryType {
    VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION = 0,
    VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS = 1,
    VK_QUERY_TYPE_TIMESTAMP = 2,
} VkQueryType;
```

- *queryCount* is the number of queries managed by the pool.
- *pipelineStatistics* is a bitmask indicating which counters will be returned in queries on the new pool, as described below in [?]. *pipelineStatistics* is ignored if *queryType* is not VK\_QUERY\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_STATISTICS.

### 5.82.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_QUERY\_POOL\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL

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- *flags* must be 0
  - *queryType* must be a valid `VkQueryType` value
  - If the pipeline statistics queries feature is not enabled, *queryType* must not be `VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS`
  - If *queryType* is `VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS`, *pipelineStatistics* must be a valid combination of `VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits` values

#### 5.82.5 See Also

`VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags`, `VkQueryPoolCreateFlags`, `VkQueryType`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateQueryPool`

#### 5.82.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryPoolCreateInfo>

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## 5.83 VkQueueFamilyProperties(3)

### 5.83.1 Name

VkQueueFamilyProperties - Structure providing information about a queue family

### 5.83.2 C Specification

The `VkQueueFamilyProperties` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkQueueFamilyProperties {
    VkQueueFlags    queueFlags;
    uint32_t        queueCount;
    uint32_t        timestampValidBits;
    VkExtent3D      minImageTransferGranularity;
} VkQueueFamilyProperties;
```

### 5.83.3 Members

- *queueFlags* contains flags indicating the capabilities of the queues in this queue family.
- *queueCount* is the unsigned integer count of queues in this queue family.
- *timestampValidBits* is the unsigned integer count of meaningful bits in the timestamps written via **vkCmdWriteTimestamp**. The valid range for the count is 36..64 bits, or a value of 0, indicating no support for timestamps. Bits outside the valid range are guaranteed to be zeros.
- *minImageTransferGranularity* is the minimum granularity supported for image transfer operations on the queues in this queue family.

### 5.83.4 Description

The bits specified in *queueFlags* are:

```
typedef enum VkQueueFlagBits {
    VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_QUEUE_TRANSFER_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_QUEUE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT = 0x00000008,
} VkQueueFlagBits;
```

- if `VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT` is set, then the queues in this queue family support graphics operations.
- if `VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT` is set, then the queues in this queue family support compute operations.
- if `VK_QUEUE_TRANSFER_BIT` is set, then the queues in this queue family support transfer operations.
- if `VK_QUEUE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` is set, then the queues in this queue family support sparse memory management operations (see Sparse Resources). If any of the sparse resource features are enabled, then at least one queue family must support this bit.

If an implementation exposes any queue family that supports graphics operations, at least one queue family of at least one physical device exposed by the implementation must support both graphics and compute operations.

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**Note**

All commands that are allowed on a queue that supports transfer operations are also allowed on a queue that supports either graphics or compute operations thus if the capabilities of a queue family include `VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT` or `VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT` then reporting the `VK_QUEUE_TRANSFER_BIT` capability separately for that queue family is optional.

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For further details see Queues.

The value returned in *minImageTransferGranularity* has a unit of compressed texel blocks for images having a block-compressed format, and a unit of texels otherwise.

Possible values of *minImageTransferGranularity* are:

- (0,0,0) which indicates that only whole mip levels must be transferred using the image transfer operations on the corresponding queues. In this case, the following restrictions apply to all offset and extent parameters of image transfer operations:
  - The *x*, *y*, and *z* members of a `VkOffset3D` parameter must always be zero.
  - The *width*, *height*, and *depth* members of a `VkExtent3D` parameter must always match the width, height, and depth of the image subresource corresponding to the parameter, respectively.
- (*Ax*,*Ay*,*Az*) where *Ax*, *Ay*, and *Az* are all integer powers of two. In this case the following restrictions apply to all image transfer operations:
  - *x*, *y*, and *z* of a `VkOffset3D` parameter must be integer multiples of *Ax*, *Ay*, and *Az*, respectively.
  - *width* of a `VkExtent3D` parameter must be an integer multiple of *Ax*, or else (*x* + *width*) must equal the width of the image subresource corresponding to the parameter.
  - *height* of a `VkExtent3D` parameter must be an integer multiple of *Ay*, or else (*y* + *height*) must equal the height of the image subresource corresponding to the parameter.
  - *depth* of a `VkExtent3D` parameter must be an integer multiple of *Az*, or else (*z* + *depth*) must equal the depth of the image subresource corresponding to the parameter.
  - If the format of the image corresponding to the parameters is one of the block-compressed formats then for the purposes of the above calculations the granularity must be scaled up by the compressed texel block dimensions.

Queues supporting graphics and/or compute operations must report (1,1,1) in *minImageTransferGranularity*, meaning that there are no additional restrictions on the granularity of image transfer operations for these queues. Other queues supporting image transfer operations are only required to support whole mip level transfers, thus *minImageTransferGranularity* for queues belonging to such queue families may be (0,0,0).

### 5.83.5 See Also

`VkExtent3D`, `VkQueueFlags`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties`

### 5.83.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueueFamilyProperties>

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## 5.84 VkRect2D(3)

### 5.84.1 Name

VkRect2D - Structure specifying a two-dimensional subregion

### 5.84.2 C Specification

Rectangles are used to describe a specified rectangular region of pixels within an image or framebuffer. Rectangles include both an offset and an extent of the same dimensionality, as described above. Two-dimensional rectangles are defined by the structure

```
typedef struct VkRect2D {  
    VkOffset2D    offset;  
    VkExtent2D    extent;  
} VkRect2D;
```

### 5.84.3 Members

### 5.84.4 Description

### 5.84.5 See Also

VkClearRect, VkExtent2D, VkOffset2D, VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo, VkRenderPassBeginInfo, vkCmdSetScissor

### 5.84.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkRect2D>

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## 5.85 VkRenderPassBeginInfo(3)

### 5.85.1 Name

VkRenderPassBeginInfo - Structure specifying render pass begin info

### 5.85.2 C Specification

The VkRenderPassBeginInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkRenderPassBeginInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkRenderPass        renderPass;
    VkFramebuffer       framebuffer;
    VkRect2D            renderArea;
    uint32_t            clearValueCount;
    const VkClearColor* pClearValues;
} VkRenderPassBeginInfo;
```

### 5.85.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *renderPass* is the render pass to begin an instance of.
- *framebuffer* is the framebuffer containing the attachments that are used with the render pass.
- *renderArea* is the render area that is affected by the render pass instance, and is described in more detail below.
- *clearValueCount* is the number of elements in *pClearValues*.
- *pClearValues* is an array of *VkClearColor* structures that contains clear values for each attachment, if the attachment uses a *loadOp* value of *VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR* or if the attachment has a depth/stencil format and uses a *stencilLoadOp* value of *VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR*. The array is indexed by attachment number. Only elements corresponding to cleared attachments are used. Other elements of *pClearValues* are ignored.

### 5.85.4 Description

*renderArea* is the render area that is affected by the render pass instance. The effects of attachment load, store and resolve operations are restricted to the pixels whose x and y coordinates fall within the render area on all attachments. The render area extends to all layers of *framebuffer*. The application must ensure (using scissor if necessary) that all rendering is contained within the render area, otherwise the pixels outside of the render area become undefined and shader side effects may occur for fragments outside the render area. The render area must be contained within the framebuffer dimensions.



#### Note

There may be a performance cost for using a render area smaller than the framebuffer, unless it matches the render area granularity for the render pass.

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**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_RENDER_PASS_BEGIN_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *renderPass* must be a valid `VkRenderPass` handle
- *framebuffer* must be a valid `VkFramebuffer` handle
- If *clearValueCount* is not 0, *pClearValues* must be a pointer to an array of *clearValueCount* valid `VkClearColor` unions
- Both of *framebuffer*, and *renderPass* must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
- *clearValueCount* must be greater than the largest attachment index in *renderPass* that specifies a *loadOp* (or *stencilLoadOp*, if the attachment has a depth/stencil format) of `VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_CLEAR`

**5.85.5 See Also**

`VkClearColor`, `VkFramebuffer`, `VkRect2D`, `VkRenderPass`, `VkStructureType`,  
`vkCmdBeginRenderPass`

**5.85.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkRenderPassBeginInfo>

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## 5.86 VkRenderPassCreateInfo(3)

### 5.86.1 Name

VkRenderPassCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created render pass

### 5.86.2 C Specification

The VkRenderPassCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkRenderPassCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType           sType;
    const void*               pNext;
    VkRenderPassCreateFlags    flags;
    uint32_t                  attachmentCount;
    const VkAttachmentDescription* pAttachments;
    uint32_t                  subpassCount;
    const VkSubpassDescription* pSubpasses;
    uint32_t                  dependencyCount;
    const VkSubpassDependency* pDependencies;
} VkRenderPassCreateInfo;
```

### 5.86.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *attachmentCount* is the number of attachments used by this render pass, or zero indicating no attachments. Attachments are referred to by zero-based indices in the range  $[0, attachmentCount)$ .
- *pAttachments* points to an array of *attachmentCount* number of *VkAttachmentDescription* structures describing properties of the attachments, or NULL if *attachmentCount* is zero.
- *subpassCount* is the number of subpasses to create for this render pass. Subpasses are referred to by zero-based indices in the range  $[0, subpassCount)$ . A render pass must have at least one subpass.
- *pSubpasses* points to an array of *subpassCount* number of *VkSubpassDescription* structures describing properties of the subpasses.
- *dependencyCount* is the number of dependencies between pairs of subpasses, or zero indicating no dependencies.
- *pDependencies* points to an array of *dependencyCount* number of *VkSubpassDependency* structures describing dependencies between pairs of subpasses, or NULL if *dependencyCount* is zero.

### 5.86.4 Description

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**Valid Usage**

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_RENDER_PASS_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be 0
- If *attachmentCount* is not 0, *pAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *attachmentCount* valid `VkAttachmentDescription` structures
- *pSubpasses* must be a pointer to an array of *subpassCount* valid `VkSubpassDescription` structures
- If *dependencyCount* is not 0, *pDependencies* must be a pointer to an array of *dependencyCount* valid `VkSubpassDependency` structures
- *subpassCount* must be greater than 0
- If any two subpasses operate on attachments with overlapping ranges of the same `VkDeviceMemory` object, and at least one subpass writes to that area of `VkDeviceMemory`, a subpass dependency must be included (either directly or via some intermediate subpasses) between them
- If the *attachment* member of any element of *pInputAttachments*, *pColorAttachments*, *pResolveAttachments* or *pDepthStencilAttachment*, or the attachment indexed by any element of *pPreserveAttachments* in any given element of *pSubpasses* is bound to a range of a `VkDeviceMemory` object that overlaps with any other attachment in any subpass (including the same subpass), the `VkAttachmentDescription` structures describing them must include `VK_ATTACHMENT_DESCRIPTION_MAY_ALIAS_BIT` in *flags*
- If the *attachment* member of any element of *pInputAttachments*, *pColorAttachments*, *pResolveAttachments* or *pDepthStencilAttachment*, or any element of *pPreserveAttachments* in any given element of *pSubpasses* is not `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED`, it must be less than *attachmentCount*
- The value of any element of the *pPreserveAttachments* member in any given element of *pSubpasses* must not be `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED`

**5.86.5 See Also**

`VkAttachmentDescription`, `VkRenderPassCreateFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `VkSubpassDependency`, `VkSubpassDescription`, `vkCreateRenderPass`

**5.86.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkRenderPassCreateInfo>

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## 5.87 VkSamplerCreateInfo(3)

### 5.87.1 Name

VkSamplerCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created sampler

### 5.87.2 C Specification

The VkSamplerCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSamplerCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkSamplerCreateFlags flags;
    VkFilter            magFilter;
    VkFilter            minFilter;
    VkSamplerMipmapMode mipmapMode;
    VkSamplerAddressMode addressModeU;
    VkSamplerAddressMode addressModeV;
    VkSamplerAddressMode addressModeW;
    float              mipLodBias;
    VkBool32           anisotropyEnable;
    float              maxAnisotropy;
    VkBool32           compareEnable;
    VkCompareOp        compareOp;
    float              minLod;
    float              maxLod;
    VkBorderColor       borderColor;
    VkBool32           unnormalizedCoordinates;
} VkSamplerCreateInfo;
```

### 5.87.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *magFilter* is the magnification filter to apply to lookups, and is of type:

```
typedef enum VkFilter {
    VK_FILTER_NEAREST = 0,
    VK_FILTER_LINEAR = 1,
    VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG = 1000015000,
} VkFilter;
```

- *minFilter* is the minification filter to apply to lookups, and is of type *VkFilter*.
- *mipmapMode* is the mipmap filter to apply to lookups as described in the Texel Filtering section, and is of type:

```
typedef enum VkSamplerMipmapMode {
    VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_NEAREST = 0,
    VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_LINEAR = 1,
} VkSamplerMipmapMode;
```

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- *addressModeU* is the addressing mode for outside [0..1] range for U coordinate. See *VkSamplerAddressMode*.
- *addressModeV* is the addressing mode for outside [0..1] range for V coordinate. See *VkSamplerAddressMode*.
- *addressModeW* is the addressing mode for outside [0..1] range for W coordinate. See *VkSamplerAddressMode*.
- *mipLodBias* is the bias to be added to mipmap LOD calculation and bias provided by image sampling functions in SPIR-V, as described in the Level-of-Detail Operation section.
- *anisotropyEnable* is *VK\_TRUE* to enable anisotropic filtering, as described in the Texel Anisotropic Filtering section, or *VK\_FALSE* otherwise.
- *maxAnisotropy* is the anisotropy value clamp.
- *compareEnable* is *VK\_TRUE* to enable comparison against a reference value during lookups, or *VK\_FALSE* otherwise.
  - Note: Some implementations will default to shader state if this member does not match.
- *compareOp* is the comparison function to apply to fetched data before filtering as described in the Depth Compare Operation section. See *VkCompareOp*.
- *minLod* and *maxLod* are the values used to clamp the computed level-of-detail value, as described in the Level-of-Detail Operation section. *maxLod* must be greater than or equal to *minLod*.
- *borderColor* is the predefined border color to use, as described in the Texel Replacement section, and is of type:

```
typedef enum VkBorderColor {
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_FLOAT_TRANSPARENT_BLACK = 0,
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_INT_TRANSPARENT_BLACK = 1,
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_FLOAT_OPAQUE_BLACK = 2,
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_INT_OPAQUE_BLACK = 3,
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_FLOAT_OPAQUE_WHITE = 4,
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_INT_OPAQUE_WHITE = 5,
} VkBorderColor;
```

- *unnormalizedCoordinates* controls whether to use unnormalized or normalized texel coordinates to address texels of the image. When set to *VK\_TRUE*, the range of the image coordinates used to lookup the texel is in the range of zero to the image dimensions for x, y and z. When set to *VK\_FALSE* the range of image coordinates is zero to one. When *unnormalizedCoordinates* is *VK\_TRUE*, samplers have the following requirements:
  - *minFilter* and *magFilter* must be equal.
  - *mipmapMode* must be *VK\_SAMPLER\_MIPMAP\_MODE\_NEAREST*.
  - *minLod* and *maxLod* must be zero.
  - *addressModeU* and *addressModeV* must each be either *VK\_SAMPLER\_ADDRESS\_MODE\_CLAMP\_TO\_EDGE* or *VK\_SAMPLER\_ADDRESS\_MODE\_CLAMP\_TO\_BORDER*.
  - *anisotropyEnable* must be *VK\_FALSE*.
  - *compareEnable* must be *VK\_FALSE*.
- When *unnormalizedCoordinates* is *VK\_TRUE*, images the sampler is used with in the shader have the following requirements:
  - The *viewType* must be either *VK\_IMAGE\_VIEW\_TYPE\_1D* or *VK\_IMAGE\_VIEW\_TYPE\_2D*.
  - The image view must have a single layer and a single mip level.

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- When *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, image built-in functions in the shader that use the sampler have the following requirements:

- The functions must not use projection.
- The functions must not use offsets.

#### 5.87.4 Description

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##### Mapping of OpenGL to Vulkan filter modes

*magFilter* values of `VK_FILTER_NEAREST` and `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` directly correspond to **GL\_NEAREST** and **GL\_LINEAR** magnification filters. *minFilter* and *mipmapMode* combine to correspond to the similarly named OpenGL minification filter of **GL\_minFilter\_MIPMAP\_mipmapMode** (e.g. *minFilter* of `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` and *mipmapMode* of `VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_NEAREST` correspond to **GL\_LINEAR\_MIPMAP\_NEAREST**).



There are no Vulkan filter modes that directly correspond to OpenGL minification filters of **GL\_LINEAR** or **GL\_NEAREST**, but they can be emulated using `VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_NEAREST`, *minLod* = 0, and *maxLod* = 0.25, and using *minFilter* = `VK_FILTER_LINEAR` or *minFilter* = `VK_FILTER_NEAREST`, respectively.

Note that using a *maxLod* of zero would cause magnification to always be performed, and the *magFilter* to always be used. This is valid, just not an exact match for OpenGL behavior. Clamping the maximum LOD to 0.25 allows the  $\lambda$  value to be non-zero and minification to be performed, while still always rounding down to the base level. If the *minFilter* and *magFilter* are equal, then using a *maxLod* of zero also works.

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*addressModeU*, *addressModeV*, and *addressModeW* must each have one of the following values:

```
typedef enum VkSamplerAddressMode {
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_REPEAT = 0,
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRRORED_REPEAT = 1,
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_EDGE = 2,
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_BORDER = 3,
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRROR_CLAMP_TO_EDGE = 4,
} VkSamplerAddressMode;
```

These values control the behavior of sampling with coordinates outside the range  $[0, 1]$  for the respective u, v, or w coordinate as defined in the Wrapping Operation section.

- `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_REPEAT` indicates that the repeat wrap mode will be used.
- `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRRORED_REPEAT` indicates that the mirrored repeat wrap mode will be used.
- `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_EDGE` indicates that the clamp to edge wrap mode will be used.
- `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_BORDER` indicates that the clamp to border wrap mode will be used.
- `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRROR_CLAMP_TO_EDGE` indicates that the mirror clamp to edge wrap mode will be used. This is only valid if the `VK_KHR_mirror_clamp_to_edge` extension is enabled.

The maximum number of sampler objects which can be simultaneously created on a device is implementation-dependent and specified by the *maxSamplerAllocationCount* member of the `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits` structure. If *maxSamplerAllocationCount* is exceeded, **vkCreateSampler** will return `VK_ERROR_TOO_MANY_OBJECTS`.

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Since `VkSampler` is a non-dispatchable handle type, implementations may return the same handle for sampler state vectors that are identical. In such cases, all such objects would only count once against the `maxSamplerAllocationCount` limit.

### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SAMPLER_CREATE_INFO`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *flags* must be 0
- *magFilter* must be a valid `VkFilter` value
- *minFilter* must be a valid `VkFilter` value
- *mipmapMode* must be a valid `VkSamplerMipmapMode` value
- *addressModeU* must be a valid `VkSamplerAddressMode` value
- *addressModeV* must be a valid `VkSamplerAddressMode` value
- *addressModeW* must be a valid `VkSamplerAddressMode` value
- The absolute value of *mipLodBias* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxSamplerLodBias`
- If the anisotropic sampling feature is not enabled, *anisotropyEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If *anisotropyEnable* is `VK_TRUE`, *maxAnisotropy* must be between 1.0 and `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxSamplerAnisotropy`, inclusive
- If *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, *minFilter* and *magFilter* must be equal
- If *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, *mipmapMode* must be `VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_NEAREST`
- If *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, *minLod* and *maxLod* must be zero
- If *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, *addressModeU* and *addressModeV* must each be either `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_EDGE` or `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_BORDER`
- If *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, *anisotropyEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If *unnormalizedCoordinates* is `VK_TRUE`, *compareEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`
- If any of *addressModeU*, *addressModeV* or *addressModeW* are `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_BORDER`, *borderColor* must be a valid `VkBorderColor` value
- If the `VK_KHR_sampler_mirror_clamp_to_edge` extension is not enabled, *addressModeU*, *addressModeV* and *addressModeW* must not be `VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRROR_CLAMP_TO_EDGE`
- If *compareEnable* is `VK_TRUE`, *compareOp* must be a valid `VkCompareOp` value
- If either *magFilter* or *minFilter* is `VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG`, *anisotropyEnable* must be `VK_FALSE`

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#### 5.87.5 See Also

VkBool32, VkBorderColor, VkCompareOp, VkFilter, VkSamplerAddressMode, VkSamplerCreateFlags, VkSamplerMipmapMode, VkStructureType, vkCreateSampler

#### 5.87.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSamplerCreateInfo>

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## 5.88 VkSemaphoreCreateInfo(3)

### 5.88.1 Name

VkSemaphoreCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created semaphore

### 5.88.2 C Specification

The VkSemaphoreCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSemaphoreCreateInfo {  
    VkStructureType      sType;  
    const void*          pNext;  
    VkSemaphoreCreateFlags flags;  
} VkSemaphoreCreateInfo;
```

### 5.88.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.

### 5.88.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_SEMAPHORE\_CREATE\_INFO
- *pNext* must be NULL
- *flags* must be 0

### 5.88.5 See Also

VkSemaphoreCreateFlags, VkStructureType, vkCreateSemaphore

### 5.88.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSemaphoreCreateInfo>

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## 5.89 VkShaderModuleCreateInfo(3)

### 5.89.1 Name

VkShaderModuleCreateInfo - Structure specifying parameters of a newly created shader module

### 5.89.2 C Specification

The VkShaderModuleCreateInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkShaderModuleCreateInfo {
    VkStructureType      sType;
    const void*          pNext;
    VkShaderModuleCreateFlags flags;
    size_t               codeSize;
    const uint32_t*       pCode;
} VkShaderModuleCreateInfo;
```

### 5.89.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *codeSize* is the size, in bytes, of the code pointed to by *pCode*.
- *pCode* points to code that is used to create the shader module. The type and format of the code is determined from the content of the memory addressed by *pCode*.

### 5.89.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_SHADER\_MODULE\_CREATE\_INFO
  - *pNext* must be NULL
  - *flags* must be 0
  - *pCode* must be a pointer to an array of  $\frac{codeSize}{4}$  uint32\_t values
  - *codeSize* must be greater than 0
  - *codeSize* must be a multiple of 4. If the VK\_NV\_glsl\_shader extension is enabled and *pCode* references GLSL code *codeSize* can be a multiple of 1
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- *pCode* must point to valid SPIR-V code, formatted and packed as described by the Khronos SPIR-V Specification. If the `VK_NV_glsl_shader` extension is enabled *pCode* can instead reference valid GLSL code and must be written to the `GL_KHR_vulkan_glsl` extension specification
- *pCode* must adhere to the validation rules described by the Validation Rules within a Module section of the SPIR-V Environment appendix. If the `VK_NV_glsl_shader` extension is enabled *pCode* can be valid GLSL code with respect to the `GL_KHR_vulkan_glsl` GLSL extension specification
- *pCode* must declare the **Shader** capability for SPIR-V code
- *pCode* must not declare any capability that is not supported by the API, as described by the Capabilities section of the SPIR-V Environment appendix
- If *pCode* declares any of the capabilities that are listed as not required by the implementation, the relevant feature must be enabled, as listed in the SPIR-V Environment appendix

#### 5.89.5 See Also

`VkShaderModuleCreateFlags`, `VkStructureType`, `vkCreateShaderModule`

#### 5.89.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkShaderModuleCreateInfo>

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## 5.90 VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo(3)

### 5.90.1 Name

VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo - Structure specifying a sparse buffer memory bind operation

### 5.90.2 C Specification

Memory is bound to VkBuffer objects created with the VK\_BUFFER\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_BINDING\_BIT flag using the following structure:

```
typedef struct VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo {
    VkBuffer          buffer;
    uint32_t          bindCount;
    const VkSparseMemoryBind* pBinds;
} VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo;
```

### 5.90.3 Members

- *buffer* is the VkBuffer object to be bound.
- *bindCount* is the number of VkSparseMemoryBind structures in the *pBinds* array.
- *pBinds* is a pointer to array of VkSparseMemoryBind structures.

### 5.90.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *buffer* must be a valid VkBuffer handle
- *pBinds* must be a pointer to an array of *bindCount* valid VkSparseMemoryBind structures
- *bindCount* must be greater than 0

### 5.90.5 See Also

VkBindSparseInfo, VkBuffer, VkSparseMemoryBind

### 5.90.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo>

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## 5.91 VkSparseImageFormatProperties(3)

### 5.91.1 Name

VkSparseImageFormatProperties - Structure specifying sparse image format properties

### 5.91.2 C Specification

The `VkSparseImageFormatProperties` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSparseImageFormatProperties {
    VkImageAspectFlags    aspectMask;
    VkExtent3D            imageGranularity;
    VkSparseImageFormatFlags flags;
} VkSparseImageFormatProperties;
```

### 5.91.3 Members

- *aspectMask* is a bitmask of `VkImageAspectFlagBits` specifying which aspects of the image the properties apply to.
- *imageGranularity* is the width, height, and depth of the sparse image block in texels or compressed texel blocks.
- *flags* is a bitmask specifying additional information about the sparse resource. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits {
    VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_ALIGNED_MIP_SIZE_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_NONSTANDARD_BLOCK_SIZE_BIT = 0x00000004,
} VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits;
```

- If `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT` is set, the image uses a single mip tail region for all array layers.
- If `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_ALIGNED_MIP_SIZE_BIT` is set, the first mip level whose dimensions are not integer multiples of the corresponding dimensions of the sparse image block begins the mip tail region.
- If `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_NONSTANDARD_BLOCK_SIZE_BIT` is set, the image uses non-standard sparse image block dimensions, and the *imageGranularity* values do not match the standard sparse image block dimensions for the given pixel format.

### 5.91.4 Description

### 5.91.5 See Also

`VkExtent3D`, `VkImageAspectFlags`, `VkSparseImageFormatFlags`,  
`VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties`

### 5.91.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageFormatProperties>

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## 5.92 VkSparseImageMemoryBind(3)

### 5.92.1 Name

VkSparseImageMemoryBind - Structure specifying sparse image memory bind

### 5.92.2 C Specification

The VkSparseImageMemoryBind structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSparseImageMemoryBind {
    VkImageSubresource      subresource;
    VkOffset3D              offset;
    VkExtent3D              extent;
    VkDeviceMemory          memory;
    VkDeviceSize            memoryOffset;
    VkSparseMemoryBindFlags flags;
} VkSparseImageMemoryBind;
```

### 5.92.3 Members

- *subresource* is the aspectMask and region of interest in the image.
- *offset* are the coordinates of the first texel within the image subresource to bind.
- *extent* is the size in texels of the region within the image subresource to bind. The extent must be a multiple of the sparse image block dimensions, except when binding sparse image blocks along the edge of an image subresource it can instead be such that any coordinate of *offset* + *extent* equals the corresponding dimensions of the image subresource.
- *memory* is the VkDeviceMemory object that the sparse image blocks of the image are bound to. If *memory* is VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, the sparse image blocks are unbound.
- *memoryOffset* is an offset into VkDeviceMemory object. If *memory* is VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, this value is ignored.
- *flags* are sparse memory binding flags.

### 5.92.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *subresource* must be a valid VkImageSubresource structure
  - If *memory* is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, *memory* must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle
  - *flags* must be a valid combination of VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits values
  - If the sparse aliased residency feature is not enabled, and if any other resources are bound to ranges of *memory*, the range of *memory* being bound must not overlap with those bound ranges
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- *memory* and *memoryOffset* must match the memory requirements of the calling command's *image*, as described in section [?]
- *subresource* must be a valid image subresource for *image* (see [?])
- *offset.x* must be a multiple of the sparse image block width (`VkSparseImageFormatProperties::imageGranularity.width`) of the image
- *extent.width* must either be a multiple of the sparse image block width of the image, or else *extent.width* + *offset.x* must equal the width of the image subresource
- *offset.y* must be a multiple of the sparse image block height (`VkSparseImageFormatProperties::imageGranularity.height`) of the image
- *extent.height* must either be a multiple of the sparse image block height of the image, or else *extent.height* + *offset.y* must equal the height of the image subresource
- *offset.z* must be a multiple of the sparse image block depth (`VkSparseImageFormatProperties::imageGranularity.depth`) of the image
- *extent.depth* must either be a multiple of the sparse image block depth of the image, or else *extent.depth* + *offset.z* must equal the depth of the image subresource

#### 5.92.5 See Also

VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize, VkExtent3D, VkImageSubresource, VkOffset3D, VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo, VkSparseMemoryBindFlags

#### 5.92.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageMemoryBind>

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## 5.93 VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo(3)

### 5.93.1 Name

VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo - Structure specifying sparse image memory bind info

### 5.93.2 C Specification

Memory can be bound to sparse image blocks of `VkImage` objects created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` flag using the following structure:

```
typedef struct VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo {
    VkImage          image;
    uint32_t         bindCount;
    const VkSparseImageMemoryBind* pBinds;
} VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo;
```

### 5.93.3 Members

- *image* is the `VkImage` object to be bound
- *bindCount* is the number of `VkSparseImageMemoryBind` structures in *pBinds* array
- *pBinds* is a pointer to array of `VkSparseImageMemoryBind` structures

### 5.93.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *pBinds* must be a pointer to an array of *bindCount* valid `VkSparseImageMemoryBind` structures
- *bindCount* must be greater than 0

### 5.93.5 See Also

`VkBindSparseInfo`, `VkImage`, `VkSparseImageMemoryBind`

### 5.93.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo>

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## 5.94 VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements(3)

### 5.94.1 Name

VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements - Structure specifying sparse image memory requirements

### 5.94.2 C Specification

The `VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements` structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements {
    VkSparseImageFormatProperties    formatProperties;
    uint32_t                        imageMipTailFirstLod;
    VkDeviceSize                    imageMipTailSize;
    VkDeviceSize                    imageMipTailOffset;
    VkDeviceSize                    imageMipTailStride;
} VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements;
```

### 5.94.3 Members

- *formatProperties.aspectMask* is the set of aspects of the image that this sparse memory requirement applies to. This will usually have a single aspect specified. However, depth/stencil images may have depth and stencil data interleaved in the same sparse block, in which case both `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` and `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT` would be present.
- *formatProperties.imageGranularity* describes the dimensions of a single bindable sparse image block in pixel units. For aspect `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_METADATA_BIT`, all dimensions will be zero pixels. All metadata is located in the mip tail region.
- *formatProperties.flags* is a bitmask of `VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits`:
  - If `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT` is set the image uses a single mip tail region for all array layers.
  - If `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_ALIGNED_MIP_SIZE_BIT` is set the dimensions of mip levels must be integer multiples of the corresponding dimensions of the sparse image block for levels not located in the mip tail.
  - If `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_NONSTANDARD_BLOCK_SIZE_BIT` is set the image uses non-standard sparse image block dimensions. The *formatProperties.imageGranularity* values do not match the standard sparse image block dimension corresponding to the image's pixel format.
- *imageMipTailFirstLod* is the first mip level at which image subresources are included in the mip tail region.
- *imageMipTailSize* is the memory size (in bytes) of the mip tail region. If *formatProperties.flags* contains `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT`, this is the size of the whole mip tail, otherwise this is the size of the mip tail of a single array layer. This value is guaranteed to be a multiple of the sparse block size in bytes.
- *imageMipTailOffset* is the opaque memory offset used with `VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo` to bind the mip tail region(s).
- *imageMipTailStride* is the offset stride between each array-layer's mip tail, if *formatProperties.flags* does not contain `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT` (otherwise the value is undefined).

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#### **5.94.4 Description**

#### **5.94.5 See Also**

VkDeviceSize, VkSparseImageFormatProperties, vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements

#### **5.94.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements>

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## 5.95 VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo(3)

### 5.95.1 Name

VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo - Structure specifying sparse image opaque memory bind info

### 5.95.2 C Specification

Memory is bound to opaque regions of `VkImage` objects created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` flag using the following structure:

```
typedef struct VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo {
    VkImage          image;
    uint32_t         bindCount;
    const VkSparseMemoryBind* pBinds;
} VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo;
```

### 5.95.3 Members

- *image* is the `VkImage` object to be bound.
- *bindCount* is the number of `VkSparseMemoryBind` structures in the *pBinds* array.
- *pBinds* is a pointer to array of `VkSparseMemoryBind` structures.

### 5.95.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *image* must be a valid `VkImage` handle
- *pBinds* must be a pointer to an array of *bindCount* valid `VkSparseMemoryBind` structures
- *bindCount* must be greater than 0
- For any given element of *pBinds*, if the *flags* member of that element contains `VK_SPARSE_MEMORY_BIND_METADATA_BIT`, the binding range defined must be within the mip tail region of the metadata aspect of *image*

### 5.95.5 See Also

`VkBindSparseInfo`, `VkImage`, `VkSparseMemoryBind`

### 5.95.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo>

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## 5.96 VkSparseMemoryBind(3)

### 5.96.1 Name

VkSparseMemoryBind - Structure specifying a sparse memory bind operation

### 5.96.2 C Specification

The VkSparseMemoryBind structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSparseMemoryBind {
    VkDeviceSize    resourceOffset;
    VkDeviceSize    size;
    VkDeviceMemory  memory;
    VkDeviceSize    memoryOffset;
    VkSparseMemoryBindFlags flags;
} VkSparseMemoryBind;
```

### 5.96.3 Members

- *resourceOffset* is the offset into the resource.
- *size* is the size of the memory region to be bound.
- *memory* is the VkDeviceMemory object that the range of the resource is bound to. If *memory* is VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, the range is unbound.
- *memoryOffset* is the offset into the VkDeviceMemory object to bind the resource range to. If *memory* is VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, this value is ignored.
- *flags* is a bitmask specifying usage of the binding operation. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits {
    VK_SPARSE_MEMORY_BIND_METADATA_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits;
```

- VK\_SPARSE\_MEMORY\_BIND\_METADATA\_BIT indicates that the memory being bound is only for the metadata aspect.

### 5.96.4 Description

The *binding range* [*resourceOffset*, *resourceOffset* + *size*) has different constraints based on *flags*. If *flags* contains VK\_SPARSE\_MEMORY\_BIND\_METADATA\_BIT, the binding range must be within the mip tail region of the metadata aspect. This metadata region is defined by:

$$\text{metadataRegion} = [\text{imageMipTailOffset} + \text{imageMipTailStride} \times n, \\ \text{imageMipTailOffset} + \text{imageMipTailStride} \times n + \text{imageMipTailSize})$$

Where *imageMipTailOffset*, *imageMipTailSize*, and *imageMipTailStride* values are from the VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements that correspond to the metadata aspect of the image. The term *n* is a valid array layer index for the image.

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*imageMipTailStride* is considered to be zero for aspects where

*VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements::formatProperties.flags* contains `VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT`.

If *flags* does not contain `VK_SPARSE_MEMORY_BIND_METADATA_BIT`, the binding range must be within the range `[0, VkMemoryRequirements::size)`.

#### Valid Usage

- If *memory* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *memory* must be a valid `VkDeviceMemory` handle
- *flags* must be a valid combination of `VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits` values
- If *memory* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *memory* and *memoryOffset* must match the memory requirements of the resource, as described in section [?]
- If *memory* is not `VK_NULL_HANDLE`, *memory* must not have been created with a memory type that reports `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_LAZILY_ALLOCATED_BIT` bit set
- *size* must be greater than 0
- *resourceOffset* must be less than the size of the resource
- *size* must be less than or equal to the size of the resource minus *resourceOffset*
- *memoryOffset* must be less than the size of *memory*
- *size* must be less than or equal to the size of *memory* minus *memoryOffset*

#### 5.96.5 See Also

`VkDeviceMemory`, `VkDeviceSize`, `VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo`,  
`VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo`, `VkSparseMemoryBindFlags`

#### 5.96.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseMemoryBind>

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## 5.97 VkSpecializationInfo(3)

### 5.97.1 Name

VkSpecializationInfo - Structure specifying specialization info

### 5.97.2 C Specification

The VkSpecializationInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSpecializationInfo {  
    uint32_t          mapEntryCount;  
    const VkSpecializationMapEntry* pMapEntries;  
    size_t            dataSize;  
    const void*        pData;  
} VkSpecializationInfo;
```

### 5.97.3 Members

- *mapEntryCount* is the number of entries in the *pMapEntries* array.
- *pMapEntries* is a pointer to an array of *VkSpecializationMapEntry* which maps constant IDs to offsets in *pData*.
- *dataSize* is the byte size of the *pData* buffer.
- *pData* contains the actual constant values to specialize with.

### 5.97.4 Description

*pMapEntries* points to a structure of type *VkSpecializationMapEntry*.

#### Valid Usage

- If *mapEntryCount* is not 0, *pMapEntries* must be a pointer to an array of *mapEntryCount* valid *VkSpecializationMapEntry* structures
- If *dataSize* is not 0, *pData* must be a pointer to an array of *dataSize* bytes
- The *offset* member of any given element of *pMapEntries* must be less than *dataSize*
- For any given element of *pMapEntries*, *size* must be less than or equal to *dataSize* minus *offset*

### 5.97.5 See Also

VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo, *VkSpecializationMapEntry*

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**5.97.6 Document Notes**

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<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSpecializationInfo>

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## 5.98 VkSpecializationMapEntry(3)

### 5.98.1 Name

VkSpecializationMapEntry - Structure specifying a specialization map entry

### 5.98.2 C Specification

The VkSpecializationMapEntry structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSpecializationMapEntry {
    uint32_t    constantID;
    uint32_t    offset;
    size_t      size;
} VkSpecializationMapEntry;
```

### 5.98.3 Members

- *constantID* is the ID of the specialization constant in SPIR-V.
- *offset* is the byte offset of the specialization constant value within the supplied data buffer.
- *size* is the byte size of the specialization constant value within the supplied data buffer.

### 5.98.4 Description

If a *constantID* value is not a specialization constant ID used in the shader, that map entry does not affect the behavior of the pipeline.

#### Valid Usage

- For a *constantID* specialization constant declared in a shader, *size* must match the byte size of the *constantID*. If the specialization constant is of type **boolean**, *size* must be the byte size of VkBool32

### 5.98.5 See Also

VkSpecializationInfo

### 5.98.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSpecializationMapEntry>

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## 5.99 VkStencilOpState(3)

### 5.99.1 Name

VkStencilOpState - Structure specifying stencil operation state

### 5.99.2 C Specification

The VkStencilOpState structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkStencilOpState {  
    VkStencilOp    failOp;  
    VkStencilOp    passOp;  
    VkStencilOp    depthFailOp;  
    VkCompareOp    compareOp;  
    uint32_t       compareMask;  
    uint32_t       writeMask;  
    uint32_t       reference;  
} VkStencilOpState;
```

### 5.99.3 Members

- *failOp* is the action performed on samples that fail the stencil test.
- *passOp* is the action performed on samples that pass both the depth and stencil tests.
- *depthFailOp* is the action performed on samples that pass the stencil test and fail the depth test.
- *compareOp* is the comparison operator used in the stencil test.
- *compareMask* selects the bits of the unsigned integer stencil values participating in the stencil test.
- *writeMask* selects the bits of the unsigned integer stencil values updated by the stencil test in the stencil framebuffer attachment.
- *reference* is an integer reference value that is used in the unsigned stencil comparison.

### 5.99.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *failOp* must be a valid VkStencilOp value
- *passOp* must be a valid VkStencilOp value
- *depthFailOp* must be a valid VkStencilOp value
- *compareOp* must be a valid VkCompareOp value

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#### **5.99.5 See Also**

VkCompareOp, VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo, VkStencilOp

#### **5.99.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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## 5.100 VkSubmitInfo(3)

### 5.100.1 Name

VkSubmitInfo - Structure specifying a queue submit operation

### 5.100.2 C Specification

The VkSubmitInfo structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSubmitInfo {  
    VkStructureType      sType;  
    const void*          pNext;  
    uint32_t             waitSemaphoreCount;  
    const VkSemaphore*   pWaitSemaphores;  
    const VkPipelineStageFlags* pWaitDstStageMask;  
    uint32_t             commandBufferCount;  
    const VkCommandBuffer* pCommandBuffers;  
    uint32_t             signalSemaphoreCount;  
    const VkSemaphore*   pSignalSemaphores;  
} VkSubmitInfo;
```

### 5.100.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- *waitSemaphoreCount* is the number of semaphores upon which to wait before executing the command buffers for the batch.
- *pWaitSemaphores* is a pointer to an array of semaphores upon which to wait before the command buffers for this batch begin execution. If semaphores to wait on are provided, they define a semaphore wait operation.
- *pWaitDstStageMask* is a pointer to an array of pipeline stages at which each corresponding semaphore wait will occur.
- *commandBufferCount* is the number of command buffers to execute in the batch.
- *pCommandBuffers* is a pointer to an array of command buffers to execute in the batch. The command buffers submitted in a batch begin execution in the order they appear in *pCommandBuffers*, but may complete out of order.
- *signalSemaphoreCount* is the number of semaphores to be signaled once the commands specified in *pCommandBuffers* have completed execution.
- *pSignalSemaphores* is a pointer to an array of semaphores which will be signaled when the command buffers for this batch have completed execution. If semaphores to be signaled are provided, they define a semaphore signal operation.

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#### 5.100.4 Description

##### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SUBMIT_INFO`
  - *pNext* must be `NULL`
  - If *waitSemaphoreCount* is not 0, *pWaitSemaphores* must be a pointer to an array of *waitSemaphoreCount* valid `VkSemaphore` handles
  - If *waitSemaphoreCount* is not 0, *pWaitDstStageMask* must be a pointer to an array of *waitSemaphoreCount* valid combinations of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
  - Each element of *pWaitDstStageMask* must not be 0
  - If *commandBufferCount* is not 0, *pCommandBuffers* must be a pointer to an array of *commandBufferCount* valid `VkCommandBuffer` handles
  - If *signalSemaphoreCount* is not 0, *pSignalSemaphores* must be a pointer to an array of *signalSemaphoreCount* valid `VkSemaphore` handles
  - Each of the elements of *pCommandBuffers*, the elements of *pSignalSemaphores*, and the elements of *pWaitSemaphores* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same `VkDevice`
  - Any given element of *pSignalSemaphores* must currently be unsignaled
  - Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must either have been recorded with the `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT`, or not currently be executing on the device
  - Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must be in the executable state
  - If any given element of *pCommandBuffers* contains commands that execute secondary command buffers, those secondary command buffers must have been recorded with the `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT`, or not currently be executing on the device
  - If any given element of *pCommandBuffers* was recorded with `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_ONE_TIME_SUBMIT_BIT`, it must not have been previously submitted without re-recording that command buffer
  - If any given element of *pCommandBuffers* contains commands that execute secondary command buffers recorded with `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_ONE_TIME_SUBMIT_BIT`, each such secondary command buffer must not have been previously submitted without re-recording that command buffer
  - Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must not contain commands that execute a secondary command buffer, if that secondary command buffer has been recorded in another primary command buffer after it was recorded into this `VkCommandBuffer`
  - Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must have been allocated from a `VkCommandPool` that was created for the same queue family that the calling command's *queue* belongs to
  - Any given element of *pCommandBuffers* must not have been allocated with `VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_SECONDARY`
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- Any given element of `VkSemaphore` in `pWaitSemaphores` must refer to a prior signal of that `VkSemaphore` that will not be consumed by any other wait on that semaphore
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, any given element of `pWaitDstStageMask` must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, any given element of `pWaitDstStageMask` must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`

#### 5.100.5 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkPipelineStageFlags`, `VkSemaphore`, `VkStructureType`, `vkQueueSubmit`

#### 5.100.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSubmitInfo>

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## 5.101 VkSubpassDependency(3)

### 5.101.1 Name

VkSubpassDependency - Structure specifying a subpass dependency

### 5.101.2 C Specification

The VkSubpassDependency structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSubpassDependency {
    uint32_t      srcSubpass;
    uint32_t      dstSubpass;
    VkPipelineStageFlags srcStageMask;
    VkPipelineStageFlags dstStageMask;
    VkAccessFlags  srcAccessMask;
    VkAccessFlags  dstAccessMask;
    VkDependencyFlags dependencyFlags;
} VkSubpassDependency;
```

### 5.101.3 Members

- *srcSubpass* and *dstSubpass* are the subpass indices of the producer and consumer subpasses, respectively. *srcSubpass* and *dstSubpass* can also have the special value `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`. The source subpass must always be a lower numbered subpass than the destination subpass (excluding external subpasses and self-dependencies), so that the order of subpass descriptions is a valid execution ordering, avoiding cycles in the dependency graph.
- *srcStageMask*, *dstStageMask*, *srcAccessMask*, *dstAccessMask*, and *dependencyFlags* describe an execution and memory dependency between subpasses. The bits that can be included in *dependencyFlags* are:

```
typedef enum VkDependencyFlagBits {
    VK_DEPENDENCY_BY_REGION_BIT = 0x00000001,
} VkDependencyFlagBits;
```

- If *dependencyFlags* contains `VK_DEPENDENCY_BY_REGION_BIT`, then the dependency is by-region as defined in Execution And Memory Dependencies.

### 5.101.4 Description

Each subpass dependency defines an execution and memory dependency between two sets of commands, with the second set depending on the first set. When *srcSubpass* does not equal *dstSubpass* then the first set of commands is:

- All commands in the subpass indicated by *srcSubpass*, if *srcSubpass* is not `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`.
- All commands before the render pass instance, if *srcSubpass* is `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`.

While the corresponding second set of commands is:

- All commands in the subpass indicated by *dstSubpass*, if *dstSubpass* is not `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`.
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- All commands after the render pass instance, if *dstSubpass* is `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`.

When *srcSubpass* equals *dstSubpass* then the first set consists of commands in the subpass before a call to `vkCmdPipelineBarrier` and the second set consists of commands in the subpass following that same call as described in the Subpass Self-dependency section.

The *srcStageMask*, *dstStageMask*, *srcAccessMask*, *dstAccessMask*, and *dependencyFlags* parameters of the dependency are interpreted the same way as for other dependencies, as described in Synchronization and Cache Control.

### Valid Usage

- *srcStageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
- *srcStageMask* must not be 0
- *dstStageMask* must be a valid combination of `VkPipelineStageFlagBits` values
- *dstStageMask* must not be 0
- *srcAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
- *dstAccessMask* must be a valid combination of `VkAccessFlagBits` values
- *dependencyFlags* must be a valid combination of `VkDependencyFlagBits` values
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *srcStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, *dstStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *srcStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, *dstStageMask* must not contain `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT` or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`
- *srcSubpass* must be less than or equal to *dstSubpass*, unless one of them is `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`, to avoid cyclic dependencies and ensure a valid execution order
- *srcSubpass* and *dstSubpass* must not both be equal to `VK_SUBPASS_EXTERNAL`
- If *srcSubpass* is equal to *dstSubpass*, *srcStageMask* and *dstStageMask* must only contain one of `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TOP_OF_PIPE_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_DRAW_INDIRECT_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_VERTEX_INPUT_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_VERTEX_SHADER_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_FRAGMENT_SHADER_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_EARLY_FRAGMENT_TESTS_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_LATE_FRAGMENT_TESTS_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OUTPUT_BIT`, `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT`, or `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS_BIT`
- If *srcSubpass* is equal to *dstSubpass*, the highest bit value included in *srcStageMask* must be less than or equal to the lowest bit value in *dstStageMask*

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#### **5.101.5 See Also**

VkAccessFlags, VkDependencyFlags, VkPipelineStageFlags, VkRenderPassCreateInfo

#### **5.101.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSubpassDependency>

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## 5.102 VkSubpassDescription(3)

### 5.102.1 Name

VkSubpassDescription - Structure specifying a subpass description

### 5.102.2 C Specification

The VkSubpassDescription structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkSubpassDescription {
    VkSubpassDescriptionFlags    flags;
    VkPipelineBindPoint          pipelineBindPoint;
    uint32_t                     inputAttachmentCount;
    const VkAttachmentReference* pInputAttachments;
    uint32_t                     colorAttachmentCount;
    const VkAttachmentReference* pColorAttachments;
    const VkAttachmentReference* pResolveAttachments;
    const VkAttachmentReference* pDepthStencilAttachment;
    uint32_t                     preserveAttachmentCount;
    const uint32_t*               pPreserveAttachments;
} VkSubpassDescription;
```

### 5.102.3 Members

- *flags* is reserved for future use.
- *pipelineBindPoint* is a `VkPipelineBindPoint` value specifying whether this is a compute or graphics subpass. Currently, only graphics subpasses are supported.
- *inputAttachmentCount* is the number of input attachments.
- *pInputAttachments* is an array of `VkAttachmentReference` structures (defined below) that lists which of the render pass's attachments can be read in the shader during the subpass, and what layout each attachment will be in during the subpass. Each element of the array corresponds to an input attachment unit number in the shader, i.e. if the shader declares an input variable `layout(input_attachment_index=X, set=Y, binding=Z)` then it uses the attachment provided in *pInputAttachments*[X]. Input attachments must also be bound to the pipeline with a descriptor set, with the input attachment descriptor written in the location (set=Y, binding=Z).
- *colorAttachmentCount* is the number of color attachments.
- *pColorAttachments* is an array of *colorAttachmentCount* `VkAttachmentReference` structures that lists which of the render pass's attachments will be used as color attachments in the subpass, and what layout each attachment will be in during the subpass. Each element of the array corresponds to a fragment shader output location, i.e. if the shader declared an output variable `layout(location=X)` then it uses the attachment provided in *pColorAttachments*[X].
- *pResolveAttachments* is NULL or an array of *colorAttachmentCount* `VkAttachmentReference` structures that lists which of the render pass's attachments are resolved to at the end of the subpass, and what layout each attachment will be in during the resolve. If *pResolveAttachments* is not NULL, each of its elements corresponds to a color attachment (the element in *pColorAttachments* at the same index). At the end of each subpass, the subpass's color attachments are resolved to corresponding resolve attachments, unless the resolve attachment index is `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED` or *pResolveAttachments* is NULL. If the first use of an attachment in a render pass is as a resolve attachment, then the *loadOp* is effectively ignored as the resolve is guaranteed to overwrite all pixels in the render area.

- *pDepthStencilAttachment* is a pointer to a *VkAttachmentReference* specifying which attachment will be used for depth/stencil data and the layout it will be in during the subpass. Setting the attachment index to *VK\_ATTACHMENT\_UNUSED* or leaving this pointer as *NULL* indicates that no depth/stencil attachment will be used in the subpass.
- *preserveAttachmentCount* is the number of preserved attachments.
- *pPreserveAttachments* is an array of *preserveAttachmentCount* render pass attachment indices describing the attachments that are not used by a subpass, but whose contents must be preserved throughout the subpass.

#### 5.102.4 Description

The contents of an attachment within the render area become undefined at the start of a subpass S if all of the following conditions are true:

- The attachment is used as a color, depth/stencil, or resolve attachment in any subpass in the render pass.
- There is a subpass S1 that uses or preserves the attachment, and a subpass dependency from S1 to S.
- The attachment is not used or preserved in subpass S.

Once the contents of an attachment become undefined in subpass S, they remain undefined for subpasses in subpass dependency chains starting with subpass S until they are written again. However, they remain valid for subpasses in other subpass dependency chains starting with subpass S1 if those subpasses use or preserve the attachment.

#### Valid Usage

- *flags* must be 0
- *pipelineBindPoint* must be a valid *VkPipelineBindPoint* value
- If *inputAttachmentCount* is not 0, *pInputAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *inputAttachmentCount* valid *VkAttachmentReference* structures
- If *colorAttachmentCount* is not 0, *pColorAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *colorAttachmentCount* valid *VkAttachmentReference* structures
- If *colorAttachmentCount* is not 0, and *pResolveAttachments* is not *NULL*, *pResolveAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *colorAttachmentCount* valid *VkAttachmentReference* structures
- If *pDepthStencilAttachment* is not *NULL*, *pDepthStencilAttachment* must be a pointer to a valid *VkAttachmentReference* structure
- If *preserveAttachmentCount* is not 0, *pPreserveAttachments* must be a pointer to an array of *preserveAttachmentCount* *uint32\_t* values
- *pipelineBindPoint* must be *VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS*
- *colorCount* must be less than or equal to *VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxColorAttachments*
- If the first use of an attachment in this render pass is as an input attachment, and the attachment is not also used as a color or depth/stencil attachment in the same subpass, then *loadOp* must not be *VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR*



- If *pResolveAttachments* is not NULL, for each resolve attachment that does not have the value `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED`, the corresponding color attachment must not have the value `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED`
- If *pResolveAttachments* is not NULL, the sample count of each element of *pColorAttachments* must be anything other than `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- Any given element of *pResolveAttachments* must have a sample count of `VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT`
- Any given element of *pResolveAttachments* must have the same `VkFormat` as its corresponding color attachment
- All attachments in *pColorAttachments* and *pDepthStencilAttachment* that are not `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED` must have the same sample count
- If any input attachments are `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED`, then any pipelines bound during the subpass must not access those input attachments from the fragment shader
- The *attachment* member of any element of *pPreserveAttachments* must not be `VK_ATTACHMENT_UNUSED`
- Any given element of *pPreserveAttachments* must not also be an element of any other member of the subpass description
- If any attachment is used as both an input attachment and a color or depth/stencil attachment, then each use must use the same *layout*

#### 5.102.5 See Also

`VkAttachmentReference`, `VkPipelineBindPoint`, `VkRenderPassCreateInfo`, `VkSubpassDescriptionFlags`

#### 5.102.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSubpassDescription>

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## 5.103 VkSubresourceLayout(3)

### 5.103.1 Name

VkSubresourceLayout - Structure specifying subresource layout

### 5.103.2 C Specification

Information about the layout of the image subresource is returned in a `VkSubresourceLayout` structure:

```
typedef struct VkSubresourceLayout {
    VkDeviceSize    offset;
    VkDeviceSize    size;
    VkDeviceSize    rowPitch;
    VkDeviceSize    arrayPitch;
    VkDeviceSize    depthPitch;
} VkSubresourceLayout;
```

### 5.103.3 Members

- *offset* is the byte offset from the start of the image where the image subresource begins.
- *size* is the size in bytes of the image subresource. *size* includes any extra memory that is required based on *rowPitch*.
- *rowPitch* describes the number of bytes between each row of texels in an image.
- *arrayPitch* describes the number of bytes between each array layer of an image.
- *depthPitch* describes the number of bytes between each slice of 3D image.

### 5.103.4 Description

For images created with linear tiling, *rowPitch*, *arrayPitch* and *depthPitch* describe the layout of the image subresource in linear memory. For uncompressed formats, *rowPitch* is the number of bytes between texels with the same x coordinate in adjacent rows (y coordinates differ by one). *arrayPitch* is the number of bytes between texels with the same x and y coordinate in adjacent array layers of the image (array layer values differ by one). *depthPitch* is the number of bytes between texels with the same x and y coordinate in adjacent slices of a 3D image (z coordinates differ by one). Expressed as an addressing formula, the starting byte of a texel in the image subresource has address:

```
// (x,y,z,layer) are in texel coordinates
address(x,y,z,layer) = layer*arrayPitch + z*depthPitch + y*rowPitch + x*texelSize + ↵
offset
```

For compressed formats, the *rowPitch* is the number of bytes between compressed texel blocks in adjacent rows. *arrayPitch* is the number of bytes between compressed texel blocks in adjacent array layers. *depthPitch* is the number of bytes between compressed texel blocks in adjacent slices of a 3D image.

```
// (x,y,z,layer) are in compressed texel block coordinates
address(x,y,z,layer) = layer*arrayPitch + z*depthPitch + y*rowPitch + x* ↵
compressedTexelBlockSize + offset;
```

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*arrayPitch* is undefined for images that were not created as arrays. *depthPitch* is defined only for 3D images.

For color formats, the *aspectMask* member of `VkImageSubresource` must be `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT`. For depth/stencil formats, *aspectMask* must be either `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT`. On implementations that store depth and stencil aspects separately, querying each of these image subresource layouts will return a different *offset* and *size* representing the region of memory used for that aspect. On implementations that store depth and stencil aspects interleaved, the same *offset* and *size* are returned and represent the interleaved memory allocation.

#### 5.103.5 See Also

`VkDeviceSize`, `vkGetImageSubresourceLayout`

#### 5.103.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSubresourceLayout>

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## 5.104 VkVertexInputAttributeDescription(3)

### 5.104.1 Name

VkVertexInputAttributeDescription - Structure specifying vertex input attribute description

### 5.104.2 C Specification

The VkVertexInputAttributeDescription structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkVertexInputAttributeDescription {
    uint32_t    location;
    uint32_t    binding;
    VkFormat     format;
    uint32_t    offset;
} VkVertexInputAttributeDescription;
```

### 5.104.3 Members

- *location* is the shader binding location number for this attribute.
- *binding* is the binding number which this attribute takes its data from.
- *format* is the size and type of the vertex attribute data.
- *offset* is a byte offset of this attribute relative to the start of an element in the vertex input binding.

### 5.104.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *format* must be a valid VkFormat value
- *location* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputAttributes`
- *binding* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindings`
- *offset* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputAttributeOffset`
- *format* must be allowed as a vertex buffer format, as specified by the `VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT` flag in `VkFormatProperties::bufferFeatures` returned by **vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties**

### 5.104.5 See Also

VkFormat, VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo

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**5.104.6 Document Notes**

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<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkVertexInputAttributeDescription>

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## 5.105 VkVertexInputBindingDescription(3)

### 5.105.1 Name

VkVertexInputBindingDescription - Structure specifying vertex input binding description

### 5.105.2 C Specification

The VkVertexInputBindingDescription structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkVertexInputBindingDescription {
    uint32_t      binding;
    uint32_t      stride;
    VkVertexInputRate inputRate;
} VkVertexInputBindingDescription;
```

### 5.105.3 Members

- *binding* is the binding number that this structure describes.
- *stride* is the distance in bytes between two consecutive elements within the buffer.
- *inputRate* specifies whether vertex attribute addressing is a function of the vertex index or of the instance index. Possible values include:

```
typedef enum VkVertexInputRate {
    VK_VERTEX_INPUT_RATE_VERTEX = 0,
    VK_VERTEX_INPUT_RATE_INSTANCE = 1,
} VkVertexInputRate;
```

- VK\_VERTEX\_INPUT\_RATE\_VERTEX indicates that vertex attribute addressing is a function of the vertex index.
- VK\_VERTEX\_INPUT\_RATE\_INSTANCE indicates that vertex attribute addressing is a function of the instance index.

### 5.105.4 Description

#### Valid Usage

- *inputRate* must be a valid VkVertexInputRate value
- *binding* must be less than `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindings`
- *stride* must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindingStride`

### 5.105.5 See Also

VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo, VkVertexInputRate

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**5.105.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkVertexInputBindingDescription>

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## 5.106 VkViewport(3)

### 5.106.1 Name

VkViewport - Structure specifying a viewport

### 5.106.2 C Specification

The VkViewport structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkViewport {  
    float    x;  
    float    y;  
    float    width;  
    float    height;  
    float    minDepth;  
    float    maxDepth;  
} VkViewport;
```

### 5.106.3 Members

- *x* and *y* are the viewport's upper left corner (*x*,*y*).
- *width* and *height* are the viewport's width and height, respectively.
- *minDepth* and *maxDepth* are the depth range for the viewport. It is valid for *minDepth* to be greater than or equal to *maxDepth*.

### 5.106.4 Description

The framebuffer depth coordinate  $z_f$  may be represented using either a fixed-point or floating-point representation. However, a floating-point representation must be used if the depth/stencil attachment has a floating-point depth component. If an  $m$ -bit fixed-point representation is used, we assume that it represents each value  $\frac{k}{2^m-1}$ , where  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, 2^m - 1\}$ , as  $k$  (e.g. 1.0 is represented in binary as a string of all ones).

The viewport parameters shown in the above equations are found from these values as

$$\begin{aligned}o_x &= x + \frac{width}{2} \\o_y &= y + \frac{height}{2} \\o_z &= minDepth \\p_x &= width \\p_y &= height \\p_z &= maxDepth - minDepth.\end{aligned}$$

The width and height of the implementation-dependent maximum viewport dimensions must be greater than or equal to the width and height of the largest image which can be created and attached to a framebuffer.

The floating-point viewport bounds are represented with an implementation-dependent precision.

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**Valid Usage**

- *width* must be greater than 0.0 and less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewportDimensions[0]`
- *height* must be greater than 0.0 and less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewportDimensions[1]`
- *x* and *y* must each be between `viewportBoundsRange[0]` and `viewportBoundsRange[1]`, inclusive
- *x* + *width* must be less than or equal to `viewportBoundsRange[1]`
- *y* + *height* must be less than or equal to `viewportBoundsRange[1]`
- *minDepth* must be between 0.0 and 1.0, inclusive
- *maxDepth* must be between 0.0 and 1.0, inclusive
- If the `VK_AMD_negative_viewport_height` extension is enabled, *height* can also be negative

**5.106.5 See Also**

`VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo`, `vkCmdSetViewport`

**5.106.6 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkViewport>

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## 5.107 VkWriteDescriptorSet(3)

### 5.107.1 Name

VkWriteDescriptorSet - Structure specifying the parameters of a descriptor set write operation

### 5.107.2 C Specification

The VkWriteDescriptorSet structure is defined as:

```
typedef struct VkWriteDescriptorSet {
    VkStructureType    sType;
    const void*        pNext;
    VkDescriptorSet     dstSet;
    uint32_t           dstBinding;
    uint32_t           dstArrayElement;
    uint32_t           descriptorCount;
    VkDescriptorType    descriptorType;
    const VkDescriptorImageInfo* pImageInfo;
    const VkDescriptorBufferInfo* pBufferInfo;
    const VkBufferView* pTexelBufferView;
} VkWriteDescriptorSet;
```

### 5.107.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
  - *pNext* is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
  - *dstSet* is the destination descriptor set to update.
  - *dstBinding* is the descriptor binding within that set.
  - *dstArrayElement* is the starting element in that array.
  - *descriptorCount* is the number of descriptors to update (the number of elements in *pImageInfo*, *pBufferInfo*, or *pTexelBufferView*).
  - *descriptorType* is a *VkDescriptorType* specifying the type of each descriptor in *pImageInfo*, *pBufferInfo*, or *pTexelBufferView*, as described below. It must be the same type as that specified in *VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding* for *dstSet* at *dstBinding*. The type of the descriptor also controls which array the descriptors are taken from.
  - *pImageInfo* points to an array of *VkDescriptorImageInfo* structures or is ignored, as described below.
  - *pBufferInfo* points to an array of *VkDescriptorBufferInfo* structures or is ignored, as described below.
  - *pTexelBufferView* points to an array of *VkBufferView* handles as described in the Buffer Views section or is ignored, as described below.
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#### 5.107.4 Description

Only one of *pImageInfo*, *pBufferInfo*, or *pTexelBufferView* members is used according to the descriptor type specified in the *descriptorType* member of the containing *VkWriteDescriptorSet* structure, as specified below.

If the *dstBinding* has fewer than *descriptorCount* array elements remaining starting from *dstArrayElement*, then the remainder will be used to update the subsequent binding - *dstBinding+1* starting at array element zero. This behavior applies recursively, with the update affecting consecutive bindings as needed to update all *descriptorCount* descriptors. All consecutive bindings updated via a single *VkWriteDescriptorSet* structure must have identical *descriptorType* and *stageFlags*, and must all either use immutable samplers or must all not use immutable samplers.

##### Valid Usage

- *sType* must be `VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_WRITE_DESCRIPTOR_SET`
- *pNext* must be `NULL`
- *dstSet* must be a valid *VkDescriptorSet* handle
- *descriptorType* must be a valid *VkDescriptorType* value
- *descriptorCount* must be greater than 0
- Both of *dstSet*, and the elements of *pTexelBufferView* that are valid handles must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same *VkDevice*
- *dstBinding* must be a valid binding point within *dstSet*
- *descriptorType* must match the type of *dstBinding* within *dstSet*
- The sum of *dstArrayElement* and *descriptorCount* must be less than or equal to the number of array elements in the descriptor set binding specified by *dstBinding*, and all applicable consecutive bindings, as described by consecutive binding updates
- If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT`, *pImageInfo* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorCount* valid *VkDescriptorImageInfo* structures
- If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER`, *pTexelBufferView* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorCount* valid *VkBufferView* handles
- If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, *pBufferInfo* must be a pointer to an array of *descriptorCount* valid *VkDescriptorBufferInfo* structures
- If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, and *dstSet* was not allocated with a layout that included immutable samplers for *dstBinding* with *descriptorType*, the *sampler* member of any given element of *pImageInfo* must be a valid *VkSampler* object

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- If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT`, the *imageView* and *imageLayout* members of any given element of *pImageInfo* must be a valid `VkImageView` and `VkImageLayout`, respectively
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the *offset* member of any given element of *pBufferInfo* must be a multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minUniformBufferOffsetAlignment`
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the *offset* member of any given element of *pBufferInfo* must be a multiple of `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::minStorageBufferOffsetAlignment`
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the *buffer* member of any given element of *pBufferInfo* must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_BIT` set
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the *buffer* member of any given element of *pBufferInfo* must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_BUFFER_BIT` set
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the *range* member of any given element of *pBufferInfo*, or the effective range if *range* is `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxUniformBufferRange`
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the *range* member of any given element of *pBufferInfo*, or the effective range if *range* is `VK_WHOLE_SIZE`, must be less than or equal to `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxStorageBufferRange`
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER`, the `VkBuffer` that any given element of *pTexelBufferView* was created from must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` set
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER`, the `VkBuffer` that any given element of *pTexelBufferView* was created from must have been created with `VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT` set
  - If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT`, the *imageView* member of any given element of *pImageInfo* must have been created with the identity swizzle

#### 5.107.5 See Also

`VkBufferView`, `VkDescriptorBufferInfo`, `VkDescriptorImageInfo`, `VkDescriptorSet`, `VkDescriptorType`, `VkStructureType`, `vkUpdateDescriptorSets`

#### 5.107.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkWriteDescriptorSet>

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## 6 Enumerations

### 6.1 VkAccessFlagBits(3)

#### 6.1.1 Name

VkAccessFlagBits - Bitmask specifying classes of memory access the will participate in a memory barrier dependency

#### 6.1.2 C Specification

Bits which can be set in `VkMemoryBarrier::srcAccessMask` and `VkMemoryBarrier::dstAccessMask` include:

```
typedef enum VkAccessFlagBits {
    VK_ACCESS_INDIRECT_COMMAND_READ_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_ACCESS_INDEX_READ_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_ACCESS_VERTEX_ATTRIBUTE_READ_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_ACCESS_UNIFORM_READ_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_ACCESS_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_ACCESS_SHADER_READ_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_ACCESS_SHADER_WRITE_BIT = 0x00000040,
    VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT = 0x00000080,
    VK_ACCESS_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT = 0x00000100,
    VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_READ_BIT = 0x00000200,
    VK_ACCESS_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_WRITE_BIT = 0x00000400,
    VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_READ_BIT = 0x00000800,
    VK_ACCESS_TRANSFER_WRITE_BIT = 0x00001000,
    VK_ACCESS_HOST_READ_BIT = 0x00002000,
    VK_ACCESS_HOST_WRITE_BIT = 0x00004000,
    VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_READ_BIT = 0x00008000,
    VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
} VkAccessFlagBits;
```

#### 6.1.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkMemoryBarrier`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

#### 6.1.4 See Also

VkAccessFlags

#### 6.1.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAccessFlagBits>

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## 6.2 VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits(3)

### 6.2.1 Name

VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits - Bitmask specifying additional properties of an attachment

### 6.2.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits {  
    VK_ATTACHMENT_DESCRIPTION_MAY_ALIAS_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits;
```

### 6.2.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkAttachmentDescription`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.2.4 See Also

`VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags`

### 6.2.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits>

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## 6.3 VkAttachmentLoadOp(3)

### 6.3.1 Name

VkAttachmentLoadOp - Specify how contents of an attachment are treated at the beginning of a subpass

### 6.3.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkAttachmentLoadOp {  
    VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_LOAD = 0,  
    VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_CLEAR = 1,  
    VK_ATTACHMENT_LOAD_OP_DONT_CARE = 2,  
} VkAttachmentLoadOp;
```

### 6.3.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkAttachmentDescription`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.3.4 See Also

`VkAttachmentDescription`

### 6.3.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAttachmentLoadOp>

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## 6.4 VkAttachmentStoreOp(3)

### 6.4.1 Name

VkAttachmentStoreOp - Specify how contents of an attachment are treated at the end of a subpass

### 6.4.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkAttachmentStoreOp {  
    VK_ATTACHMENT_STORE_OP_STORE = 0,  
    VK_ATTACHMENT_STORE_OP_DONT_CARE = 1,  
} VkAttachmentStoreOp;
```

### 6.4.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkAttachmentDescription`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.4.4 See Also

`VkAttachmentDescription`

### 6.4.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAttachmentStoreOp>

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## 6.5 VkBlendFactor(3)

### 6.5.1 Name

VkBlendFactor - Framebuffer blending factors

### 6.5.2 C Specification

The source and destination color and alpha blending factors are selected from the enum:

```
typedef enum VkBlendFactor {
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ZERO = 0,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE = 1,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC_COLOR = 2,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC_COLOR = 3,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_DST_COLOR = 4,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_DST_COLOR = 5,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC_ALPHA = 6,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC_ALPHA = 7,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_DST_ALPHA = 8,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_DST_ALPHA = 9,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_CONSTANT_COLOR = 10,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_COLOR = 11,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_CONSTANT_ALPHA = 12,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_ALPHA = 13,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC_ALPHA_SATURATE = 14,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_COLOR = 15,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR = 16,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA = 17,
    VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA = 18,
} VkBlendFactor;
```

### 6.5.3 Description

The semantics of each enum value is described in the table below:

Table 8: Blend Factors

| VkBlendFactor                       | RGB Blend Factors<br>( $S_r, S_g, S_b$ ) or ( $D_r, D_g, D_b$ ) | Alpha Blend<br>Factor ( $S_a$ or<br>$D_a$ ) |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ZERO                | (0, 0, 0)   | 0   |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE                 | (1, 1, 1)   | 1   |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC_COLOR           | ( $R_{s0}, G_{s0}, B_{s0}$ )                                    | $A_{s0}$                                    |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC_COLOR | ( $1 - R_{s0}, 1 - G_{s0}, 1 - B_{s0}$ )                        | $1 - A_{s0}$                                |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_DST_COLOR           | ( $R_d, G_d, B_d$ )   | $A_d$                                       |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_DST_COLOR | ( $1 - R_d, 1 - G_d, 1 - B_d$ )                                 | $1 - A_d$                                   |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC_ALPHA           | ( $A_{s0}, A_{s0}, A_{s0}$ )                                    | $A_{s0}$                                    |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC_ALPHA | ( $1 - A_{s0}, 1 - A_{s0}, 1 - A_{s0}$ )                        | $1 - A_{s0}$                                |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_DST_ALPHA           | ( $A_d, A_d, A_d$ )   | $A_d$                                       |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_DST_ALPHA | ( $1 - A_d, 1 - A_d, 1 - A_d$ )                                 | $1 - A_d$                                   |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_CONSTANT_COLOR      | ( $R_c, G_c, B_c$ )   | $A_c$                                       |

Table 8: (continued)

| <b>VkBlendFactor</b>                     | <b>RGB Blend Factors</b><br>( $S_r, S_g, S_b$ ) or ( $D_r, D_g, D_b$ ) | <b>Alpha Blend Factor</b> ( $S_a$ or $D_a$ ) |
|--|--|--|
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_COLOR | $(1 - R_c, 1 - G_c, 1 - B_c)$  | $1 - A_c$                                    |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_CONSTANT_ALPHA           | $(A_c, A_c, A_c)$  | $A_c$  |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_ALPHA | $(1 - A_c, 1 - A_c, 1 - A_c)$  | $1 - A_c$                                    |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC_ALPHA_SATURATE       | $(f, f, f); f = \min(A_{s0}, 1 - A_d)$                                 | 1  |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_COLOR               | $(R_{s1}, G_{s1}, B_{s1})$   | $A_{s1}$                                     |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR     | $(1 - R_{s1}, 1 - G_{s1}, 1 - B_{s1})$                                 | $1 - A_{s1}$                                 |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA               | $(A_{s1}, A_{s1}, A_{s1})$   | $A_{s1}$                                     |
| VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA     | $(1 - A_{s1}, 1 - A_{s1}, 1 - A_{s1})$                                 | $1 - A_{s1}$                                 |

In this table, the following conventions are used:

- $R_{s0}, G_{s0}, B_{s0}$  and  $A_{s0}$  represent the first source color R, G, B, and A components, respectively, for the fragment output location corresponding to the color attachment being blended.
- $R_{s1}, G_{s1}, B_{s1}$  and  $A_{s1}$  represent the second source color R, G, B, and A components, respectively, used in dual source blending modes, for the fragment output location corresponding to the color attachment being blended.
- $R_d, G_d, B_d$  and  $A_d$  represent the R, G, B, and A components of the destination color. That is, the color currently in the corresponding color attachment for this fragment/sample.
- $R_c, G_c, B_c$  and  $A_c$  represent the blend constant R, G, B, and A components, respectively.

#### 6.5.4 See Also

VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState

#### 6.5.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBlendFactor>

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## 6.6 VkBlendOp(3)

### 6.6.1 Name

VkBlendOp - Framebuffer blending operations

### 6.6.2 C Specification

Once the source and destination blend factors have been selected, they along with the source and destination components are passed to the blending operation. The blending operations are selected from the following enum, with RGB and alpha components potentially using different blend operations:

```
typedef enum VkBlendOp {  
    VK_BLEND_OP_ADD = 0,  
    VK_BLEND_OP_SUBTRACT = 1,  
    VK_BLEND_OP_REVERSE_SUBTRACT = 2,  
    VK_BLEND_OP_MIN = 3,  
    VK_BLEND_OP_MAX = 4,  
} VkBlendOp;
```

### 6.6.3 Description

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The semantics of each enum value is described in the table below:

Table 9: Blend Operations

| VkBlendOp                    | RGB Components   | Alpha Component                          |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| VK_BLEND_OP_ADD              | $R = R_{s0} \times S_r + R_d \times D_r$<br>$G = G_{s0} \times S_g + G_d \times D_g$<br>$B = B_{s0} \times S_b + B_d \times D_b$ | $A = A_{s0} \times S_a + A_d \times D_a$ |
| VK_BLEND_OP_SUBTRACT         | $R = R_{s0} \times S_r - R_d \times D_r$<br>$G = G_{s0} \times S_g - G_d \times D_g$<br>$B = B_{s0} \times S_b - B_d \times D_b$ | $A = A_{s0} \times S_a - A_d \times D_a$ |
| VK_BLEND_OP_REVERSE_SUBTRACT | $R = R_d \times D_r - R_{s0} \times S_r$<br>$G = G_d \times D_g - G_{s0} \times S_g$<br>$B = B_d \times D_b - B_{s0} \times S_b$ | $A = A_d \times D_a - A_{s0} \times S_a$ |
| VK_BLEND_OP_MIN              | $R = \min(R_{s0}, R_d)$<br>$G = \min(G_{s0}, G_d)$<br>$B = \min(B_{s0}, B_d)$  | $A = \min(A_{s0}, A_d)$                  |
| VK_BLEND_OP_MAX              | $R = \max(R_{s0}, R_d)$<br>$G = \max(G_{s0}, G_d)$<br>$B = \max(B_{s0}, B_d)$  | $A = \max(A_{s0}, A_d)$                  |

In this table, the following conventions are used:

- $R_{s0}, G_{s0}, B_{s0}$  and  $A_{s0}$  represent the first source color R, G, B, and A components, respectively.
- $R_d, G_d, B_d$  and  $A_d$  represent the R, G, B, and A components of the destination color. That is, the color currently in the corresponding color attachment for this fragment/sample.
- $S_r, S_g, S_b$  and  $S_a$  represent the source blend factor R, G, B, and A components, respectively.
- $D_r, D_g, D_b$  and  $D_a$  represent the destination blend factor R, G, B, and A components, respectively.

The blending operation produces a new set of values  $R, G, B$  and  $A$ , which are written to the framebuffer attachment. If blending is not enabled for this attachment, then  $R, G, B$  and  $A$  are assigned  $R_{s0}, G_{s0}, B_{s0}$  and  $A_{s0}$ , respectively.

If the color attachment is fixed-point, the components of the source and destination values and blend factors are each clamped to  $[0, 1]$  or  $[-1, 1]$  respectively for an unsigned normalized or signed normalized color attachment prior to evaluating the blend operations. If the color attachment is floating-point, no clamping occurs.

#### 6.6.4 See Also

VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState

#### 6.6.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBlendOp>

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## 6.7 VkBorderColor(3)

### 6.7.1 Name

VkBorderColor - Specify border color used for texture lookups

### 6.7.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkBorderColor {  
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_FLOAT_TRANSPARENT_BLACK = 0,  
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_INT_TRANSPARENT_BLACK = 1,  
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_FLOAT_OPAQUE_BLACK = 2,  
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_INT_OPAQUE_BLACK = 3,  
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_FLOAT_OPAQUE_WHITE = 4,  
    VK_BORDER_COLOR_INT_OPAQUE_WHITE = 5,  
} VkBorderColor;
```

### 6.7.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSamplerCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.7.4 See Also

`VkSamplerCreateInfo`

### 6.7.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBorderColor>

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## 6.8 VkBufferCreateFlagBits(3)

### 6.8.1 Name

VkBufferCreateFlagBits - Bitmask specifying additional parameters of a buffer

### 6.8.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkBufferCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_BUFFER_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT = 0x00000004,  
} VkBufferCreateFlagBits;
```

### 6.8.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkBufferCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.8.4 See Also

VkBufferCreateFlags

### 6.8.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferCreateFlagBits>

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## 6.9 VkBufferUsageFlagBits(3)

### 6.9.1 Name

VkBufferUsageFlagBits - Bitmask specifying allowed usage of a buffer

### 6.9.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkBufferUsageFlagBits {  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000008,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000010,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000020,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000040,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000080,  
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDIRECT_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000100,  
} VkBufferUsageFlagBits;
```

### 6.9.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkBufferCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.9.4 See Also

VkBufferUsageFlags

### 6.9.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferUsageFlagBits>

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## 6.10 VkColorComponentFlagBits(3)

### 6.10.1 Name

VkColorComponentFlagBits - Bitmask controlling which components are written to the framebuffer

### 6.10.2 C Specification

The *colorWriteMask* member of *VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState* determines whether the final color values *R*, *G*, *B* and *A* are written to the framebuffer attachment. *colorWriteMask* is any combination of the following bits:

```
typedef enum VkColorComponentFlagBits {  
    VK_COLOR_COMPONENT_R_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_COLOR_COMPONENT_G_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_COLOR_COMPONENT_B_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_COLOR_COMPONENT_A_BIT = 0x00000008,  
} VkColorComponentFlagBits;
```

### 6.10.3 Description

If *VK\_COLOR\_COMPONENT\_R\_BIT* is set, then the *R* value is written to color attachment for the appropriate sample, otherwise the value in memory is unmodified. The *VK\_COLOR\_COMPONENT\_G\_BIT*, *VK\_COLOR\_COMPONENT\_B\_BIT*, and *VK\_COLOR\_COMPONENT\_A\_BIT* bits similarly control writing of the *G*, *B*, and *A* values. The *colorWriteMask* is applied regardless of whether blending is enabled.

### 6.10.4 See Also

VkColorComponentFlags

### 6.10.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkColorComponentFlagBits>

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## 6.11 VkCommandBufferLevel(3)

### 6.11.1 Name

VkCommandBufferLevel - Structure specifying a command buffer level

### 6.11.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkCommandBufferLevel {  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_PRIMARY = 0,  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_LEVEL_SECONDARY = 1,  
} VkCommandBufferLevel;
```

### 6.11.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.11.4 See Also

`VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo`

### 6.11.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferLevel>

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## 6.12 VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits(3)

### 6.12.1 Name

VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits - Bitmask controlling behavior of a command buffer reset

### 6.12.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits {  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_RESET_RELEASE_RESOURCES_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits;
```

### 6.12.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkResetCommandBuffer`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.12.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferResetFlags

### 6.12.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits>

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## 6.13 VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits(3)

### 6.13.1 Name

VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits - Bitmask specifying usage behavior for command buffer

### 6.13.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits {  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_ONE_TIME_SUBMIT_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_SIMULTANEOUS_USE_BIT = 0x00000004,  
} VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits;
```

### 6.13.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkCommandBufferBeginInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.13.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferUsageFlags

### 6.13.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits>

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## 6.14 VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits(3)

### 6.14.1 Name

VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits - Bitmask specifying usage behavior for a command pool

### 6.14.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_TRANSIENT_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_RESET_COMMAND_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000002,  
} VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits;
```

### 6.14.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkCommandPoolCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.14.4 See Also

VkCommandPoolCreateFlags

### 6.14.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits>

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## 6.15 VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits(3)

### 6.15.1 Name

VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits - Bitmask controlling behavior of a command pool reset

### 6.15.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits {  
    VK_COMMAND_POOL_RESET_RELEASE_RESOURCES_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits;
```

### 6.15.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkResetCommandPool`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.15.4 See Also

VkCommandPoolResetFlags

### 6.15.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits>

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## 6.16 VkCompareOp(3)

### 6.16.1 Name

VkCompareOp - Stencil comparison function

### 6.16.2 C Specification

*compareOp* is a symbolic constant that determines the stencil comparison function:

```
typedef enum VkCompareOp {  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_NEVER = 0,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_LESS = 1,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_EQUAL = 2,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_LESS_OR_EQUAL = 3,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_GREATER = 4,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_NOT_EQUAL = 5,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_GREATER_OR_EQUAL = 6,  
    VK_COMPARE_OP_ALWAYS = 7,  
} VkCompareOp;
```

### 6.16.3 Description

- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_NEVER: the test never passes.
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_LESS: the test passes when  $R < S$ .
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_EQUAL: the test passes when  $R = S$ .
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_LESS\_OR\_EQUAL: the test passes when  $R \leq S$ .
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_GREATER: the test passes when  $R > S$ .
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_NOT\_EQUAL: the test passes when  $R \neq S$ .
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_GREATER\_OR\_EQUAL: the test passes when  $R \geq S$ .
- VK\_COMPARE\_OP\_ALWAYS: the test always passes.

### 6.16.4 See Also

VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo, VkSamplerCreateInfo, VkStencilOpState

### 6.16.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCompareOp>

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## 6.17 VkComponentSwizzle(3)

### 6.17.1 Name

VkComponentSwizzle - Specify how a component is swizzled

### 6.17.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkComponentSwizzle {  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_IDENTITY = 0,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_ZERO = 1,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_ONE = 2,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_R = 3,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_G = 4,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_B = 5,  
    VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_A = 6,  
} VkComponentSwizzle;
```

### 6.17.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkComponentMapping`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.17.4 See Also

`VkComponentMapping`

### 6.17.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkComponentSwizzle>

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## 6.18 VkCullModeFlagBits(3)

### 6.18.1 Name

VkCullModeFlagBits - Bitmask controlling triangle culling

### 6.18.2 C Specification

Once the orientation of triangles is determined, they are culled according to the setting of the `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo::cullMode` property of the currently active pipeline, which takes the following values:

```
typedef enum VkCullModeFlagBits {  
    VK_CULL_MODE_NONE = 0,  
    VK_CULL_MODE_FRONT_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_CULL_MODE_BACK_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_CULL_MODE_FRONT_AND_BACK = 0x00000003,  
} VkCullModeFlagBits;
```

### 6.18.3 Description

If the `cullMode` is set to `VK_CULL_MODE_NONE` no triangles are discarded, if it is set to `VK_CULL_MODE_FRONT_BIT` front-facing triangles are discarded, if it is set to `VK_CULL_MODE_BACK_BIT` then back-facing triangles are discarded and if it is set to `VK_CULL_MODE_FRONT_AND_BACK` then all triangles are discarded. Following culling, fragments are produced for any triangles which have not been discarded.

### 6.18.4 See Also

VkCullModeFlags

### 6.18.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCullModeFlagBits>

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## 6.19 VkDependencyFlagBits(3)

### 6.19.1 Name

VkDependencyFlagBits - Bitmask specifying dependencies between subpasses

### 6.19.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkDependencyFlagBits {  
    VK_DEPENDENCY_BY_REGION_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkDependencyFlagBits;
```

### 6.19.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSubpassDependency`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.19.4 See Also

VkDependencyFlags

### 6.19.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDependencyFlagBits>

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## 6.20 VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits(3)

### 6.20.1 Name

VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits - Bitmask specifying certain supported operations on a descriptor pool

### 6.20.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_POOL_CREATE_FREE_DESCRIPTOR_SET_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits;
```

### 6.20.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.20.4 See Also

`VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags`

### 6.20.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits>

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## 6.21 VkDescriptorType(3)

### 6.21.1 Name

VkDescriptorType - Specifies the type of a descriptor in a descriptor set

### 6.21.2 C Specification

The type of descriptors in a descriptor set is specified by `VkWriteDescriptorSet::descriptorType`, which must be one of the values:

```
typedef enum VkDescriptorType {  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER = 0,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER = 1,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE = 2,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE = 3,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER = 4,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER = 5,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER = 6,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER = 7,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC = 8,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC = 9,  
    VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT = 10,  
} VkDescriptorType;
```

### 6.21.3 Description

If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_BUFFER_DYNAMIC`, the elements of the `VkWriteDescriptorSet::pBufferInfo` array of `VkDescriptorBufferInfo` structures will be used to update the descriptors, and other arrays will be ignored.

If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER`, the `VkWriteDescriptorSet::pTexelBufferView` array will be used to update the descriptors, and other arrays will be ignored.

If *descriptorType* is `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE`, `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`, or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT`, the elements of the `VkWriteDescriptorSet::pImageInfo` array of `VkDescriptorImageInfo` structures will be used to update the descriptors, and other arrays will be ignored.

### 6.21.4 See Also

`VkDescriptorPoolSize`, `VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding`, `VkWriteDescriptorSet`

### 6.21.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorType>

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## 6.22 VkDynamicState(3)

### 6.22.1 Name

VkDynamicState - Indicate which dynamic state is taken from dynamic state commands

### 6.22.2 C Specification

The source of difference pieces of dynamic state is determined by the `VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo::pDynamicStates` property of the currently active pipeline, which takes the following values:

```
typedef enum VkDynamicState {  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_VIEWPORT = 0,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_SCISSOR = 1,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_LINE_WIDTH = 2,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BIAS = 3,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_BLEND_CONSTANTS = 4,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BOUNDS = 5,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_COMPARE_MASK = 6,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_WRITE_MASK = 7,  
    VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_REFERENCE = 8,  
} VkDynamicState;
```

### 6.22.3 Description

- `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_VIEWPORT` indicates that the *pViewports* state in `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo` will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetViewport` before any draw commands. The number of viewports used by a pipeline is still specified by the *viewportCount* member of `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo`.
- `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_SCISSOR` indicates that the *pScissors* state in `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo` will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetScissor` before any draw commands. The number of scissor rectangles used by a pipeline is still specified by the *scissorCount* member of `VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo`.
- `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_LINE_WIDTH` indicates that the *lineWidth* state in `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetLineWidth` before any draw commands that generate line primitives for the rasterizer.
- `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BIAS` indicates that the *depthBiasConstantFactor*, *depthBiasClamp* and *depthBiasSlopeFactor* states in `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetDepthBias` before any draws are performed with *depthBiasEnable* in `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo` set to `VK_TRUE`.
- `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_BLEND_CONSTANTS` indicates that the *blendConstants* state in `VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo` will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetBlendConstants` before any draws are performed with a pipeline state with `VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState` member *blendEnable* set to `VK_TRUE` and any of the blend functions using a constant blend color.

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- `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_DEPTH_BOUNDS` indicates that the *minDepthBounds* and *maxDepthBounds* states of `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetDepthBounds` before any draws are performed with a pipeline state with `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` member *depthBoundsTestEnable* set to `VK_TRUE`.
  - `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_COMPARE_MASK` indicates that the *compareMask* state in `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` for both *front* and *back* will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask` before any draws are performed with a pipeline state with `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` member *stencilTestEnable* set to `VK_TRUE`
  - `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_WRITE_MASK` indicates that the *writeMask* state in `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` for both *front* and *back* will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask` before any draws are performed with a pipeline state with `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` member *stencilTestEnable* set to `VK_TRUE`
  - `VK_DYNAMIC_STATE_STENCIL_REFERENCE` indicates that the *reference* state in `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` for both *front* and *back* will be ignored and must be set dynamically with `vkCmdSetStencilReference` before any draws are performed with a pipeline state with `VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo` member *stencilTestEnable* set to `VK_TRUE`

#### 6.22.4 See Also

`VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo`

#### 6.22.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDynamicState>

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## 6.23 VkFenceCreateFlagBits(3)

### 6.23.1 Name

VkFenceCreateFlagBits - Bitmask specifying initial state and behavior of a fence

### 6.23.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkFenceCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_FENCE_CREATE_SIGNALED_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkFenceCreateFlagBits;
```

### 6.23.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkFenceCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.23.4 See Also

`VkFenceCreateFlags`

### 6.23.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFenceCreateFlagBits>

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## 6.24 VkFilter(3)

### 6.24.1 Name

VkFilter - Specify filters used for texture lookups

### 6.24.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkFilter {  
    VK_FILTER_NEAREST = 0,  
    VK_FILTER_LINEAR = 1,  
    VK_FILTER_CUBIC_IMG = 1000015000,  
} VkFilter;
```

### 6.24.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSamplerCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.24.4 See Also

`VkSamplerCreateInfo`, `vkCmdBlitImage`

### 6.24.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFilter>

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## 6.25 VkFormat(3)

### 6.25.1 Name

VkFormat - Available image formats

### 6.25.2 C Specification

The available formats are defined by the `VkFormat` enumeration:

```
typedef enum VkFormat {
    VK_FORMAT_UNDEFINED = 0,
    VK_FORMAT_R4G4_UNORM_PACK8 = 1,
    VK_FORMAT_R4G4B4A4_UNORM_PACK16 = 2,
    VK_FORMAT_B4G4R4A4_UNORM_PACK16 = 3,
    VK_FORMAT_R5G6B5_UNORM_PACK16 = 4,
    VK_FORMAT_B5G6R5_UNORM_PACK16 = 5,
    VK_FORMAT_R5G5B5A1_UNORM_PACK16 = 6,
    VK_FORMAT_B5G5R5A1_UNORM_PACK16 = 7,
    VK_FORMAT_A1R5G5B5_UNORM_PACK16 = 8,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_UNORM = 9,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_SNORM = 10,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_USCALED = 11,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_SSCALED = 12,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_UINT = 13,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_SINT = 14,
    VK_FORMAT_R8_SRGB = 15,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_UNORM = 16,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_SNORM = 17,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_USCALED = 18,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_SSCALED = 19,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_UINT = 20,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_SINT = 21,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8_SRGB = 22,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_UNORM = 23,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_SNORM = 24,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_USCALED = 25,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_SSCALED = 26,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_UINT = 27,
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### 6.25.3 Description

#### **VK\_FORMAT\_UNDEFINED**

The format is not specified.

#### **VK\_FORMAT\_R4G4\_UNORM\_PACK8**

A two-component, 8-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 4-bit R component in bits 4..7, and a 4-bit G component in bits 0..3.

#### **VK\_FORMAT\_R4G4B4A4\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A four-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 4-bit R component in bits 12..15, a 4-bit G component in bits 8..11, a 4-bit B component in bits 4..7, and a 4-bit A component in bits 0..3.

#### **VK\_FORMAT\_B4G4R4A4\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A four-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 4-bit B component in bits 12..15, a 4-bit G component in bits 8..11, a 4-bit R component in bits 4..7, and a 4-bit A component in bits 0..3.

#### **VK\_FORMAT\_R5G6B5\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A three-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 5-bit R component in bits 11..15, a 6-bit G component in bits 5..10, and a 5-bit B component in bits 0..4.

#### **VK\_FORMAT\_B5G6R5\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A three-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 5-bit B component in bits 11..15, a 6-bit G component in bits 5..10, and a 5-bit R component in bits 0..4.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_R5G5B5A1\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A four-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 5-bit R component in bits 11..15, a 5-bit G component in bits 6..10, a 5-bit B component in bits 1..5, and a 1-bit A component in bit 0.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B5G5R5A1\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A four-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 5-bit B component in bits 11..15, a 5-bit G component in bits 6..10, a 5-bit R component in bits 1..5, and a 1-bit A component in bit 0.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A1R5G5B5\_UNORM\_PACK16**

A four-component, 16-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 1-bit A component in bit 15, a 5-bit R component in bits 10..14, a 5-bit G component in bits 5..9, and a 5-bit B component in bits 0..4.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_UNORM**

A one-component, 8-bit unsigned normalized format that has a single 8-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_SNORM**

A one-component, 8-bit signed normalized format that has a single 8-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_USCALED**

A one-component, 8-bit unsigned scaled integer format that has a single 8-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_SSCALED**

A one-component, 8-bit signed scaled integer format that has a single 8-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_UINT**

A one-component, 8-bit unsigned integer format that has a single 8-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_SINT**

A one-component, 8-bit signed integer format that has a single 8-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8\_SRGB**

A one-component, 8-bit unsigned normalized format that has a single 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_UNORM**

A two-component, 16-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component in byte 1.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_SNORM**

A two-component, 16-bit signed normalized format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component in byte 1.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_USCALED**

A two-component, 16-bit unsigned scaled integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component in byte 1.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_SSCALED**

A two-component, 16-bit signed scaled integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component in byte 1.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_UINT**

A two-component, 16-bit unsigned integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component in byte 1.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_SINT**

A two-component, 16-bit signed integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component in byte 1.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8\_SRGB**

A two-component, 16-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 0, and an 8-bit G component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 1.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_UNORM**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_SNORM**

A three-component, 24-bit signed normalized format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_USCALED**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned scaled format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_SSCALED**

A three-component, 24-bit signed scaled format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_UINT**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_SINT**

A three-component, 24-bit signed integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8\_SRGB**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 0, an 8-bit G component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 1, and an 8-bit B component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_UNORM**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_SNORM**

A three-component, 24-bit signed normalized format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_USCALED**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned scaled format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_SSCALED**

A three-component, 24-bit signed scaled format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_UINT**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned integer format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_SINT**

A three-component, 24-bit signed integer format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component in byte 2.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8\_SRGB**

A three-component, 24-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit B component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 0, an 8-bit G component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 1, and an 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 2.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_UNORM**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit B component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_SNORM**

A four-component, 32-bit signed normalized format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit B component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_USCALED**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned scaled format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit B component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_SSCALED**

A four-component, 32-bit signed scaled format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit B component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_UINT**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit B component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_SINT**

A four-component, 32-bit signed integer format that has an 8-bit R component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit B component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_SRGB**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 0, an 8-bit G component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 1, an 8-bit B component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_UNORM**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit R component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_SNORM**

A four-component, 32-bit signed normalized format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit R component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

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A four-component, 32-bit unsigned scaled format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit R component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_SSCALED**

A four-component, 32-bit signed scaled format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit R component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_UINT**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned integer format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit R component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_SINT**

A four-component, 32-bit signed integer format that has an 8-bit B component in byte 0, an 8-bit G component in byte 1, an 8-bit R component in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_SRGB**

A four-component, 32-bit unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit B component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 0, an 8-bit G component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 1, an 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in byte 2, and an 8-bit A component in byte 3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_UNORM\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_SNORM\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed normalized format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_USCALED\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned scaled integer format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_SSCALED\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed scaled integer format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_UINT\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned integer format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_SINT\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed integer format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A8B8G8R8\_SRGB\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has an 8-bit A component in bits 24..31, an 8-bit B component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in bits 16..23, an 8-bit G component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in bits 8..15, and an 8-bit R component stored with sRGB nonlinear encoding in bits 0..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2R10G10B10\_UNORM\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit R component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit B component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2R10G10B10\_SNORM\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed normalized format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit R component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit B component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2R10G10B10\_USCALED\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned scaled integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit R component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit B component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2R10G10B10\_SSCALED\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed scaled integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit R component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit B component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2R10G10B10\_UINT\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit R component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit B component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2R10G10B10\_SINT\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit R component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit B component in bits 0..9.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_A2B10G10R10\_UNORM\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned normalized format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit B component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit R component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2B10G10R10\_SNORM\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed normalized format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit B component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit R component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2B10G10R10\_USCALED\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned scaled integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit B component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit R component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2B10G10R10\_SSCALED\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed scaled integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit B component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit R component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2B10G10R10\_UINT\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed unsigned integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit B component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit R component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_A2B10G10R10\_SINT\_PACK32**

A four-component, 32-bit packed signed integer format that has a 2-bit A component in bits 30..31, a 10-bit B component in bits 20..29, a 10-bit G component in bits 10..19, and a 10-bit R component in bits 0..9.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_UNORM**

A one-component, 16-bit unsigned normalized format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_SNORM**

A one-component, 16-bit signed normalized format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_USCALED**

A one-component, 16-bit unsigned scaled integer format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_SSCALED**

A one-component, 16-bit signed scaled integer format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_UINT**

A one-component, 16-bit unsigned integer format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_SINT**

A one-component, 16-bit signed integer format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16\_SFLOAT**

A one-component, 16-bit signed floating-point format that has a single 16-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_UNORM**

A two-component, 32-bit unsigned normalized format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_SNORM**

A two-component, 32-bit signed normalized format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_USCALED**

A two-component, 32-bit unsigned scaled integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_SSCALED**

A two-component, 32-bit signed scaled integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_UINT**

A two-component, 32-bit unsigned integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_SINT**

A two-component, 32-bit signed integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16\_SFLOAT**

A two-component, 32-bit signed floating-point format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, and a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_UNORM**

A three-component, 48-bit unsigned normalized format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_SNORM**

A three-component, 48-bit signed normalized format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_USCALED**

A three-component, 48-bit unsigned scaled integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_SSCALED**

A three-component, 48-bit signed scaled integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_UINT**

A three-component, 48-bit unsigned integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_SINT**

A three-component, 48-bit signed integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16\_SFLOAT**

A three-component, 48-bit signed floating-point format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, and a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_UNORM**

A four-component, 64-bit unsigned normalized format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_SNORM**

A four-component, 64-bit signed normalized format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_USCALED**

A four-component, 64-bit unsigned scaled integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_SSCALED**

A four-component, 64-bit signed scaled integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_UINT**

A four-component, 64-bit unsigned integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_SINT**

A four-component, 64-bit signed integer format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R16G16B16A16\_SFLOAT**

A four-component, 64-bit signed floating-point format that has a 16-bit R component in bytes 0..1, a 16-bit G component in bytes 2..3, a 16-bit B component in bytes 4..5, and a 16-bit A component in bytes 6..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32\_UINT**

A one-component, 32-bit unsigned integer format that has a single 32-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32\_SINT**

A one-component, 32-bit signed integer format that has a single 32-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32\_SFLOAT**

A one-component, 32-bit signed floating-point format that has a single 32-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32\_UINT**

A two-component, 64-bit unsigned integer format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, and a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32\_SINT**

A two-component, 64-bit signed integer format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, and a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32\_SFLOAT**

A two-component, 64-bit signed floating-point format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, and a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32B32\_UINT**

A three-component, 96-bit unsigned integer format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7, and a 32-bit B component in bytes 8..11.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32B32\_SINT**

A three-component, 96-bit signed integer format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7, and a 32-bit B component in bytes 8..11.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32B32\_SFLOAT**

A three-component, 96-bit signed floating-point format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7, and a 32-bit B component in bytes 8..11.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32B32A32\_UINT**

A four-component, 128-bit unsigned integer format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7, a 32-bit B component in bytes 8..11, and a 32-bit A component in bytes 12..15.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32B32A32\_SINT**

A four-component, 128-bit signed integer format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7, a 32-bit B component in bytes 8..11, and a 32-bit A component in bytes 12..15.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_R32G32B32A32\_SFLOAT**

A four-component, 128-bit signed floating-point format that has a 32-bit R component in bytes 0..3, a 32-bit G component in bytes 4..7, a 32-bit B component in bytes 8..11, and a 32-bit A component in bytes 12..15.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64\_UINT**

A one-component, 64-bit unsigned integer format that has a single 64-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64\_SINT**

A one-component, 64-bit signed integer format that has a single 64-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64\_SFLOAT**

A one-component, 64-bit signed floating-point format that has a single 64-bit R component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64\_UINT**

A two-component, 128-bit unsigned integer format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, and a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64\_SINT**

A two-component, 128-bit signed integer format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, and a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64\_SFLOAT**

A two-component, 128-bit signed floating-point format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, and a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64B64\_UINT**

A three-component, 192-bit unsigned integer format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15, and a 64-bit B component in bytes 16..23.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64B64\_SINT**

A three-component, 192-bit signed integer format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15, and a 64-bit B component in bytes 16..23.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64B64\_SFLOAT**

A three-component, 192-bit signed floating-point format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15, and a 64-bit B component in bytes 16..23.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64B64A64\_UINT**

A four-component, 256-bit unsigned integer format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15, a 64-bit B component in bytes 16..23, and a 64-bit A component in bytes 24..31.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64B64A64\_SINT**

A four-component, 256-bit signed integer format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15, a 64-bit B component in bytes 16..23, and a 64-bit A component in bytes 24..31.

**VK\_FORMAT\_R64G64B64A64\_SFLOAT**

A four-component, 256-bit signed floating-point format that has a 64-bit R component in bytes 0..7, a 64-bit G component in bytes 8..15, a 64-bit B component in bytes 16..23, and a 64-bit A component in bytes 24..31.

**VK\_FORMAT\_B10G11R11\_UFLOAT\_PACK32**

A three-component, 32-bit packed unsigned floating-point format that has a 10-bit B component in bits 22..31, an 11-bit G component in bits 11..21, an 11-bit R component in bits 0..10. See [?] and [?].

**VK\_FORMAT\_E5B9G9R9\_UFLOAT\_PACK32**

A three-component, 32-bit packed unsigned floating-point format that has a 5-bit shared exponent in bits 27..31, a 9-bit B component mantissa in bits 18..26, a 9-bit G component mantissa in bits 9..17, and a 9-bit R component mantissa in bits 0..8.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_D16\_UNORM**

A one-component, 16-bit unsigned normalized format that has a single 16-bit depth component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_X8\_D24\_UNORM\_PACK32**

A two-component, 32-bit format that has 24 unsigned normalized bits in the depth component and, optionally, 8 bits that are unused.

**VK\_FORMAT\_D32\_SFLOAT**

A one-component, 32-bit signed floating-point format that has 32-bits in the depth component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_S8\_UINT**

A one-component, 8-bit unsigned integer format that has 8-bits in the stencil component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_D16\_UNORM\_S8\_UINT**

A two-component, 24-bit format that has 16 unsigned normalized bits in the depth component and 8 unsigned integer bits in the stencil component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_D24\_UNORM\_S8\_UINT**

A two-component, 32-bit packed format that has 8 unsigned integer bits in the stencil component, and 24 unsigned normalized bits in the depth component.

**VK\_FORMAT\_D32\_SFLOAT\_S8\_UINT**

A two-component format that has 32 signed float bits in the depth component and 8 unsigned integer bits in the stencil component. There are optionally 24-bits that are unused.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A three-component, block-compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data. This format has no alpha and is considered opaque.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGB\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A three-component, block-compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding. This format has no alpha and is considered opaque.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data, and provides 1 bit of alpha.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC1\_RGBA\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding, and provides 1 bit of alpha.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with the first 64 bits encoding alpha values followed by 64 bits encoding RGB values.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC2\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with the first 64 bits encoding alpha values followed by 64 bits encoding RGB values with sRGB nonlinear encoding.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with the first 64 bits encoding alpha values followed by 64 bits encoding RGB values.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_BC3\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with the first 64 bits encoding alpha values followed by 64 bits encoding RGB values with sRGB nonlinear encoding.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A one-component, block-compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized red texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC4\_SNORM\_BLOCK**

A one-component, block-compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of signed normalized red texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A two-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RG texel data with the first 64 bits encoding red values followed by 64 bits encoding green values.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC5\_SNORM\_BLOCK**

A two-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of signed normalized RG texel data with the first 64 bits encoding red values followed by 64 bits encoding green values.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_UFLOAT\_BLOCK**

A three-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned floating-point RGB texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC6H\_SFLOAT\_BLOCK**

A three-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of signed floating-point RGB texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_BC7\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, block-compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A three-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data. This format has no alpha and is considered opaque.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A three-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding. This format has no alpha and is considered opaque.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A1\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data, and provides 1 bit of alpha.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A1\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGB texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding, and provides 1 bit of alpha.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A8\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with the first 64 bits encoding alpha values followed by 64 bits encoding RGB values.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ETC2\_R8G8B8A8\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with the first 64 bits encoding alpha values followed by 64 bits encoding RGB values with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied.

**VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A one-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized red texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11\_SNORM\_BLOCK**

A one-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 64-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of signed normalized red texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11G11\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A two-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RG texel data with the first 64 bits encoding red values followed by 64 bits encoding green values.

**VK\_FORMAT\_EAC\_R11G11\_SNORM\_BLOCK**

A two-component, ETC2 compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of signed normalized RG texel data with the first 64 bits encoding red values followed by 64 bits encoding green values.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_4x4\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_4x4\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 4x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x4\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 5x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x4\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 5x4 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 5x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_5x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 5x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 6x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 6x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 6x6 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_6x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 6x6 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes an 8x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes an 8x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes an 8x6 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes an 8x6 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x8\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes an 8x8 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_8x8\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes an 8x8 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x5\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x5\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x5 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x6 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x6 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x8\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x8 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

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**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x8\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x8 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x10\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x10 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 10x10 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 12x10 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x10\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 12x10 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_UNORM\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 12x12 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data.

**VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_SRGB\_BLOCK**

A four-component, ASTC compressed format where each 128-bit compressed texel block encodes a 12x12 rectangle of unsigned normalized RGBA texel data with sRGB nonlinear encoding applied to the RGB components.

**6.25.4 See Also**

VkAttachmentDescription, VkBufferViewCreateInfo, VkImageCreateInfo, VkImageViewCreateInfo, VkVertexInputAttributeDescription, vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties, vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties, vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties

**6.25.5 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFormat>

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## 6.26 VkFormatFeatureFlagBits(3)

### 6.26.1 Name

VkFormatFeatureFlagBits - Bitmask specifying features supported by a buffer

### 6.26.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkFormatFeatureFlagBits {
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_IMAGE_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_IMAGE_ATOMIC_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_ATOMIC_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000040,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000080,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BLEND_BIT = 0x00000100,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000200,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_SRC_BIT = 0x00000400,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT = 0x00000800,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT = 0x00001000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_CUBIC_BIT_IMG = 0x00002000,
} VkFormatFeatureFlagBits;
```

### 6.26.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkFormatProperties`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.26.4 See Also

VkFormatFeatureFlags

### 6.26.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFormatFeatureFlagBits>

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## 6.27 VkFrontFace(3)

### 6.27.1 Name

VkFrontFace - Interpret polygon front-facing orientation

### 6.27.2 C Specification

The first step of polygon rasterization is to determine whether the triangle is *back-facing* or *front-facing*. This determination is made based on the sign of the (clipped or unclipped) polygon's area computed in framebuffer coordinates. One way to compute this area is:

$$a = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_f^i y_f^{i \oplus 1} - x_f^{i \oplus 1} y_f^i$$

where  $x_f^i$  and  $y_f^i$  are the  $x$  and  $y$  framebuffer coordinates of the  $i$ th vertex of the  $n$ -vertex polygon (vertices are numbered starting at zero for the purposes of this computation) and  $i \oplus 1$  is  $(i + 1) \bmod n$ .

The interpretation of the sign of  $a$  is determined by the

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo::*frontFace* property of the currently active pipeline, which takes the following values:

```
typedef enum VkFrontFace {
    VK_FRONT_FACE_COUNTER_CLOCKWISE = 0,
    VK_FRONT_FACE_CLOCKWISE = 1,
} VkFrontFace;
```

### 6.27.3 Description

If *frontFace* is set to VK\_FRONT\_FACE\_COUNTER\_CLOCKWISE, a triangle with positive area is considered front-facing. If it is set to VK\_FRONT\_FACE\_CLOCKWISE, a triangle with negative area is considered front-facing. Any triangle which is not front-facing is back-facing, including zero-area triangles.

### 6.27.4 See Also

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo

### 6.27.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFrontFace>

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## 6.28 VkImageAspectFlagBits(3)

### 6.28.1 Name

VkImageAspectFlagBits - Bitmask specifying which aspects of an image are included in a view

### 6.28.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkImageAspectFlagBits {  
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_COLOR_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_DEPTH_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_STENCIL_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_IMAGE_ASPECT_METADATA_BIT = 0x00000008,  
} VkImageAspectFlagBits;
```

### 6.28.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkImageSubresourceRange`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.28.4 See Also

VkImageAspectFlags

### 6.28.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageAspectFlagBits>

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## 6.29 VkImageCreateFlagBits(3)

### 6.29.1 Name

VkImageCreateFlagBits - Bitmask specifying additional parameters of an image

### 6.29.2 C Specification

Additional parameters of an image are specified by `VkImageCreateInfo::flags`. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkImageCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_IMAGE_CREATE_MUTABLE_FORMAT_BIT = 0x00000008,  
    VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT = 0x00000010,  
} VkImageCreateFlagBits;
```

### 6.29.3 Description

These bits have the following meanings:

- `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` indicates that the image will be backed using sparse memory binding.
- `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT` indicates that the image can be partially backed using sparse memory binding. Images created with this flag must also be created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` flag.
- `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT` indicates that the image will be backed using sparse memory binding with memory ranges that might also simultaneously be backing another image (or another portion of the same image). Images created with this flag must also be created with the `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT` flag.
- `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_MUTABLE_FORMAT_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` with a different format from the image.
- `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` of type `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE` or `VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY`.

If any of the bits `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT`, `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_RESIDENCY_BIT`, or `VK_IMAGE_CREATE_SPARSE_ALIASED_BIT` are set, `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` must not also be set.

See Sparse Resource Features and Sparse Physical Device Features for more details.

### 6.29.4 See Also

`VkImageCreateFlags`

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### 6.29.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageCreateFlagBits>

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## 6.30 VkImageLayout(3)

### 6.30.1 Name

VkImageLayout - Layout of image and image subresources

### 6.30.2 C Specification

The set of image layouts consists of:

```
typedef enum VkImageLayout {  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED = 0,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_GENERAL = 1,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OPTIMAL = 2,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_OPTIMAL = 3,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_DEPTH_STENCIL_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL = 4,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_SHADER_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL = 5,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL = 6,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL = 7,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PREINITIALIZED = 8,  
    VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PRESENT_SRC_KHR = 1000001002,  
} VkImageLayout;
```

### 6.30.3 Description

The type(s) of device access supported by each layout are:

- **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_UNDEFINED:** Supports no device access. This layout must only be used as the *initialLayout* member of *VkImageCreateInfo* or *VkAttachmentDescription*, or as the *oldLayout* in an image transition. When transitioning out of this layout, the contents of the memory are not guaranteed to be preserved.
- **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_PREINITIALIZED:** Supports no device access. This layout must only be used as the *initialLayout* member of *VkImageCreateInfo* or *VkAttachmentDescription*, or as the *oldLayout* in an image transition. When transitioning out of this layout, the contents of the memory are preserved. This layout is intended to be used as the initial layout for an image whose contents are written by the host, and hence the data can be written to memory immediately, without first executing a layout transition. Currently, **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_PREINITIALIZED** is only useful with **VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR** images because there is not a standard layout defined for **VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_OPTIMAL** images.
- **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_GENERAL:** Supports all types of device access.
- **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_OPTIMAL:** must only be used as a color or resolve attachment in a *VkFramebuffer*. This layout is valid only for image subresources of images created with the **VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_COLOR\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT** usage bit enabled.
- **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_ATTACHMENT\_OPTIMAL:** must only be used as a depth/stencil attachment in a *VkFramebuffer*. This layout is valid only for image subresources of images created with the **VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT** usage bit enabled.
- **VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_READ\_ONLY\_OPTIMAL:** must only be used as a read-only depth/stencil attachment in a *VkFramebuffer* and/or as a read-only image in a shader (which can be read as a sampled image, combined image/sampler and/or input attachment). This layout is valid only for image subresources of images created with the **VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT** usage bit enabled.

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- `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_SHADER_READ_ONLY_OPTIMAL`: must only be used as a read-only image in a shader (which can be read as a sampled image, combined image/sampler and/or input attachment). This layout is valid only for image subresources of images created with the `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT` or `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` usage bit enabled.
  - `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_SRC_OPTIMAL`: must only be used as a source image of a transfer command (see the definition of `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT`). This layout is valid only for image subresources of images created with the `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` usage bit enabled.
  - `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_TRANSFER_DST_OPTIMAL`: must only be used as a destination image of a transfer command. This layout is valid only for image subresources of images created with the `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` usage bit enabled.

For each mechanism of accessing an image in the API, there is a parameter or structure member that controls the image layout used to access the image. For transfer commands, this is a parameter to the command (see [?] and [?]). For use as a framebuffer attachment, this is a member in the substructures of the `VkRenderPassCreateInfo` (see `Render Pass`). For use in a descriptor set, this is a member in the `VkDescriptorImageInfo` structure (see [?]). At the time that any command buffer command accessing an image executes on any queue, the layouts of the image subresources that are accessed must all match the layout specified via the API controlling those accesses.

The image layout of each image subresource must be well-defined at each point in the image subresource's lifetime. This means that when performing a layout transition on the image subresource, the old layout value must either equal the current layout of the image subresource (at the time the transition executes), or else be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` (implying that the contents of the image subresource need not be preserved). The new layout used in a transition must not be `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PREINITIALIZED`.

#### 6.30.4 See Also

`VkAttachmentDescription`, `VkAttachmentReference`, `VkDescriptorImageInfo`, `VkImageCreateInfo`, `VkImageMemoryBarrier`, `vkCmdBlitImage`, `vkCmdClearColorImage`, `vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage`, `vkCmdCopyBufferToImage`, `vkCmdCopyImage`, `vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer`, `vkCmdResolveImage`

#### 6.30.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageLayout>

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## 6.31 VkImageTiling(3)

### 6.31.1 Name

VkImageTiling - Specifies the tiling arrangement of data in an image

### 6.31.2 C Specification

The tiling arrangement of data elements in an image is specified by `VkImageCreateInfo::tiling`, which must be one of the values

```
typedef enum VkImageTiling {  
    VK_IMAGE_TILING_OPTIMAL = 0,  
    VK_IMAGE_TILING_LINEAR = 1,  
} VkImageTiling;
```

### 6.31.3 Description

VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_OPTIMAL specifies optimal tiling (texels are laid out in an implementation-dependent arrangement, for more optimal memory access), and VK\_IMAGE\_TILING\_LINEAR specifies linear tiling (texels are laid out in memory in row-major order, possibly with some padding on each row).

### 6.31.4 See Also

`VkImageCreateInfo`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`,  
`vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties`

### 6.31.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageTiling>

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## 6.32 VkImageType(3)

### 6.32.1 Name

VkImageType - Specifies the type of an image object

### 6.32.2 C Specification

The basic dimensionality of an image is specified by `VkImageCreateInfo::imageType`, which must be one of the values

```
typedef enum VkImageType {  
    VK_IMAGE_TYPE_1D = 0,  
    VK_IMAGE_TYPE_2D = 1,  
    VK_IMAGE_TYPE_3D = 2,  
} VkImageType;
```

### 6.32.3 Description

These values specify one-, two-, or three-dimensional images, respectively.

### 6.32.4 See Also

`VkImageCreateInfo`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties`,  
`vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties`

### 6.32.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageType>

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## 6.33 VkImageUsageFlagBits(3)

### 6.33.1 Name

VkImageUsageFlagBits - Bitmask specifying intended usage of an image

### 6.33.2 C Specification

The intended usage of an image is specified by the bitmask `VkImageCreateInfo::usage`. Bits which can be set include:

```
typedef enum VkImageUsageFlagBits {
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_STORAGE_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000040,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x00000080,
} VkImageUsageFlagBits;
```

### 6.33.3 Description

These bits have the following meanings:

- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_SRC_BIT` indicates that the image can be used as the source of a transfer command.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSFER_DST_BIT` indicates that the image can be used as the destination of a transfer command.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_SAMPLED_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` suitable for occupying a `VkDescriptorSet` slot either of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_SAMPLED_IMAGE` or `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_COMBINED_IMAGE_SAMPLER`, and be sampled by a shader.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_STORAGE_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` suitable for occupying a `VkDescriptorSet` slot of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_STORAGE_IMAGE`.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` suitable for use as a color or resolve attachment in a `VkFramebuffer`.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` suitable for use as a depth/stencil attachment in a `VkFramebuffer`.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` indicates that the memory bound to this image will have been allocated with the `VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_LAZILY_ALLOCATED_BIT` (see [?] for more detail). This bit can be set for any image that can be used to create a `VkImageView` suitable for use as a color, resolve, depth/stencil, or input attachment.
- `VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT` indicates that the image can be used to create a `VkImageView` suitable for occupying `VkDescriptorSet` slot of type `VK_DESCRIPTOR_TYPE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT`; be read from a shader as an input attachment; and be used as an input attachment in a `framebuffer`.

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#### **6.33.4 See Also**

VkImageUsageFlags

#### **6.33.5 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageUsageFlagBits>

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## 6.34 VkImageViewType(3)

### 6.34.1 Name

VkImageViewType - Image view types

### 6.34.2 C Specification

The types of image views that can be created are:

```
typedef enum VkImageViewType {  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D = 0,  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D = 1,  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_3D = 2,  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE = 3,  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY = 4,  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY = 5,  
    VK_IMAGE_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY = 6,  
} VkImageViewType;
```

### 6.34.3 Description

The exact image view type is partially implicit, based on the image's type and sample count, as well as the view creation parameters as described in the table below. This table also shows which SPIR-V OpTypeImage Dim and Arrayed parameters correspond to each image view type.

### 6.34.4 See Also

VkImageViewCreateInfo

### 6.34.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageViewType>

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## 6.35 VkIndexType(3)

### 6.35.1 Name

VkIndexType - Type of index buffer indices

### 6.35.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkIndexType {  
    VK_INDEX_TYPE_UINT16 = 0,  
    VK_INDEX_TYPE_UINT32 = 1,  
} VkIndexType;
```

### 6.35.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkCmdBindIndexBuffer`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.35.4 See Also

`vkCmdBindIndexBuffer`

### 6.35.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkIndexType>

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## 6.36 VkInternalAllocationType(3)

### 6.36.1 Name

VkInternalAllocationType - Allocation type

### 6.36.2 C Specification

The *allocationType* parameter to the *pfnInternalAllocation* and *pfnInternalFree* functions may be one of the following values:

```
typedef enum VkInternalAllocationType {  
    VK_INTERNAL_ALLOCATION_TYPE_EXECUTABLE = 0,  
} VkInternalAllocationType;
```

### 6.36.3 Description

- VK\_INTERNAL\_ALLOCATION\_TYPE\_EXECUTABLE - The allocation is intended for execution by the host.

### 6.36.4 See Also

PFN\_vkInternalAllocationNotification, PFN\_vkInternalFreeNotification

### 6.36.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkInternalAllocationType>

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## 6.37 VkLogicOp(3)

### 6.37.1 Name

VkLogicOp - Framebuffer logical operations

### 6.37.2 C Specification

Logical operations are controlled by the *logicOpEnable* and *logicOp* members of *VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo*. If *logicOpEnable* is *VK\_TRUE*, then a logical operation selected by *logicOp* is applied between each color attachment and the fragment's corresponding output value, and blending of all attachments is treated as if it were disabled. Any attachments using color formats for which logical operations are not supported simply pass through the color values unmodified. The logical operation is applied independently for each of the red, green, blue, and alpha components. The *logicOp* is selected from the following operations:

```
typedef enum VkLogicOp {  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_CLEAR = 0,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_AND = 1,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_AND_REVERSE = 2,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_COPY = 3,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_AND_INVERTED = 4,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_NO_OP = 5,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_XOR = 6,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_OR = 7,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_NOR = 8,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_EQUIVALENT = 9,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_INVERT = 10,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_OR_REVERSE = 11,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_COPY_INVERTED = 12,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_OR_INVERTED = 13,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_NAND = 14,  
    VK_LOGIC_OP_SET = 15,  
} VkLogicOp;
```

### 6.37.3 Description

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The logical operations supported by Vulkan are summarized in the following table in which

- $\neg$  is bitwise invert,
- $\wedge$  is bitwise and,
- $\vee$  is bitwise or,
- $\oplus$  is bitwise exclusive or,
- $s$  is the fragment's  $R_{s0}$ ,  $G_{s0}$ ,  $B_{s0}$  or  $A_{s0}$  component value for the fragment output corresponding to the color attachment being updated, and
- $d$  is the color attachment's  $R$ ,  $G$ ,  $B$  or  $A$  component value:

Table 10: Logical Operations

| Mode                      | Operation          |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| VK_LOGIC_OP_CLEAR         | 0                  |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_AND           | $s \wedge d$       |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_AND_REVERSE   | $s \wedge \neg d$  |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_COPY          | $s$                |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_AND_INVERTED  | $\neg s \wedge d$  |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_NO_OP         | $d$                |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_XOR           | $s \oplus d$       |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_OR            | $s \vee d$         |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_NOR           | $\neg(s \vee d)$   |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_EQUIVALENT    | $\neg(s \oplus d)$ |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_INVERT        | $\neg d$           |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_OR_REVERSE    | $s \vee \neg d$    |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_COPY_INVERTED | $\neg s$           |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_OR_INVERTED   | $\neg s \vee d$    |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_NAND          | $\neg(s \wedge d)$ |
| VK_LOGIC_OP_SET           | all 1s             |

The result of the logical operation is then written to the color attachment as controlled by the component write mask, described in Blend Operations.

#### 6.37.4 See Also

VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo

#### 6.37.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkLogicOp>

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## 6.38 VkMemoryHeapFlagBits(3)

### 6.38.1 Name

VkMemoryHeapFlagBits - Bitmask specifying attribute flags for a heap

### 6.38.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkMemoryHeapFlagBits {  
    VK_MEMORY_HEAP_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkMemoryHeapFlagBits;
```

### 6.38.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkMemoryHeap`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.38.4 See Also

`VkMemoryHeapFlags`

### 6.38.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryHeapFlagBits>

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## 6.39 VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits(3)

### 6.39.1 Name

VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits - Bitmask specifying properties for a memory type

### 6.39.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits {  
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_DEVICE_LOCAL_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_VISIBLE_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_COHERENT_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_HOST_CACHED_BIT = 0x00000008,  
    VK_MEMORY_PROPERTY_LAZILY_ALLOCATED_BIT = 0x00000010,  
} VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits;
```

### 6.39.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkMemoryType`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.39.4 See Also

`VkMemoryPropertyFlags`

### 6.39.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits>

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## 6.40 VkPhysicalDeviceType(3)

### 6.40.1 Name

VkPhysicalDeviceType - Supported physical device types

### 6.40.2 C Specification

The physical devices types are:

```
typedef enum VkPhysicalDeviceType {  
    VK_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_TYPE_OTHER = 0,  
    VK_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_TYPE_INTEGRATED_GPU = 1,  
    VK_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_TYPE_DISCRETE_GPU = 2,  
    VK_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_TYPE_VIRTUAL_GPU = 3,  
    VK_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_TYPE_CPU = 4,  
} VkPhysicalDeviceType;
```

### 6.40.3 Description

- VK\_PHYSICAL\_DEVICE\_TYPE\_OTHER The device does not match any other available types.
- VK\_PHYSICAL\_DEVICE\_TYPE\_INTEGRATED\_GPU The device is typically one embedded in or tightly coupled with the host.
- VK\_PHYSICAL\_DEVICE\_TYPE\_DISCRETE\_GPU The device is typically a separate processor connected to the host via an interlink.
- VK\_PHYSICAL\_DEVICE\_TYPE\_VIRTUAL\_GPU The device is typically a virtual node in a virtualization environment.
- VK\_PHYSICAL\_DEVICE\_TYPE\_CPU The device is typically running on the same processors as the host.

The physical device type is advertised for informational purposes only, and does not directly affect the operation of the system. However, the device type may correlate with other advertised properties or capabilities of the system, such as how many memory heaps there are.

### 6.40.4 See Also

VkPhysicalDeviceProperties

### 6.40.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPhysicalDeviceType>

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## 6.41 VkPipelineBindPoint(3)

### 6.41.1 Name

VkPipelineBindPoint - Specify the bind point of a pipeline object to a command buffer

### 6.41.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkPipelineBindPoint {  
    VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_GRAPHICS = 0,  
    VK_PIPELINE_BIND_POINT_COMPUTE = 1,  
} VkPipelineBindPoint;
```

### 6.41.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkCmdBindPipeline`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.41.4 See Also

`VkSubpassDescription`, `vkCmdBindDescriptorSets`, `vkCmdBindPipeline`

### 6.41.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineBindPoint>

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## 6.42 VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion(3)

### 6.42.1 Name

VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion - Encode pipeline cache version

### 6.42.2 C Specification

The next four bytes encode the pipeline cache version. This field is interpreted as a VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion value, and must have one of the following values:

```
typedef enum VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion {  
    VK_PIPELINE_CACHE_HEADER_VERSION_ONE = 1,  
} VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion;
```

### 6.42.3 Description

A consumer of the pipeline cache should use the cache version to interpret the remainder of the cache header.

### 6.42.4 See Also

vkCreatePipelineCache, vkGetPipelineCacheData

### 6.42.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion>

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## 6.43 VkPipelineCreateFlagBits(3)

### 6.43.1 Name

VkPipelineCreateFlagBits - Bitmask controlling how a pipeline is generated

### 6.43.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkPipelineCreateFlagBits {  
    VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DISABLE_OPTIMIZATION_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_ALLOW_DERIVATIVES_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_PIPELINE_CREATE_DERIVATIVE_BIT = 0x00000004,  
} VkPipelineCreateFlagBits;
```

### 6.43.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.43.4 See Also

VkPipelineCreateFlags

### 6.43.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineCreateFlagBits>

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## 6.44 VkPipelineStageFlagBits(3)

### 6.44.1 Name

VkPipelineStageFlagBits - Bitmask specifying pipeline stages

### 6.44.2 C Specification

Several of the event commands, **vkCmdPipelineBarrier**, and **VkSubpassDependency** depend on being able to specify where in the logical pipeline events can be signaled, or the source and destination of an execution dependency. These pipeline stages are specified using a bitmask:

```
typedef enum VkPipelineStageFlagBits {
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TOP_OF_PIPE_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_DRAW_INDIRECT_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_VERTEX_INPUT_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_VERTEX_SHADER_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_GEOMETRY_SHADER_BIT = 0x00000040,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_FRAGMENT_SHADER_BIT = 0x00000080,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_EARLY_FRAGMENT_TESTS_BIT = 0x00000100,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_LATE_FRAGMENT_TESTS_BIT = 0x00000200,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OUTPUT_BIT = 0x00000400,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COMPUTE_SHADER_BIT = 0x00000800,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT = 0x00001000,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT = 0x00002000,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_HOST_BIT = 0x00004000,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS_BIT = 0x00008000,
    VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_COMMANDS_BIT = 0x00010000,
} VkPipelineStageFlagBits;
```

### 6.44.3 Description

The meaning of each bit is:

- **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TOP\_OF\_PIPE\_BIT**: Stage of the pipeline where commands are initially received by the queue.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_DRAW\_INDIRECT\_BIT**: Stage of the pipeline where **Draw/DispatchIndirect** data structures are consumed.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_VERTEX\_INPUT\_BIT**: Stage of the pipeline where vertex and index buffers are consumed.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_VERTEX\_SHADER\_BIT**: Vertex shader stage.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT**: Tessellation control shader stage.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_SHADER\_BIT**: Tessellation evaluation shader stage.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT**: Geometry shader stage.
  - **VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_FRAGMENT\_SHADER\_BIT**: Fragment shader stage.
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- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_EARLY_FRAGMENT_TESTS_BIT`: Stage of the pipeline where early fragment tests (depth and stencil tests before fragment shading) are performed.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_LATE_FRAGMENT_TESTS_BIT`: Stage of the pipeline where late fragment tests (depth and stencil tests after fragment shading) are performed.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OUTPUT_BIT`: Stage of the pipeline after blending where the final color values are output from the pipeline. This stage also includes resolve operations that occur at the end of a subpass. Note that this does not necessarily indicate that the values have been committed to memory.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_TRANSFER_BIT`: Execution of copy commands. This includes the operations resulting from all transfer commands. The set of transfer commands comprises `vkCmdCopyBuffer`, `vkCmdCopyImage`, `vkCmdBlitImage`, `vkCmdCopyBufferToImage`, `vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer`, `vkCmdUpdateBuffer`, `vkCmdFillBuffer`, `vkCmdClearColorImage`, `vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage`, `vkCmdResolveImage`, and `vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults`.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COMPUTE_SHADER_BIT`: Execution of a compute shader.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT`: Final stage in the pipeline where commands complete execution.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_HOST_BIT`: A pseudo-stage indicating execution on the host of reads/writes of device memory.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS_BIT`: Execution of all graphics pipeline stages.
- `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_COMMANDS_BIT`: Execution of all stages supported on the queue.

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**Note**

The `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_COMMANDS_BIT` and `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS_BIT` differ from `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT` in that they correspond to all (or all graphics) stages, rather than to a specific stage at the end of the pipeline. An execution dependency with only `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT` in *dstStageMask* will not delay subsequent commands, while including either of the other two bits will. Similarly, when defining a memory dependency, if the stage mask(s) refer to all stages, then the indicated access types from all stages will be made available and/or visible, but using only `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT` would not make any accesses available and/or visible because this stage does not access memory. The `VK_PIPELINE_STAGE_BOTTOM_OF_PIPE_BIT` is useful for accomplishing memory barriers and layout transitions when the next accesses will be done in a different queue or by a presentation engine; in these cases subsequent commands in the same queue do not need to wait, but the barrier or transition must complete before semaphores associated with the batch signal.

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#### 6.44.4 See Also

`VkPipelineStageFlags`, `vkCmdWriteTimestamp`

#### 6.44.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineStageFlagBits>

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## 6.45 VkPolygonMode(3)

### 6.45.1 Name

VkPolygonMode - Control polygon rasterization mode

### 6.45.2 C Specification

The method of rasterization for polygons is determined by the `VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo::polygonMode` property of the currently active pipeline, which takes the following values:

```
typedef enum VkPolygonMode {  
    VK_POLYGON_MODE_FILL = 0,  
    VK_POLYGON_MODE_LINE = 1,  
    VK_POLYGON_MODE_POINT = 2,  
} VkPolygonMode;
```

### 6.45.3 Description

The *polygonMode* selects which method of rasterization is used for polygons. If *polygonMode* is `VK_POLYGON_MODE_POINT`, then the vertices of polygons are treated, for rasterization purposes, as if they had been drawn as points. `VK_POLYGON_MODE_LINE` causes polygon edges to be drawn as line segments. `VK_POLYGON_MODE_FILL` causes polygons to render using the polygon rasterization rules in this section.

Note that these modes affect only the final rasterization of polygons: in particular, a polygon's vertices are shaded and the polygon is clipped and possibly culled before these modes are applied.

### 6.45.4 See Also

`VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo`

### 6.45.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPolygonMode>

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## 6.46 VkPrimitiveTopology(3)

### 6.46.1 Name

VkPrimitiveTopology - Supported primitive topologies

### 6.46.2 C Specification

*Primitive topology* determines how consecutive vertices are organized into primitives, and determines the type of primitive that is used at the beginning of the graphics pipeline. The effective topology for later stages of the pipeline is altered by tessellation or geometry shading (if either is in use) and depends on the execution modes of those shaders. Supported topologies are defined by `VkPrimitiveTopology` and include:

```
typedef enum VkPrimitiveTopology {
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_POINT_LIST = 0,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_LIST = 1,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_STRIP = 2,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_LIST = 3,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_STRIP = 4,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_FAN = 5,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_LIST_WITH_ADJACENCY = 6,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_LINE_STRIP_WITH_ADJACENCY = 7,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_LIST_WITH_ADJACENCY = 8,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_TRIANGLE_STRIP_WITH_ADJACENCY = 9,
    VK_PRIMITIVE_TOPOLOGY_PATCH_LIST = 10,
} VkPrimitiveTopology;
```

### 6.46.3 Description

### 6.46.4 See Also

VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo

### 6.46.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPrimitiveTopology>

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## 6.47 VkQueryControlFlagBits(3)

### 6.47.1 Name

VkQueryControlFlagBits - Bitmask specifying constraints on a query

### 6.47.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkQueryControlFlagBits {  
    VK_QUERY_CONTROL_PRECISE_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkQueryControlFlagBits;
```

### 6.47.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkCmdBeginQuery`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.47.4 See Also

VkQueryControlFlags

### 6.47.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryControlFlagBits>

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## 6.48 VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits(3)

### 6.48.1 Name

VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits - Bitmask specifying queried pipeline statistics

### 6.48.2 C Specification

Bits which can be set in *pipelineStatistics* include:

```
typedef enum VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits {
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_INPUT_ASSEMBLY_VERTICES_BIT = 0x00000001,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_INPUT_ASSEMBLY_PRIMITIVES_BIT = 0x00000002,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_VERTEX_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x00000004,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_GEOMETRY_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x00000008,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_GEOMETRY_SHADER_PRIMITIVES_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_CLIPPING_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_CLIPPING_PRIMITIVES_BIT = 0x00000040,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_FRAGMENT_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x00000080,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_PATCHES_BIT = 0x00000100,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x00000200,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_COMPUTE_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x00000400,
} VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits;
```

### 6.48.3 Description

These bits have the following meanings:

- If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_INPUT_ASSEMBLY_VERTICES_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of vertices processed by the input assembly stage. Vertices corresponding to incomplete primitives may contribute to the count.
- If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_INPUT_ASSEMBLY_PRIMITIVES_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of primitives processed by the input assembly stage. If primitive restart is enabled, restarting the primitive topology has no effect on the count. Incomplete primitives may be counted.
- If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_VERTEX_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of vertex shader invocations. This counter's value is incremented each time a vertex shader is invoked.
- If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_GEOMETRY_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of geometry shader invocations. This counter's value is incremented each time a geometry shader is invoked. In the case of instanced geometry shaders, the geometry shader invocations count is incremented for each separate instanced invocation.
- If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_GEOMETRY_SHADER_PRIMITIVES_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of primitives generated by geometry shader invocations. The counter's value is incremented each time the geometry shader emits a primitive. Restarting primitive topology using the SPIR-V instructions **OpEndPrimitive** or **OpEndStreamPrimitive** has no effect on the geometry shader output primitives count.

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- If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_CLIPPING_INVOCATIONS_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of primitives processed by the Primitive Clipping stage of the pipeline. The counter's value is incremented each time a primitive reaches the primitive clipping stage.
  - If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_CLIPPING_PRIMITIVES_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of primitives output by the Primitive Clipping stage of the pipeline. The counter's value is incremented each time a primitive passes the primitive clipping stage. The actual number of primitives output by the primitive clipping stage for a particular input primitive is implementation-dependent but must satisfy the following conditions:
    - If at least one vertex of the input primitive lies inside the clipping volume, the counter is incremented by one or more.
    - Otherwise, the counter is incremented by zero or more.
  - If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_FRAGMENT_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of fragment shader invocations. The counter's value is incremented each time the fragment shader is invoked.
  - If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_PATCHES_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of patches processed by the tessellation control shader. The counter's value is incremented once for each patch for which a tessellation control shader is invoked.
  - If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of invocations of the tessellation evaluation shader. The counter's value is incremented each time the tessellation evaluation shader is invoked.
  - If `VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_COMPUTE_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT` is set, queries managed by the pool will count the number of compute shader invocations. The counter's value is incremented every time the compute shader is invoked. Implementations may skip the execution of certain compute shader invocations or execute additional compute shader invocations for implementation-dependent reasons as long as the results of rendering otherwise remain unchanged.

These values are intended to measure relative statistics on one implementation. Various device architectures will count these values differently. Any or all counters may be affected by the issues described in Query Operation.

**Note**

For example, tile-based rendering devices may need to replay the scene multiple times, affecting some of the counts.

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If a pipeline has `rasterizerDiscardEnable` enabled, implementations may discard primitives after the final vertex processing stage. As a result, if `rasterizerDiscardEnable` is enabled, the clipping input and output primitives counters may not be incremented.

When a pipeline statistics query finishes, the result for that query is marked as available. The application can copy the result to a buffer (via `vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults`), or request it be put into host memory (via `vkGetQueryPoolResults`).

#### 6.48.4 See Also

`VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags`

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**6.48.5 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits>

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## 6.49 VkQueryResultFlagBits(3)

### 6.49.1 Name

VkQueryResultFlagBits - Bitmask specifying how and when query results are returned

### 6.49.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkQueryResultFlagBits {  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_64_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_WAIT_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_WITH_AVAILABILITY_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_QUERY_RESULT_PARTIAL_BIT = 0x00000008,  
} VkQueryResultFlagBits;
```

### 6.49.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkGetQueryPoolResults`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.49.4 See Also

VkQueryResultFlags

### 6.49.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryResultFlagBits>

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## 6.50 VkQueryType(3)

### 6.50.1 Name

VkQueryType - Specify the type of queries managed by a query pool

### 6.50.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkQueryType {  
    VK_QUERY_TYPE_OCCLUSION = 0,  
    VK_QUERY_TYPE_PIPELINE_STATISTICS = 1,  
    VK_QUERY_TYPE_TIMESTAMP = 2,  
} VkQueryType;
```

### 6.50.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkQueryPoolCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.50.4 See Also

`VkQueryPoolCreateInfo`

### 6.50.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryType>

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## 6.51 VkQueueFlagBits(3)

### 6.51.1 Name

VkQueueFlagBits - Bitmask specifying capabilities of queues in a queue family

### 6.51.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkQueueFlagBits {  
    VK_QUEUE_GRAPHICS_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_QUEUE_COMPUTE_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_QUEUE_TRANSFER_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_QUEUE_SPARSE_BINDING_BIT = 0x00000008,  
} VkQueueFlagBits;
```

### 6.51.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkQueueFamilyProperties`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.51.4 See Also

VkQueueFlags

### 6.51.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueueFlagBits>

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## 6.52 VkResult(3)

### 6.52.1 Name

VkResult - Vulkan command return codes

### 6.52.2 C Specification

While the core Vulkan API is not designed to capture incorrect usage, some circumstances still require return codes. Commands in Vulkan return their status via return codes that are in one of two categories:

- Successful completion codes are returned when a command needs to communicate success or status information. All successful completion codes are non-negative values.
- Run time error codes are returned when a command needs to communicate a failure that could only be detected at run time. All run time error codes are negative values.

All return codes in Vulkan are reported via `VkResult` return values. The possible codes are:

```
typedef enum VkResult {  
    VK_SUCCESS = 0,  
    VK_NOT_READY = 1,  
    VK_TIMEOUT = 2,  
    VK_EVENT_SET = 3,  
    VK_EVENT_RESET = 4,  
    VK_INCOMPLETE = 5,  
    VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY = -1,  
    VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY = -2,  
    VK_ERROR_INITIALIZATION_FAILED = -3,  
    VK_ERROR_DEVICE_LOST = -4,  
    VK_ERROR_MEMORY_MAP_FAILED = -5,  
    VK_ERROR_LAYER_NOT_PRESENT = -6,  
    VK_ERROR_EXTENSION_NOT_PRESENT = -7,  
    VK_ERROR_FEATURE_NOT_PRESENT = -8,  
    VK_ERROR_INCOMPATIBLE_DRIVER = -9,  
    VK_ERROR_TOO_MANY_OBJECTS = -10,  
    VK_ERROR_FORMAT_NOT_SUPPORTED = -11,  
    VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL = -12,  
    VK_ERROR_SURFACE_LOST_KHR = -1000000000,  
    VK_ERROR_NATIVE_WINDOW_IN_USE_KHR = -1000000001,  
    VK_SUBOPTIMAL_KHR = 1000001003,  
    VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DATE_KHR = -1000001004,  
    VK_ERROR_INCOMPATIBLE_DISPLAY_KHR = -1000003001,  
    VK_ERROR_VALIDATION_FAILED_EXT = -1000011001,  
    VK_ERROR_INVALID_SHADER_NV = -1000012000,  
} VkResult;
```

### 6.52.3 Description

#### SUCCESS CODES

- `VK_SUCCESS` Command successfully completed

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- `VK_NOT_READY` A fence or query has not yet completed
  - `VK_TIMEOUT` A wait operation has not completed in the specified time
  - `VK_EVENT_SET` An event is signaled
  - `VK_EVENT_RESET` An event is unsignaled
  - `VK_INCOMPLETE` A return array was too small for the result

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- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY` A host memory allocation has failed.
- `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DEVICE_MEMORY` A device memory allocation has failed.
- `VK_ERROR_INITIALIZATION_FAILED` Initialization of an object could not be completed for implementation-specific reasons.
- `VK_ERROR_DEVICE_LOST` The logical or physical device has been lost. See Lost Device
- `VK_ERROR_MEMORY_MAP_FAILED` Mapping of a memory object has failed.
- `VK_ERROR_LAYER_NOT_PRESENT` A requested layer is not present or could not be loaded.
- `VK_ERROR_EXTENSION_NOT_PRESENT` A requested extension is not supported.
- `VK_ERROR_FEATURE_NOT_PRESENT` A requested feature is not supported.
- `VK_ERROR_INCOMPATIBLE_DRIVER` The requested version of Vulkan is not supported by the driver or is otherwise incompatible for implementation-specific reasons.
- `VK_ERROR_TOO_MANY_OBJECTS` Too many objects of the type have already been created.
- `VK_ERROR_FORMAT_NOT_SUPPORTED` A requested format is not supported on this device.
- `VK_ERROR_FRAGMENTED_POOL` A requested pool allocation has failed due to fragmentation of the pool's memory.

If a command returns a run time error, it will leave any result pointers unmodified, unless other behavior is explicitly defined in the specification.

Out of memory errors do not damage any currently existing Vulkan objects. Objects that have already been successfully created can still be used by the application.

Performance-critical commands generally do not have return codes. If a run time error occurs in such commands, the implementation will defer reporting the error until a specified point. For commands that record into command buffers (`vkCmd*`) run time errors are reported by `vkEndCommandBuffer`.

#### 6.52.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

#### 6.52.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkResult>

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## 6.53 VkSampleCountFlagBits(3)

### 6.53.1 Name

VkSampleCountFlagBits - Bitmask specifying sample counts supported for an image used for storage operations

### 6.53.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkSampleCountFlagBits {  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_1_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_2_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_4_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_8_BIT = 0x00000008,  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_16_BIT = 0x00000010,  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_32_BIT = 0x00000020,  
    VK_SAMPLE_COUNT_64_BIT = 0x00000040,  
} VkSampleCountFlagBits;
```

### 6.53.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkPhysicalDeviceLimits`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.53.4 See Also

`VkAttachmentDescription`, `VkImageCreateInfo`, `VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo`, `VkSampleCountFlags`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties`

### 6.53.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSampleCountFlagBits>

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## 6.54 VkSamplerAddressMode(3)

### 6.54.1 Name

VkSamplerAddressMode - Specify behavior of sampling with texture coordinates outside an image

### 6.54.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkSamplerAddressMode {  
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_REPEAT = 0,  
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRRORED_REPEAT = 1,  
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_EDGE = 2,  
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_CLAMP_TO_BORDER = 3,  
    VK_SAMPLER_ADDRESS_MODE_MIRROR_CLAMP_TO_EDGE = 4,  
} VkSamplerAddressMode;
```

### 6.54.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSamplerCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.54.4 See Also

`VkSamplerCreateInfo`

### 6.54.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSamplerAddressMode>

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## 6.55 VkSamplerMipmapMode(3)

### 6.55.1 Name

VkSamplerMipmapMode - Specify mipmap mode used for texture lookups

### 6.55.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkSamplerMipmapMode {  
    VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_NEAREST = 0,  
    VK_SAMPLER_MIPMAP_MODE_LINEAR = 1,  
} VkSamplerMipmapMode;
```

### 6.55.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSamplerCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.55.4 See Also

`VkSamplerCreateInfo`

### 6.55.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSamplerMipmapMode>

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## 6.56 VkShaderStageFlagBits(3)

### 6.56.1 Name

VkShaderStageFlagBits - Bitmask specifying a pipeline stage

### 6.56.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkShaderStageFlagBits {  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_VERTEX_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_BIT = 0x00000004,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT = 0x00000008,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_FRAGMENT_BIT = 0x00000010,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_COMPUTE_BIT = 0x00000020,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS = 0x0000001F,  
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL = 0x7FFFFFFF,  
} VkShaderStageFlagBits;
```

### 6.56.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.56.4 See Also

`VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo`, `VkShaderStageFlags`

### 6.56.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkShaderStageFlagBits>

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## 6.57 VkSharingMode(3)

### 6.57.1 Name

VkSharingMode - Buffer and image sharing modes

### 6.57.2 C Specification

Buffer and image objects are created with a *sharing mode* controlling how they can be accessed from queues. The supported sharing modes are:

```
typedef enum VkSharingMode {  
    VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE = 0,  
    VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT = 1,  
} VkSharingMode;
```

### 6.57.3 Description

- `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE` specifies that access to any range or image subresource of the object will be exclusive to a single queue family at a time.
- `VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT` specifies that concurrent access to any range or image subresource of the object from multiple queue families is supported.



#### Note

`VK_SHARING_MODE_CONCURRENT` may result in lower performance access to the buffer or image than `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE`.

Ranges of buffers and image subresources of image objects created using `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE` must only be accessed by queues in the same queue family at any given time. In order for a different queue family to be able to interpret the memory contents of a range or image subresource, the application must transfer exclusive ownership of the range or image subresource between the source and destination queue families with the following sequence of operations:

1. Release exclusive ownership from the source queue family to the destination queue family.
2. Use semaphores to ensure proper execution control for the ownership transfer.
3. Acquire exclusive ownership for the destination queue family from the source queue family.

To release exclusive ownership of a range of a buffer or image subresource of an image object, the application must execute a buffer or image memory barrier, respectively (see `VkBufferMemoryBarrier` and `VkImageMemoryBarrier`) on a queue from the source queue family. The `srcQueueFamilyIndex` parameter of the barrier must be set to the source queue family index, and the `dstQueueFamilyIndex` parameter to the destination queue family index.

To acquire exclusive ownership, the application must execute the same buffer or image memory barrier on a queue from the destination queue family.

Upon creation, resources using `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE` are not owned by any queue family. A buffer or image memory barrier is not required to acquire ownership when no queue family owns the resource - it is implicitly

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acquired upon first use within a queue. However, images still require a layout transition from `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_UNDEFINED` or `VK_IMAGE_LAYOUT_PREINITIALIZED` before being used on the first queue. This layout transition can either be accomplished by an image memory barrier or by use in a render pass instance.

Once a queue family has used a range or image subresource of an `VK_SHARING_MODE_EXCLUSIVE` resource, its contents are undefined to other queue families unless ownership is transferred. The contents may also become undefined for other reasons, e.g. as a result of writes to an image subresource that aliases the same memory. A queue family can take ownership of a range or image subresource without an ownership transfer in the same way as for a resource that was just created, however doing so means any contents written by other queue families or via incompatible aliases are undefined.

#### **6.57.4 See Also**

`VkBufferCreateInfo`, `VkImageCreateInfo`

#### **6.57.5 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSharingMode>

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## 6.58 VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits(3)

### 6.58.1 Name

VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits - Bitmask specifying additional information about a sparse image resource

### 6.58.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits {  
    VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_SINGLE_MIPTAIL_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_ALIGNED_MIP_SIZE_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_SPARSE_IMAGE_FORMAT_NONSTANDARD_BLOCK_SIZE_BIT = 0x00000004,  
} VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits;
```

### 6.58.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSparseImageFormatProperties`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.58.4 See Also

`VkSparseImageFormatFlags`

### 6.58.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits>

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## 6.59 VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits(3)

### 6.59.1 Name

VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits - Bitmask specifying usage of a sparse memory binding operation

### 6.59.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits {  
    VK_SPARSE_MEMORY_BIND_METADATA_BIT = 0x00000001,  
} VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits;
```

### 6.59.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkSparseMemoryBind`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.59.4 See Also

`VkSparseMemoryBindFlags`

### 6.59.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits>

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## 6.60 VkStencilFaceFlagBits(3)

### 6.60.1 Name

VkStencilFaceFlagBits - Bitmask specifying sets of stencil state for which to update the compare mask

### 6.60.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkStencilFaceFlagBits {  
    VK_STENCIL_FACE_FRONT_BIT = 0x00000001,  
    VK_STENCIL_FACE_BACK_BIT = 0x00000002,  
    VK_STENCIL_FRONT_AND_BACK = 0x00000003,  
} VkStencilFaceFlagBits;
```

### 6.60.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.60.4 See Also

VkStencilFaceFlags

### 6.60.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkStencilFaceFlagBits>

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## 6.61 VkStencilOp(3)

### 6.61.1 Name

VkStencilOp - Stencil comparison function

### 6.61.2 C Specification

As described earlier, the *failOp*, *passOp*, and *depthFailOp* members of *VkStencilOpState* indicate what happens to the stored stencil value if this or certain subsequent tests fail or pass. Each enum is of type *VkStencilOp*, which is defined as:

```
typedef enum VkStencilOp {  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_KEEP = 0,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_ZERO = 1,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_REPLACE = 2,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_INCREMENT_AND_CLAMP = 3,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_DECREMENT_AND_CLAMP = 4,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_INVERT = 5,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_INCREMENT_AND_WRAP = 6,  
    VK_STENCIL_OP_DECREMENT_AND_WRAP = 7,  
} VkStencilOp;
```

### 6.61.3 Description

The possible values are:

- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_KEEP* keeps the current value.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_ZERO* sets the value to 0.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_REPLACE* sets the value to *reference*.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_INCREMENT\_AND\_CLAMP* increments the current value and clamps to the maximum representable unsigned value.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_DECREMENT\_AND\_CLAMP* decrements the current value and clamps to 0.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_INVERT* bitwise-inverts the current value.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_INCREMENT\_AND\_WRAP* increments the current value and wraps to 0 when the maximum value would have been exceeded.
- *VK\_STENCIL\_OP\_DECREMENT\_AND\_WRAP* decrements the current value and wraps to the maximum possible value when the value would go below 0.

For purposes of increment and decrement, the stencil bits are considered as an unsigned integer.

If the stencil test fails, the sample's coverage bit is cleared in the fragment. If there is no stencil framebuffer attachment, stencil modification cannot occur, and it is as if the stencil tests always pass.

If the stencil test passes, the *writeMask* member of the *VkStencilOpState* structures controls how the updated stencil value is written to the stencil framebuffer attachment.

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The least significant  $s$  bits of *writeMask*, where  $s$  is the number of bits in the stencil framebuffer attachment, specify an integer mask. Where a 1 appears in this mask, the corresponding bit in the stencil value in the depth/stencil attachment is written; where a 0 appears, the bit is not written. The *writeMask* value uses either the front-facing or back-facing state based on the facing-ness of the fragment. Fragments generated by front-facing primitives use the front mask and fragments generated by back-facing primitives use the back mask.

#### 6.61.4 See Also

VkStencilOpState

#### 6.61.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkStencilOp>

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## 6.62 VkStructureType(3)

### 6.62.1 Name

VkStructureType - Vulkan structure types (*sType*)

### 6.62.2 C Specification

Vulkan structures containing *sType* members must have a value of *sType* matching the type of the structure, as described more fully in Valid Usage for Structure Types. Structure types supported by the Vulkan API include:

```
typedef enum VkStructureType {
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_APPLICATION_INFO = 0,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_INSTANCE_CREATE_INFO = 1,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEVICE_QUEUE_CREATE_INFO = 2,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEVICE_CREATE_INFO = 3,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SUBMIT_INFO = 4,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_MEMORY_ALLOCATE_INFO = 5,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_MAPPED_MEMORY_RANGE = 6,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BIND_SPARSE_INFO = 7,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_FENCE_CREATE_INFO = 8,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SEMAPHORE_CREATE_INFO = 9,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_EVENT_CREATE_INFO = 10,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_QUERY_POOL_CREATE_INFO = 11,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BUFFER_CREATE_INFO = 12,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BUFFER_VIEW_CREATE_INFO = 13,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMAGE_CREATE_INFO = 14,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMAGE_VIEW_CREATE_INFO = 15,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SHADER_MODULE_CREATE_INFO = 16,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_CACHE_CREATE_INFO = 17,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_SHADER_STAGE_CREATE_INFO = 18,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_VERTEX_INPUT_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 19,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_INPUT_ASSEMBLY_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 20,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_TESSELLATION_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 21,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_VIEWPORT_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 22,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_RASTERIZATION_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 23,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_MULTISAMPLE_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 24,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_DEPTH_STENCIL_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 25,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_COLOR_BLEND_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 26,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_DYNAMIC_STATE_CREATE_INFO = 27,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_GRAPHICS_PIPELINE_CREATE_INFO = 28,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMPUTE_PIPELINE_CREATE_INFO = 29,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_LAYOUT_CREATE_INFO = 30,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SAMPLER_CREATE_INFO = 31,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DESCRIPTOR_SET_LAYOUT_CREATE_INFO = 32,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DESCRIPTOR_POOL_CREATE_INFO = 33,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DESCRIPTOR_SET_ALLOCATE_INFO = 34,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_WRITE_DESCRIPTOR_SET = 35,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COPY_DESCRIPTOR_SET = 36,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_FRAMEBUFFER_CREATE_INFO = 37,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_RENDER_PASS_CREATE_INFO = 38,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_INFO = 39,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_BUFFER_ALLOCATE_INFO = 40,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_BUFFER_INHERITANCE_INFO = 41,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_BUFFER_BEGIN_INFO = 42,
    VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_RENDER_PASS_BEGIN_INFO = 43,
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VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_BUFFER_MEMORY_BARRIER = 44,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMAGE_MEMORY_BARRIER = 45,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_MEMORY_BARRIER = 46,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_LOADER_INSTANCE_CREATE_INFO = 47,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_LOADER_DEVICE_CREATE_INFO = 48,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SWAPCHAIN_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000001000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PRESENT_INFO_KHR = 1000001001,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DISPLAY_MODE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000002000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DISPLAY_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000002001,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DISPLAY_PRESENT_INFO_KHR = 1000003000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_XLIB_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000004000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_XCB_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000005000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_WAYLAND_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000006000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_MIR_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000007000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_ANDROID_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000008000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_WIN32_SURFACE_CREATE_INFO_KHR = 1000009000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEBUG_REPORT_CALLBACK_CREATE_INFO_EXT = 1000011000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PIPELINE_RASTERIZATION_STATE_RASTERIZATION_ORDER_AMD = ←
    1000018000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEBUG_MARKER_OBJECT_NAME_INFO_EXT = 1000022000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEBUG_MARKER_OBJECT_TAG_INFO_EXT = 1000022001,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEBUG_MARKER_MARKER_INFO_EXT = 1000022002,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEDICATED_ALLOCATION_IMAGE_CREATE_INFO_NV = 1000026000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEDICATED_ALLOCATION_BUFFER_CREATE_INFO_NV = 1000026001,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_DEDICATED_ALLOCATION_MEMORY_ALLOCATE_INFO_NV = 1000026002,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_EXTERNAL_MEMORY_IMAGE_CREATE_INFO_NV = 1000056000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_EXPORT_MEMORY_ALLOCATE_INFO_NV = 1000056001,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_IMPORT_MEMORY_WIN32_HANDLE_INFO_NV = 1000057000,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_EXPORT_MEMORY_WIN32_HANDLE_INFO_NV = 1000057001,
VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_WIN32_KEYED_MUTEX_ACQUIRE_RELEASE_INFO_NV = 1000058000,
} VkStructureType;

```

### 6.62.3 Description

### 6.62.4 See Also

[VkApplicationInfo](#), [VkBindSparseInfo](#), [VkBufferCreateInfo](#), [VkBufferMemoryBarrier](#),  
[VkBufferViewCreateInfo](#), [VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo](#), [VkCommandBufferBeginInfo](#),  
[VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo](#), [VkCommandPoolCreateInfo](#),  
[VkComputePipelineCreateInfo](#), [VkCopyDescriptorSet](#), [VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo](#),  
[VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo](#), [VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo](#), [VkDeviceCreateInfo](#),  
[VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo](#), [VkEventCreateInfo](#), [VkFenceCreateInfo](#),  
[VkFramebufferCreateInfo](#), [VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo](#), [VkImageCreateInfo](#),  
[VkImageMemoryBarrier](#), [VkImageViewCreateInfo](#), [VkInstanceCreateInfo](#),  
[VkMappedMemoryRange](#), [VkMemoryAllocateInfo](#), [VkMemoryBarrier](#),  
[VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo](#), [VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo](#),  
[VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo](#), [VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo](#),  
[VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo](#), [VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo](#),  
[VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo](#), [VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo](#),  
[VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo](#), [VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo](#),  
[VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo](#), [VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo](#),  
[VkQueryPoolCreateInfo](#), [VkRenderPassBeginInfo](#), [VkRenderPassCreateInfo](#),  
[VkSamplerCreateInfo](#), [VkSemaphoreCreateInfo](#), [VkShaderModuleCreateInfo](#), [VkSubmitInfo](#),  
[VkWriteDescriptorSet](#)

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#### **6.62.5 Document Notes**

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkStructureType>

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## 6.63 VkSubpassContents(3)

### 6.63.1 Name

VkSubpassContents - Specify how commands in the first subpass of a render pass are provided

### 6.63.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkSubpassContents {  
    VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_INLINE = 0,  
    VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS = 1,  
} VkSubpassContents;
```

### 6.63.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `vkCmdBeginRenderPass`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.63.4 See Also

`vkCmdBeginRenderPass`, `vkCmdNextSubpass`

### 6.63.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSubpassContents>

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## 6.64 VkSystemAllocationScope(3)

### 6.64.1 Name

VkSystemAllocationScope - Allocation scope

### 6.64.2 C Specification

Each allocation has a *scope* which defines its lifetime and which object it is associated with. The scope is provided in the *allocationScope* parameter passed to callbacks defined in *VkAllocationCallbacks*. Possible values for this parameter are defined by *VkSystemAllocationScope*:

```
typedef enum VkSystemAllocationScope {  
    VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_COMMAND = 0,  
    VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_OBJECT = 1,  
    VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_CACHE = 2,  
    VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_DEVICE = 3,  
    VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_INSTANCE = 4,  
} VkSystemAllocationScope;
```

### 6.64.3 Description

- *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_COMMAND* - The allocation is scoped to the duration of the Vulkan command.
- *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_OBJECT* - The allocation is scoped to the lifetime of the Vulkan object that is being created or used.
- *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_CACHE* - The allocation is scoped to the lifetime of a *VkPipelineCache* object.
- *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_DEVICE* - The allocation is scoped to the lifetime of the Vulkan device.
- *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_INSTANCE* - The allocation is scoped to the lifetime of the Vulkan instance.

Most Vulkan commands operate on a single object, or there is a sole object that is being created or manipulated. When an allocation uses a scope of *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_OBJECT* or *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_CACHE*, the allocation is scoped to the object being created or manipulated.

When an implementation requires host memory, it will make callbacks to the application using the most specific allocator and scope available:

- If an allocation is scoped to the duration of a command, the allocator will use the *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_COMMAND* scope. The most specific allocator available is used: if the object being created or manipulated has an allocator, that object's allocator will be used, else if the parent *VkDevice* has an allocator it will be used, else if the parent *VkInstance* has an allocator it will be used. Else,
  - If an allocation is associated with an object of type *VkPipelineCache*, the allocator will use the *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_CACHE* scope. The most specific allocator available is used (pipeline cache, else device, else instance). Else,
  - If an allocation is scoped to the lifetime of an object, that object is being created or manipulated by the command, and that object's type is not *VkDevice* or *VkInstance*, the allocator will use a scope of *VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_OBJECT*. The most specific allocator available is used (object, else device, else instance). Else,
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- If an allocation is scoped to the lifetime of a device, the allocator will use scope of `VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_DEVICE`. The most specific allocator available is used (device, else instance). Else,
- If the allocation is scoped to the lifetime of an instance and the instance has an allocator, its allocator will be used with a scope of `VK_SYSTEM_ALLOCATION_SCOPE_INSTANCE`.
- Otherwise an implementation will allocate memory through an alternative mechanism that is unspecified.

#### 6.64.4 See Also

`VkAllocationCallbacks`

#### 6.64.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSystemAllocationScope>

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## 6.65 VkVertexInputRate(3)

### 6.65.1 Name

VkVertexInputRate - Specify rate at which vertex attributes are pulled from buffers

### 6.65.2 C Specification

```
typedef enum VkVertexInputRate {  
    VK_VERTEX_INPUT_RATE_VERTEX = 0,  
    VK_VERTEX_INPUT_RATE_INSTANCE = 1,  
} VkVertexInputRate;
```

### 6.65.3 Description

For more information, see:

- The reference page for `VkVertexInputBindingDescription`, where this interface is defined.
- The See Also section for other reference pages using this type.
- The Vulkan Specification.

### 6.65.4 See Also

`VkVertexInputBindingDescription`

### 6.65.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkVertexInputRate>

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## 7 Flags

### 7.1 VkAccessFlags(3)

#### 7.1.1 Name

VkAccessFlags - Bitmask of VkAccessFlagBits

#### 7.1.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkAccessFlags;
```

#### 7.1.3 Description

VkAccessFlags is a mask of zero or more VkAccessFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

#### 7.1.4 See Also

VkAccessFlagBits, VkBufferMemoryBarrier, VkImageMemoryBarrier, VkMemoryBarrier, VkSubpassDependency

#### 7.1.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAccessFlags>

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## 7.2 VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags(3)

### 7.2.1 Name

VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags - Bitmask of VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits

### 7.2.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags;
```

### 7.2.3 Description

VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags is a mask of zero or more VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.2.4 See Also

VkAttachmentDescription, VkAttachmentDescriptionFlagBits

### 7.2.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkAttachmentDescriptionFlags>

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## 7.3 VkBufferCreateFlags(3)

### 7.3.1 Name

VkBufferCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkBufferCreateFlagBits

### 7.3.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkBufferCreateFlags;
```

### 7.3.3 Description

VkBufferCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkBufferCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.3.4 See Also

VkBufferCreateFlagBits, VkBufferCreateInfo

### 7.3.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferCreateFlags>

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## 7.4 VkBufferUsageFlags(3)

### 7.4.1 Name

VkBufferUsageFlags - Bitmask of VkBufferUsageFlagBits

### 7.4.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkBufferUsageFlags;
```

### 7.4.3 Description

VkBufferUsageFlags is a mask of zero or more VkBufferUsageFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.4.4 See Also

VkBufferCreateInfo, VkBufferUsageFlagBits

### 7.4.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferUsageFlags>

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## 7.5 VkBufferViewCreateFlags(3)

### 7.5.1 Name

VkBufferViewCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkBufferViewCreateFlagBits

### 7.5.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkBufferViewCreateFlags;
```

### 7.5.3 Description

VkBufferViewCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkBufferViewCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.5.4 See Also

VkBufferViewCreateInfo

### 7.5.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBufferViewCreateFlags>

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## 7.6 VkColorComponentFlags(3)

### 7.6.1 Name

VkColorComponentFlags - Bitmask of VkColorComponentFlagBits

### 7.6.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkColorComponentFlags;
```

### 7.6.3 Description

VkColorComponentFlags is a mask of zero or more VkColorComponentFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.6.4 See Also

VkColorComponentFlagBits, VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState

### 7.6.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkColorComponentFlags>

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## 7.7 VkCommandBufferResetFlags(3)

### 7.7.1 Name

VkCommandBufferResetFlags - Bitmask of VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits

### 7.7.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkCommandBufferResetFlags;
```

### 7.7.3 Description

VkCommandBufferResetFlags is a mask of zero or more VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.7.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits, vkResetCommandBuffer

### 7.7.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferResetFlags>

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## 7.8 VkCommandBufferUsageFlags(3)

### 7.8.1 Name

VkCommandBufferUsageFlags - Bitmask of VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits

### 7.8.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkCommandBufferUsageFlags;
```

### 7.8.3 Description

VkCommandBufferUsageFlags is a mask of zero or more VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.8.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferBeginInfo, VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits

### 7.8.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandBufferUsageFlags>

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## 7.9 VkCommandPoolCreateFlags(3)

### 7.9.1 Name

VkCommandPoolCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits

### 7.9.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkCommandPoolCreateFlags;
```

### 7.9.3 Description

VkCommandPoolCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.9.4 See Also

VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits, VkCommandPoolCreateInfo

### 7.9.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandPoolCreateFlags>

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## 7.10 VkCommandPoolResetFlags(3)

### 7.10.1 Name

VkCommandPoolResetFlags - Bitmask of VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits

### 7.10.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkCommandPoolResetFlags;
```

### 7.10.3 Description

VkCommandPoolResetFlags is a mask of zero or more VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.10.4 See Also

VkCommandPoolResetFlagBits, vkResetCommandPool

### 7.10.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCommandPoolResetFlags>

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## 7.11 VkCullModeFlags(3)

### 7.11.1 Name

VkCullModeFlags - Bitmask of VkCullModeFlagBits

### 7.11.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkCullModeFlags;
```

### 7.11.3 Description

VkCullModeFlags is a mask of zero or more VkCullModeFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.11.4 See Also

VkCullModeFlagBits, VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo

### 7.11.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkCullModeFlags>

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## 7.12 VkDependencyFlags(3)

### 7.12.1 Name

VkDependencyFlags - Bitmask of VkDependencyFlagBits

### 7.12.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkDependencyFlags;
```

### 7.12.3 Description

VkDependencyFlags is a mask of zero or more VkDependencyFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.12.4 See Also

VkDependencyFlagBits, VkSubpassDependency, vkCmdPipelineBarrier

### 7.12.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDependencyFlags>

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## 7.13 VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags(3)

### 7.13.1 Name

VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits

### 7.13.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags;
```

### 7.13.3 Description

VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.13.4 See Also

VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlagBits, VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo

### 7.13.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorPoolCreateFlags>

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## 7.14 VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags(3)

### 7.14.1 Name

VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags - Bitmask of VkDescriptorPoolResetFlagBits

### 7.14.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags;
```

### 7.14.3 Description

VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags is a mask of zero or more VkDescriptorPoolResetFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.14.4 See Also

vkResetDescriptorPool

### 7.14.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorPoolResetFlags>

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## 7.15 VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags(3)

### 7.15.1 Name

VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlagBits

### 7.15.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags;
```

### 7.15.3 Description

VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.15.4 See Also

VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateInfo

### 7.15.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags>

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## 7.16 VkDeviceCreateFlags(3)

### 7.16.1 Name

VkDeviceCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkDeviceCreateFlagBits

### 7.16.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkDeviceCreateFlags;
```

### 7.16.3 Description

VkDeviceCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkDeviceCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.16.4 See Also

VkDeviceCreateInfo

### 7.16.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDeviceCreateFlags>

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## 7.17 VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags(3)

### 7.17.1 Name

VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkDeviceQueueCreateFlagBits

### 7.17.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags;
```

### 7.17.3 Description

VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkDeviceQueueCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.17.4 See Also

VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo

### 7.17.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags>

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## 7.18 VkEventCreateFlags(3)

### 7.18.1 Name

VkEventCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkEventCreateFlagBits

### 7.18.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkEventCreateFlags;
```

### 7.18.3 Description

VkEventCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkEventCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.18.4 See Also

VkEventCreateInfo

### 7.18.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkEventCreateFlags>

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## 7.19 VkFenceCreateFlags(3)

### 7.19.1 Name

VkFenceCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkFenceCreateFlagBits

### 7.19.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkFenceCreateFlags;
```

### 7.19.3 Description

VkFenceCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkFenceCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.19.4 See Also

VkFenceCreateFlagBits, VkFenceCreateInfo

### 7.19.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFenceCreateFlags>

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## 7.20 VkFormatFeatureFlags(3)

### 7.20.1 Name

VkFormatFeatureFlags - Bitmask of VkFormatFeatureFlagBits

### 7.20.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkFormatFeatureFlags;
```

### 7.20.3 Description

VkFormatFeatureFlags is a mask of zero or more VkFormatFeatureFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.20.4 See Also

VkFormatFeatureFlagBits, VkFormatProperties

### 7.20.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFormatFeatureFlags>

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## 7.21 VkFramebufferCreateFlags(3)

### 7.21.1 Name

VkFramebufferCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkFramebufferCreateFlagBits

### 7.21.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkFramebufferCreateFlags;
```

### 7.21.3 Description

VkFramebufferCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkFramebufferCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.21.4 See Also

VkFramebufferCreateInfo

### 7.21.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFramebufferCreateFlags>

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## 7.22 VkImageAspectFlags(3)

### 7.22.1 Name

VkImageAspectFlags - Bitmask of VkImageAspectFlagBits

### 7.22.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkImageAspectFlags;
```

### 7.22.3 Description

VkImageAspectFlags is a mask of zero or more VkImageAspectFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.22.4 See Also

VkClearAttachment, VkImageAspectFlagBits, VkImageSubresource, VkImageSubresourceLayers, VkImageSubresourceRange, VkSparseImageFormatProperties

### 7.22.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageAspectFlags>

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## 7.23 VkImageCreateFlags(3)

### 7.23.1 Name

VkImageCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkImageCreateFlagBits

### 7.23.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkImageCreateFlags;
```

### 7.23.3 Description

VkImageCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkImageCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.23.4 See Also

VkImageCreateFlagBits, VkImageCreateInfo, vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties

### 7.23.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageCreateFlags>

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## 7.24 VkImageUsageFlags(3)

### 7.24.1 Name

VkImageUsageFlags - Bitmask of VkImageUsageFlagBits

### 7.24.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkImageUsageFlags;
```

### 7.24.3 Description

VkImageUsageFlags is a mask of zero or more VkImageUsageFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.24.4 See Also

VkImageCreateInfo, VkImageUsageFlagBits, vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties, vkGetPhysicalDeviceSparseImageFormatProperties

### 7.24.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageUsageFlags>

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## 7.25 VkImageViewCreateFlags(3)

### 7.25.1 Name

VkImageViewCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkImageViewCreateFlagBits

### 7.25.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkImageViewCreateFlags;
```

### 7.25.3 Description

VkImageViewCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkImageViewCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.25.4 See Also

VkImageViewCreateInfo

### 7.25.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkImageViewCreateFlags>

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## 7.26 VkInstanceCreateFlags(3)

### 7.26.1 Name

VkInstanceCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkInstanceCreateFlagBits

### 7.26.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkInstanceCreateFlags;
```

### 7.26.3 Description

VkInstanceCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkInstanceCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.26.4 See Also

VkInstanceCreateInfo

### 7.26.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkInstanceCreateFlags>

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## 7.27 VkMemoryHeapFlags(3)

### 7.27.1 Name

VkMemoryHeapFlags - Bitmask of VkMemoryHeapFlagBits

### 7.27.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkMemoryHeapFlags;
```

### 7.27.3 Description

VkMemoryHeapFlags is a mask of zero or more VkMemoryHeapFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.27.4 See Also

VkMemoryHeap, VkMemoryHeapFlagBits

### 7.27.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryHeapFlags>

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## 7.28 VkMemoryMapFlags(3)

### 7.28.1 Name

VkMemoryMapFlags - Bitmask of VkMemoryMapFlagBits

### 7.28.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkMemoryMapFlags;
```

### 7.28.3 Description

VkMemoryMapFlags is a mask of zero or more VkMemoryMapFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.28.4 See Also

vkMapMemory

### 7.28.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryMapFlags>

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## 7.29 VkMemoryPropertyFlags(3)

### 7.29.1 Name

VkMemoryPropertyFlags - Bitmask of VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits

### 7.29.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkMemoryPropertyFlags;
```

### 7.29.3 Description

VkMemoryPropertyFlags is a mask of zero or more VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.29.4 See Also

VkMemoryPropertyFlagBits, VkMemoryType

### 7.29.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkMemoryPropertyFlags>

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## 7.30 VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags(3)

### 7.30.1 Name

VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineCacheCreateFlagBits

### 7.30.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags;
```

### 7.30.3 Description

VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineCacheCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.30.4 See Also

VkPipelineCacheCreateInfo

### 7.30.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags>

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## 7.31 VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.31.1 Name

VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.31.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.31.3 Description

VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.31.4 See Also

VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo

### 7.31.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.32 VkPipelineCreateFlags(3)

### 7.32.1 Name

VkPipelineCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineCreateFlagBits

### 7.32.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineCreateFlags;
```

### 7.32.3 Description

VkPipelineCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.32.4 See Also

VkComputePipelineCreateInfo, VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, VkPipelineCreateFlagBits

### 7.32.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineCreateFlags>

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## 7.33 VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.33.1 Name

VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.33.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.33.3 Description

VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.33.4 See Also

VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo

### 7.33.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.34 VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.34.1 Name

VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.34.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.34.3 Description

VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.34.4 See Also

VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateInfo

### 7.34.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.35 VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.35.1 Name

VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.35.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.35.3 Description

VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.35.4 See Also

VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo

### 7.35.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.36 VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags(3)

### 7.36.1 Name

VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlagBits

### 7.36.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags;
```

### 7.36.3 Description

VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.36.4 See Also

VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo

### 7.36.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags>

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## 7.37 VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.37.1 Name

VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.37.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.37.3 Description

VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.37.4 See Also

VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo

### 7.37.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.38 VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.38.1 Name

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.38.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.38.3 Description

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.38.4 See Also

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo

### 7.38.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.39 VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags(3)

### 7.39.1 Name

VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlagBits

### 7.39.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags;
```

### 7.39.3 Description

VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.39.4 See Also

VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo

### 7.39.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags>

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## 7.40 VkPipelineStageFlags(3)

### 7.40.1 Name

VkPipelineStageFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineStageFlagBits

### 7.40.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineStageFlags;
```

### 7.40.3 Description

VkPipelineStageFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineStageFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.40.4 See Also

VkPipelineStageFlagBits, VkSubmitInfo, VkSubpassDependency, vkCmdPipelineBarrier, vkCmdResetEvent, vkCmdSetEvent, vkCmdWaitEvents

### 7.40.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineStageFlags>

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## 7.41 VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.41.1 Name

VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.41.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.41.3 Description

VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.41.4 See Also

VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateInfo

### 7.41.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.42 VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.42.1 Name

VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.42.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.42.3 Description

VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.42.4 See Also

VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo

### 7.42.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.43 VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.43.1 Name

VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlagBits

### 7.43.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags;
```

### 7.43.3 Description

VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.43.4 See Also

VkPipelineViewportStateCreateInfo

### 7.43.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkPipelineViewportStateCreateFlags>

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## 7.44 VkQueryControlFlags(3)

### 7.44.1 Name

VkQueryControlFlags - Bitmask of VkQueryControlFlagBits

### 7.44.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkQueryControlFlags;
```

### 7.44.3 Description

VkQueryControlFlags is a mask of zero or more VkQueryControlFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.44.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo, VkQueryControlFlagBits, vkCmdBeginQuery

### 7.44.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryControlFlags>

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## 7.45 VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags(3)

### 7.45.1 Name

VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags - Bitmask of VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits

### 7.45.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags;
```

### 7.45.3 Description

VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags is a mask of zero or more VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.45.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo, VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits, VkQueryPoolCreateInfo

### 7.45.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlags>

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## 7.46 VkQueryPoolCreateFlags(3)

### 7.46.1 Name

VkQueryPoolCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkQueryPoolCreateFlagBits

### 7.46.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkQueryPoolCreateFlags;
```

### 7.46.3 Description

VkQueryPoolCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkQueryPoolCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.46.4 See Also

VkQueryPoolCreateInfo

### 7.46.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryPoolCreateFlags>

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## 7.47 VkQueryResultFlags(3)

### 7.47.1 Name

VkQueryResultFlags - Bitmask of VkQueryResultFlagBits

### 7.47.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkQueryResultFlags;
```

### 7.47.3 Description

VkQueryResultFlags is a mask of zero or more VkQueryResultFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.47.4 See Also

VkQueryResultFlagBits, vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults, vkGetQueryPoolResults

### 7.47.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryResultFlags>

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## 7.48 VkQueueFlags(3)

### 7.48.1 Name

VkQueueFlags - Bitmask of VkQueueFlagBits

### 7.48.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkQueueFlags;
```

### 7.48.3 Description

VkQueueFlags is a mask of zero or more VkQueueFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.48.4 See Also

VkQueueFamilyProperties, VkQueueFlagBits

### 7.48.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueueFlags>

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## 7.49 VkRenderPassCreateFlags(3)

### 7.49.1 Name

VkRenderPassCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkRenderPassCreateFlagBits

### 7.49.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkRenderPassCreateFlags;
```

### 7.49.3 Description

VkRenderPassCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkRenderPassCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.49.4 See Also

VkRenderPassCreateInfo

### 7.49.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkRenderPassCreateFlags>

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## 7.50 VkSampleCountFlags(3)

### 7.50.1 Name

VkSampleCountFlags - Bitmask of VkSampleCountFlagBits

### 7.50.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkSampleCountFlags;
```

### 7.50.3 Description

VkSampleCountFlags is a mask of zero or more VkSampleCountFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.50.4 See Also

VkImageFormatProperties, VkPhysicalDeviceLimits, VkSampleCountFlagBits

### 7.50.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSampleCountFlags>

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## 7.51 VkSamplerCreateFlags(3)

### 7.51.1 Name

VkSamplerCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkSamplerCreateFlagBits

### 7.51.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkSamplerCreateFlags;
```

### 7.51.3 Description

VkSamplerCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkSamplerCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.51.4 See Also

VkSamplerCreateInfo

### 7.51.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSamplerCreateFlags>

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## 7.52 VkSemaphoreCreateFlags(3)

### 7.52.1 Name

VkSemaphoreCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkSemaphoreCreateFlagBits

### 7.52.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkSemaphoreCreateFlags;
```

### 7.52.3 Description

VkSemaphoreCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkSemaphoreCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.52.4 See Also

VkSemaphoreCreateInfo

### 7.52.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSemaphoreCreateFlags>

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## 7.53 VkShaderModuleCreateFlags(3)

### 7.53.1 Name

VkShaderModuleCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkShaderModuleCreateFlagBits

### 7.53.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkShaderModuleCreateFlags;
```

### 7.53.3 Description

VkShaderModuleCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more VkShaderModuleCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.53.4 See Also

VkShaderModuleCreateInfo

### 7.53.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkShaderModuleCreateFlags>

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## 7.54 VkShaderStageFlags(3)

### 7.54.1 Name

VkShaderStageFlags - Bitmask of VkShaderStageFlagBits

### 7.54.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkShaderStageFlags;
```

### 7.54.3 Description

VkShaderStageFlags is a mask of zero or more VkShaderStageFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.54.4 See Also

VkDescriptorSetLayoutBinding, VkPushConstantRange, VkShaderStageFlagBits, vkCmdPushConstants

### 7.54.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkShaderStageFlags>

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## 7.55 VkSparseImageFormatFlags(3)

### 7.55.1 Name

VkSparseImageFormatFlags - Bitmask of VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits

### 7.55.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkSparseImageFormatFlags;
```

### 7.55.3 Description

VkSparseImageFormatFlags is a mask of zero or more VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.55.4 See Also

VkSparseImageFormatFlagBits, VkSparseImageFormatProperties

### 7.55.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseImageFormatFlags>

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## 7.56 VkSparseMemoryBindFlags(3)

### 7.56.1 Name

VkSparseMemoryBindFlags - Bitmask of VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits

### 7.56.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkSparseMemoryBindFlags;
```

### 7.56.3 Description

VkSparseMemoryBindFlags is a mask of zero or more VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.56.4 See Also

VkSparseImageMemoryBind, VkSparseMemoryBind, VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits

### 7.56.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSparseMemoryBindFlags>

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## 7.57 VkStencilFaceFlags(3)

### 7.57.1 Name

VkStencilFaceFlags - Bitmask of VkStencilFaceFlagBits

### 7.57.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkStencilFaceFlags;
```

### 7.57.3 Description

VkStencilFaceFlags is a mask of zero or more VkStencilFaceFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.57.4 See Also

VkStencilFaceFlagBits, vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask, vkCmdSetStencilReference, vkCmdSetStencilWriteMask

### 7.57.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkStencilFaceFlags>

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## 7.58 VkSubpassDescriptionFlags(3)

### 7.58.1 Name

VkSubpassDescriptionFlags - Bitmask of VkSubpassDescriptionFlagBits

### 7.58.2 C Specification

```
typedef VkFlags VkSubpassDescriptionFlags;
```

### 7.58.3 Description

VkSubpassDescriptionFlags is a mask of zero or more VkSubpassDescriptionFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below.

### 7.58.4 See Also

VkSubpassDescription

### 7.58.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSubpassDescriptionFlags>

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## 8 Function Pointer Types

### 8.1 PFN\_vkAllocationFunction(3)

#### 8.1.1 Name

PFN\_vkAllocationFunction - Application-defined memory allocation function

#### 8.1.2 C Specification

The type of *pfnAllocation* is:

```
typedef void* (VKAPI_PTR *PFN_vkAllocationFunction) (
    void*                pUserData,
    size_t                size,
    size_t                alignment,
    VkSystemAllocationScope allocationScope);
```

#### 8.1.3 Parameters

- *pUserData* is the value specified for `VkAllocationCallbacks::pUserData` in the allocator specified by the application.
- *size* is the size in bytes of the requested allocation.
- *alignment* is the requested alignment of the allocation in bytes and must be a power of two.
- *allocationScope* is a `VkSystemAllocationScope` value specifying the scope of the lifetime of the allocation, as described here.

#### 8.1.4 Description

If *pfnAllocation* is unable to allocate the requested memory, it must return `NULL`. If the allocation was successful, it must return a valid pointer to memory allocation containing at least *size* bytes, and with the pointer value being a multiple of *alignment*.

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#### Note



Correct Vulkan operation cannot be assumed if the application does not follow these rules.

For example, *pfnAllocation* (or *pfnReallocation*) could cause termination of running Vulkan instance(s) on a failed allocation for debugging purposes, either directly or indirectly. In these circumstances, it cannot be assumed that any part of any affected `VkInstance` objects are going to operate correctly (even `vkDestroyInstance`), and the application must ensure it cleans up properly via other means (e.g. process termination).

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If *pfnAllocation* returns `NULL`, and if the implementation is unable to continue correct processing of the current command without the requested allocation, it must treat this as a run-time error, and generate `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY` at the appropriate time for the command in which the condition was detected, as described in Return Codes.

If the implementation is able to continue correct processing of the current command without the requested allocation, then it may do so, and must not generate `VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_HOST_MEMORY` as a result of this failed allocation.

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### 8.1.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks

### 8.1.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN\\_vkAllocationFunction](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN_vkAllocationFunction)

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## 8.2 PFN\_vkFreeFunction(3)

### 8.2.1 Name

PFN\_vkFreeFunction - Application-defined memory free function

### 8.2.2 C Specification

The type of *pfnFree* is:

```
typedef void (VKAPI_PTR *PFN_vkFreeFunction) (
    void*                pUserData,
    void*                pMemory);
```

### 8.2.3 Parameters

- *pUserData* is the value specified for `VkAllocationCallbacks::pUserData` in the allocator specified by the application.
- *pMemory* is the allocation to be freed.

### 8.2.4 Description

*pMemory* may be NULL, which the callback must handle safely. If *pMemory* is non-NULL, it must be a pointer previously allocated by *pfnAllocation* or *pfnReallocation*. The application should free this memory.

### 8.2.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks

### 8.2.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN\\_vkFreeFunction](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN_vkFreeFunction)

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## 8.3 PFN\_vkInternalAllocationNotification(3)

### 8.3.1 Name

PFN\_vkInternalAllocationNotification - Application-defined memory allocation notification function

### 8.3.2 C Specification

The type of *pfnInternalAllocation* is:

```
typedef void (VKAPI_PTR *PFN_vkInternalAllocationNotification) (
    void*                pUserData,
    size_t               size,
    VkInternalAllocationType allocationType,
    VkSystemAllocationScope allocationScope);
```

### 8.3.3 Parameters

- *pUserData* is the value specified for `VkAllocationCallbacks::pUserData` in the allocator specified by the application.
- *size* is the requested size of an allocation.
- *allocationType* is the requested type of an allocation.
- *allocationScope* is a `VkSystemAllocationScope` value specifying the scope of the lifetime of the allocation, as described here.

### 8.3.4 Description

This is a purely informational callback.

### 8.3.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks

### 8.3.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN\\_vkInternalAllocationNotification](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN_vkInternalAllocationNotification)

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## 8.4 PFN\_vkInternalFreeNotification(3)

### 8.4.1 Name

PFN\_vkInternalFreeNotification - Application-defined memory free notification function

### 8.4.2 C Specification

The type of *pfnInternalFree* is:

```
typedef void (VKAPI_PTR *PFN_vkInternalFreeNotification) (
    void*                pUserData,
    size_t               size,
    VkInternalAllocationType allocationType,
    VkSystemAllocationScope allocationScope);
```

### 8.4.3 Parameters

- *pUserData* is the value specified for `VkAllocationCallbacks::pUserData` in the allocator specified by the application.
- *size* is the requested size of an allocation.
- *allocationType* is the requested type of an allocation.
- *allocationScope* is a `VkSystemAllocationScope` value specifying the scope of the lifetime of the allocation, as described here.

### 8.4.4 Description

### 8.4.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks

### 8.4.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN\\_vkInternalFreeNotification](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN_vkInternalFreeNotification)

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## 8.5 PFN\_vkReallocationFunction(3)

### 8.5.1 Name

PFN\_vkReallocationFunction - Application-defined memory reallocation function

### 8.5.2 C Specification

The type of *pfnReallocation* is:

```
typedef void* (VKAPI_PTR *PFN_vkReallocationFunction) (
    void*                pUserData,
    void*                pOriginal,
    size_t               size,
    size_t               alignment,
    VkSystemAllocationScope allocationScope);
```

### 8.5.3 Parameters

- *pUserData* is the value specified for `VkAllocationCallbacks::pUserData` in the allocator specified by the application.
- *pOriginal* must be either NULL or a pointer previously returned by *pfnReallocation* or *pfnAllocation* of the same allocator.
- *size* is the size in bytes of the requested allocation.
- *alignment* is the requested alignment of the allocation in bytes and must be a power of two.
- *allocationScope* is a `VkSystemAllocationScope` value specifying the scope of the lifetime of the allocation, as described here.

### 8.5.4 Description

*pfnReallocation* must return an allocation with enough space for *size* bytes, and the contents of the original allocation from bytes zero to  $\min(\text{original size}, \text{new size}) - 1$  must be preserved in the returned allocation. If *size* is larger than the old size, the contents of the additional space are undefined. If satisfying these requirements involves creating a new allocation, then the old allocation should be freed.

If *pOriginal* is NULL, then *pfnReallocation* must behave equivalently to a call to `PFN_vkAllocationFunction` with the same parameter values (without *pOriginal*).

If *size* is zero, then *pfnReallocation* must behave equivalently to a call to `PFN_vkFreeFunction` with the same *pUserData* parameter value, and *pMemory* equal to *pOriginal*.

If *pOriginal* is non-NULL, the implementation must ensure that *alignment* is equal to the *alignment* used to originally allocate *pOriginal*.

If this function fails and *pOriginal* is non-NULL the application must not free the old allocation.

*pfnReallocation* must follow the same rules for return values as `PFN_vkAllocationFunction`.

### 8.5.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks

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### 8.5.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN\\_vkReallocationFunction](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN_vkReallocationFunction)

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## 8.6 PFN\_vkVoidFunction(3)

### 8.6.1 Name

PFN\_vkVoidFunction - Dummy function pointer type returned by queries

### 8.6.2 C Specification

The definition of PFN\_vkVoidFunction is:

```
typedef void (VKAPI_PTR *PFN_vkVoidFunction) (void);
```

### 8.6.3 Parameters

### 8.6.4 Description

### 8.6.5 See Also

vkGetDeviceProcAddr, vkGetInstanceProcAddr

### 8.6.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN\\_vkVoidFunction](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#PFN_vkVoidFunction)

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## 9 Vulkan Scalar types

### 9.1 VkBool32(3)

#### 9.1.1 Name

VkBool32 - Vulkan boolean type

#### 9.1.2 C Specification

VkBool32 represents boolean **True** and **False** values, since C does not have a sufficiently portable built-in boolean type:

```
typedef uint32_t VkBool32;
```

#### 9.1.3 Description

#### 9.1.4 See Also

VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo, VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures, VkPhysicalDeviceLimits, VkPhysicalDeviceSparseProperties, VkPipelineColorBlendAttachmentState, VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineInputAssemblyStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo, VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo, VkSamplerCreateInfo, vkWaitForFences

#### 9.1.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkBool32>

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## 9.2 VkDeviceSize(3)

### 9.2.1 Name

VkDeviceSize - Vulkan device memory size and offsets

### 9.2.2 C Specification

VkDeviceSize represents device memory size and offset values:

```
typedef uint64_t VkDeviceSize;
```

### 9.2.3 Description

### 9.2.4 See Also

VkBufferCopy, VkBufferCreateInfo, VkBufferImageCopy, VkBufferMemoryBarrier, VkBufferViewCreateInfo, VkDescriptorBufferInfo, VkImageFormatProperties, VkMappedMemoryRange, VkMemoryAllocateInfo, VkMemoryHeap, VkMemoryRequirements, VkPhysicalDeviceLimits, VkSparseImageMemoryBind, VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements, VkSparseMemoryBind, VkSubresourceLayout, vkBindBufferMemory, vkBindImageMemory, vkCmdBindIndexBuffer, vkCmdBindVertexBuffers, vkCmdCopyQueryPoolResults, vkCmdDispatchIndirect, vkCmdDrawIndexedIndirect, vkCmdDrawIndirect, vkCmdFillBuffer, vkCmdUpdateBuffer, vkGetDeviceMemoryCommitment, vkGetQueryPoolResults, vkMapMemory

### 9.2.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkDeviceSize>

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## 9.3 VkFlags(3)

### 9.3.1 Name

VkFlags - Vulkan bitmasks

### 9.3.2 C Specification

A collection of flags is represented by a bitmask using the type `VkFlags`:

```
typedef uint32_t VkFlags;
```

### 9.3.3 Description

Bitmasks are passed to many commands and structures to compactly represent options, but `VkFlags` is not used directly in the API. Instead, a `Vk*Flags` type which is an alias of `VkFlags`, and whose name matches the corresponding `Vk*FlagBits` that are valid for that type, is used. These aliases are described in the Flag Types appendix of the Specification.

### 9.3.4 See Also

`VkColorComponentFlags`

### 9.3.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkFlags>

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## 9.4 VkSampleMask(3)

### 9.4.1 Name

VkSampleMask - Mask of sample coverage information

### 9.4.2 C Specification

The elements of the sample mask array are of type `VkSampleMask`, each representing 32 bits of coverage information:

```
typedef uint32_t VkSampleMask;
```

### 9.4.3 Description

### 9.4.4 See Also

`VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo`

### 9.4.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkSampleMask>

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## 10 C Macro Definitions

### 10.1 VK\_API\_VERSION(3)

#### 10.1.1 Name

VK\_API\_VERSION - Deprecated version number macro

#### 10.1.2 C Specification

VK\_API\_VERSION is now commented out of `vulkan.h` and cannot be used.

```
// DEPRECATED: This define has been removed. Specific version defines (e.g. ↵  
    VK_API_VERSION_1_0), or the VK_MAKE_VERSION macro, should be used instead.  
//#define VK_API_VERSION VK_MAKE_VERSION(1, 0, 0)
```

#### 10.1.3 Description

#### 10.1.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

#### 10.1.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_API\\_VERSION](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_API_VERSION)

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## 10.2 VK\_API\_VERSION\_1\_0(3)

### 10.2.1 Name

VK\_API\_VERSION\_1\_0 - Return API version number for Vulkan 1.0

### 10.2.2 C Specification

VK\_API\_VERSION\_1\_0 returns the API version number for Vulkan 1.0. The patch version number in this macro will always be zero. The supported patch version for a physical device can be queried with `vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties`.

```
// Vulkan 1.0 version number
#define VK_API_VERSION_1_0 VK_MAKE_VERSION(1, 0, 0)
```

### 10.2.3 Description

### 10.2.4 See Also

`vkCreateInstance`, `vkGetPhysicalDeviceProperties`

### 10.2.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_API\\_VERSION\\_1\\_0](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_API_VERSION_1_0)

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## 10.3 VK\_DEFINE\_HANDLE(3)

### 10.3.1 Name

VK\_DEFINE\_HANDLE - Declare a dispatchable object handle

### 10.3.2 C Specification

VK\_DEFINE\_HANDLE defines a dispatchable handle type.

```
#define VK_DEFINE_HANDLE(object) typedef struct object##_T* object;
```

### 10.3.3 Description

- *object* is the name of the resulting C type.

The only dispatchable handle types are those related to device and instance management, such as `VkDevice`.

### 10.3.4 See Also

`VkCommandBuffer`, `VkDevice`, `VkInstance`, `VkPhysicalDevice`, `VkQueue`

### 10.3.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_DEFINE\\_HANDLE](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_DEFINE_HANDLE)

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## 10.4 VK\_DEFINE\_NON\_DISPATCHABLE\_HANDLE(3)

### 10.4.1 Name

VK\_DEFINE\_NON\_DISPATCHABLE\_HANDLE - Declare a non-dispatchable object handle

### 10.4.2 C Specification

VK\_DEFINE\_NON\_DISPATCHABLE\_HANDLE defines a non-dispatchable handle type.

```
#if !defined(VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE)
#if defined(__LP64__) || defined(_WIN64) || (defined(__x86_64__) && !defined(__ILP32__) &
    ) || defined(_M_X64) || defined(__ia64) || defined(_M_IA64) || defined(__
    __aarch64__) || defined(__powerpc64__)
    #define VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(object) typedef struct object##_T *
    object;
#else
    #define VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE(object) typedef uint64_t object;
#endif
#endif
```

### 10.4.3 Description

- *object* is the name of the resulting C type.

Most Vulkan handle types, such as `VkBuffer`, are non-dispatchable.

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#### Note



The `vulkan.h` header allows the `VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE` definition to be overridden by the application. If `VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE` is already defined when the `vulkan.h` header is compiled the default definition is skipped. This allows the application to define a binary-compatible custom handle which may provide more type-safety or other features needed by the application. Behavior is undefined if the application defines a non-binary-compatible handle and may result in memory corruption or application termination. Binary compatibility is platform dependent so the application must be careful if it overrides the default `VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE` definition.

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### 10.4.4 See Also

`VkBuffer`

### 10.4.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_DEFINE\\_NON\\_DISPATCHABLE\\_HANDLE](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_DEFINE_NON_DISPATCHABLE_HANDLE)

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## 10.5 VK\_HEADER\_VERSION(3)

### 10.5.1 Name

VK\_HEADER\_VERSION - Vulkan header file version number

### 10.5.2 C Specification

VK\_HEADER\_VERSION is the version number of the `vulkan.h` header. This value is currently kept synchronized with the release number of the Specification. However, it is not guaranteed to remain synchronized, since most Specification updates have no effect on `vulkan.h`.

```
// Version of this file
#define VK_HEADER_VERSION 27
```

### 10.5.3 Description

### 10.5.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

### 10.5.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_HEADER\\_VERSION](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_HEADER_VERSION)

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## 10.6 VK\_MAKE\_VERSION(3)

### 10.6.1 Name

VK\_MAKE\_VERSION - Construct an API version number

### 10.6.2 C Specification

VK\_MAKE\_VERSION constructs an API version number.

```
#define VK_MAKE_VERSION(major, minor, patch) \
    (((major) << 22) | ((minor) << 12) | (patch))
```

### 10.6.3 Description

- *major* is the major version number.
- *minor* is the minor version number.
- *patch* is the patch version number.

This macro can be used when constructing the `VkApplicationInfo::apiVersion` parameter passed to `vkCreateInstance`.

### 10.6.4 See Also

`VkApplicationInfo`, `vkCreateInstance`

### 10.6.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_MAKE\\_VERSION](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_MAKE_VERSION)

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## 10.7 VK\_NULL\_HANDLE(3)

### 10.7.1 Name

VK\_NULL\_HANDLE - Reserved non-valid object handle

### 10.7.2 C Specification

VK\_NULL\_HANDLE is a reserved value representing a non-valid object handle. It may be passed to and returned from Vulkan commands only when specifically allowed.

```
#define VK_NULL_HANDLE 0
```

### 10.7.3 Description

### 10.7.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

### 10.7.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_NULL\\_HANDLE](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_NULL_HANDLE)

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## 10.8 VK\_VERSION\_MAJOR(3)

### 10.8.1 Name

VK\_VERSION\_MAJOR - Extract API major version number

### 10.8.2 C Specification

VK\_VERSION\_MAJOR extracts the API major version number from a packed version number:

```
#define VK_VERSION_MAJOR(version) ((uint32_t)(version) >> 22)
```

### 10.8.3 Description

### 10.8.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

### 10.8.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_VERSION\\_MAJOR](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_VERSION_MAJOR)

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## 10.9 VK\_VERSION\_MINOR(3)

### 10.9.1 Name

VK\_VERSION\_MINOR - Extract API minor version number

### 10.9.2 C Specification

VK\_VERSION\_MINOR extracts the API minor version number from a packed version number:

```
#define VK_VERSION_MINOR(version) (((uint32_t)(version) >> 12) & 0x3ff)
```

### 10.9.3 Description

### 10.9.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

### 10.9.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_VERSION\\_MINOR](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_VERSION_MINOR)

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## 10.10 VK\_VERSION\_PATCH(3)

### 10.10.1 Name

VK\_VERSION\_PATCH - Extract API patch version number

### 10.10.2 C Specification

VK\_VERSION\_PATCH extracts the API patch version number from a packed version number:

```
#define VK_VERSION_PATCH(version) ((uint32_t)(version) & 0xffff)
```

### 10.10.3 Description

### 10.10.4 See Also

No cross-references are available

### 10.10.5 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

[https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK\\_VERSION\\_PATCH](https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VK_VERSION_PATCH)

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