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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:

## 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.

# 3.1.4 Description

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer}, {\tt VkCommandBufferAllocateInfo}, {\tt VkDevice}$ 

#### 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

## 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:

#### 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.

#### 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.

- 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

# 3.3 vkAllocateMemory(3)

#### 3.3.1 Name

vkAllocateMemory - Allocate GPU memory

#### 3.3.2 C Specification

To allocate memory objects, call:

#### 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.

# Valid Usage

• The number of currently valid memory objects, allocated from device, must be less than VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxMemoryAllocationCount

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory, VkMemoryAllocateInfo}$ 

### 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

# 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
    const VkCommandBufferBeginInfo*
```

commandBuffer,
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 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

#### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle
- pBeginInfo must be a pointer to a valid VkCommandBufferBeginInfo structure

# **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

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer}, {\tt VkCommandBufferBeginInfo}$ 

## 3.4.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

# 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

- 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
- 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

- 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

# **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

# 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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
- 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

- 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

# **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

## 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

# 3.7 vkCmdBeginQuery(3)

#### 3.7.1 Name

vkCmdBeginQuery - Begin a query

### 3.7.2 C Specification

To begin a query, call:

#### 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 <code>queryType</code> of the pool is <code>VK\_QUERY\_TYPE\_OCCLUSION</code> and <code>flags</code> contains <code>VK\_QUERY\_CONTROL\_PRECISE\_BIT</code>, 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.

- 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 <code>queryType</code> used to create <code>queryPool</code> was <code>VK\_QUERY\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_STATISTICS</code> and any of the <code>pipelineStatistics</code> indicate graphics operations, the <code>VkCommandPool</code> that <code>commandBuffer</code> was allocated from must support graphics operations
- If the <code>queryType</code> used to create <code>queryPool</code> was <code>VK\_QUERY\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_STATISTICS</code> and any of the <code>pipelineStatistics</code> indicate compute operations, the <code>VkCommandPool</code> that <code>commandBuffer</code> was allocated from must support compute operations

- 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

# **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

### **Command Properties**

Command Buffer Levels	Render Pass Scope	<b>Supported Queue Types</b>
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

# 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:

#### 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

• If any of the <code>initialLayout</code> or <code>finalLayout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> structures or the <code>layout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentReference</code> structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the <code>renderPass</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> is <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_COLOR\_</code> ATTACHMENT\_OPTIMAL then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the <code>framebuffer</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> must have been created with <code>VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_COLOR\_</code> ATTACHMENT\_BIT set

- If any of the <code>initialLayout</code> or <code>finalLayout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> structures or the <code>layout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentReference</code> structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the <code>renderPass</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> is <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_</code> ATTACHMENT\_OPTIMAL or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_</code> READ\_ONLY\_OPTIMAL then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the <code>framebuffer</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> must have been created with <code>VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_DEPTH\_STENCIL\_</code> ATTACHMENT\_ BIT set
- If any of the <code>initialLayout</code> or <code>finalLayout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> structures or the <code>layout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentReference</code> structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the <code>renderPass</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> is <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_SHADER\_READ\_ONLY\_OPTIMAL</code> then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the <code>framebuffer</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> must have been created with <code>VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_SAMPLED\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_INPUT\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT</code> set
- If any of the <code>initialLayout</code> or <code>finalLayout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> structures or the <code>layout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentReference</code> structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the <code>renderPass</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> is <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_TRANSFER\_SRC\_OPTIMAL</code> then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the <code>framebuffer</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> must have been created with <code>VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_TRANSFER\_SRC\_SRC\_BIT</code> set
- If any of the <code>initialLayout</code> or <code>finalLayout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> structures or the <code>layout</code> member of the <code>VkAttachmentReference</code> structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the <code>renderPass</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> is <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_TRANSFER\_DST\_OPTIMAL</code> then the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the <code>framebuffer</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> must have been created with <code>VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_TRANSFER\_DST\_BIT</code> set
- If any of the <code>initialLayout</code> members of the <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> structures specified when creating the render pass specified in the <code>renderPass</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code> is not <code>VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_UNDEFINED</code>, then each such <code>initialLayout</code> must be equal to the current layout of the corresponding attachment image subresource of the framebuffer specified in the <code>framebuffer</code> member of <code>pRenderPassBegin</code>

- 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
- 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

# **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

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer, VkRenderPassBeginInfo, VkSubpassContents}$ 

### 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

# 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,
                                                  pipelineBindPoint,
    VkPipelineBindPoint
   VkPipelineLayout
                                                  layout,
    uint32_t
                                                  firstSet,
   uint32_t
                                                  descriptorSetCount,
    const VkDescriptorSet*
                                                  pDescriptorSets,
                                                  dynamicOffsetCount,
    uint32_t
    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

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 <code>pDynamicOffsets</code> 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

# 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:

#### 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

- offset must be less than the size of buffer
- 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

- 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

# **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		

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>pipeline</code> 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.

- 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 graphic pipeline, the current subpass has no attachments, and this is not the first call to this function with a graphic pipeline after transitioning to the current subpass, then the sample count specified by this pipeline must match that set in the previous pipeline

- 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
- 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

### **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

# 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:

#### 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.

- 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

- 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
- Both of commandBuffer, and the elements of pBuffers must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

## **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		

#### 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

# 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_{\text{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:

$$\begin{split} & scale\_u = (x_{src1} - x_{src0}) \, / \, (x_{dst1} - x_{dst0}) \\ & scale\_v = (y_{src1} - y_{src0}) \, / \, (y_{dst1} - y_{dst0}) \\ & scale\_w = (z_{src1} - z_{src0}) \, / \, (z_{dst1} - z_{dst0}) \\ & u_{scaled} = u_{offset} * scale_u \\ & v_{scaled} = v_{offset} * scale_v \\ & w_{scaled} = w_{offset} * scale_w \end{split}$$

• Finally the source offset is added to the scaled coordinates, to determine the final unnormalized coordinates used to sample from <code>srcImage</code>:

$$\begin{split} u &= u_{scaled} + x_{src0} \\ v &= v_{scaled} + y_{src0} \\ w &= w_{scaled} + z_{src0} \\ q &= \textit{mipLevel} \\ a &= a_{offset} + \textit{baseArrayCountsrc} \end{split}$$

These coordinates are used to sample from the source image, as described in Image Operations chapter, with the filter mode equal to that of <code>filter</code>, a mipmap mode of <code>VK\_SAMPLER\_MIPMAP\_MODE\_NEAREST</code> and an address mode of <code>VK\_SAMPLER\_ADDRESS\_MODE\_CLAMP\_TO\_EDGE</code>. 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.

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.
- For sRGB source formats, 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.

- 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 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 <code>srcImage</code> or <code>dstImage</code> was created with an unsigned integer <code>VkFormat</code>, the other must also have been created with an unsigned integer <code>VkFormat</code>
- 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

- 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

## **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		

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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.

- 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

- commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle
- pAttachments must be a pointer to an array of attachment Count 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
- attachmentCount must be greater than 0
- rectCount must be greater than 0

### **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		

## 3.14.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkClearAttachment}, {\tt VkClearRect}, {\tt VkCommandBuffer}$ 

### 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

# 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:

#### 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.

- 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

- 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

# **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

# 3.15.5 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 + 1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #vkCmdClearColorImage + 1.0/xhtml #vkCmdClearCol

# 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:

#### 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 <code>aspectMask</code> of each image subresource range in <code>pRanges</code> 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. <code>pDepthStencil</code> 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

- 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

- commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle
- image must be a valid VkImage handle
- imageLayout must be a valid VkImageLayout value
- 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

## **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		

3.16.5 See Also
VkClearDepthStencilValue, VkCommandBuffer, VkImage, VkImageLayout, VkImageSubresourceRange
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:

#### 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.

- The size member of a given element of pRegions must be greater than 0
- ullet 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

- 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
- $\bullet$  regionCount must be greater than 0  $^{\circ}$
- Each of commandBuffer, dstBuffer, and srcBuffer must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

### **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

## **Command Properties**

Command Buffer Levels	Render Pass Scope	Supported Queue Types
Primary	Outside	TRANSFER
Secondary		GRAPHICS
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# 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

# 3.18 vkCmdCopyBufferTolmage(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:

#### 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.

- 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
- ullet 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

- 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
- 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

### **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

## **Command Properties**

Command Buffer Levels	Render Pass Scope	Supported Queue Types
Primary	Outside	TRANSFER
Secondary		GRAPHICS
•		COMPUTE

## 3.18.5 See Also

VkBuffer, VkBufferImageCopy, VkCommandBuffer, VkImage, VkImageLayout

# 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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>srcImage</code> and <code>dstImage</code> must be compatible. Formats are considered compatible if their element size is the same between both formats. For example, <code>VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8B8A8\_UNORM</code> is compatible with <code>VK\_FORMAT\_R8G8BA8\_UNORM</code> is compatible with <code>VK\_FORMAT\_R8G</code>

**vkCmdCopyImage** allows copying between size-compatible compressed and uncompressed internal formats. Formats are size-compatible if the element size of the uncompressed format is equal to the element size (compressed texel block size) 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 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 <code>extent</code> 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 size. For this reason the <code>extent</code> 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 <code>srcImage</code> is compressed, then:

- 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.
- 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 dst Image is compressed, then:

- 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.
- 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.

- 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

- 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

# **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

### 3.19.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkImage, VkImageCopy, VkImageLayout

# 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

# 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:

#### 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.

- 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

- 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

### **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

Command Buffer Levels	Render Pass Scope	Supported Queue Types
Primary	Outside	TRANSFER
Secondary		GRAPHICS
•		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

# 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.

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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

# 3.22 vkCmdDispatch(3)

#### 3.22.1 Name

vkCmdDispatch - Dispatch compute work items

## 3.22.2 C Specification

To record a dispatch, call:

#### 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.

- 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 [?]
- 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

- 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

# **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

# 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:

### 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.

- 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

- 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

# **Host Synchronization**

 $\bullet \ \ Host\ access\ to\ \textit{commandBuffer}\ must\ be\ externally\ synchronized$ 

# **Command Properties**

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

### 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

# 3.24 vkCmdDraw(3)

#### 3.24.1 Name

vkCmdDraw - Draw primitives

### 3.24.2 C Specification

To record a non-indexed draw, call:

#### 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 <code>vertexCount</code> consecutive vertex indices with the first <code>vertexIndex</code> value equal to <code>firstVertex</code>. The primitives are drawn <code>instanceCount</code> times with <code>instanceIndex</code> starting with <code>firstInstance</code> and increasing sequentially for each instance. The assembled primitives execute the currently bound graphics pipeline.

- The current render pass must be compatible with the <code>renderPass</code> member of the <code>VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo</code> structure specified when creating the <code>VkPipeline</code> currently bound to <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS</code>.
- The subpass index of the current render pass must be equal to the *subpass* member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS.

- 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
- 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

- 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

# **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		

#### 3.24.5 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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>indexCount</code> 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 <code>vkCmdBindIndexBuffer::indexType</code> 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 <code>instanceCount</code> times with <code>instanceIndex</code> starting with <code>firstInstance</code> and increasing sequentially for each instance. The assembled primitives execute the currently bound graphics pipeline.

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- The current render pass must be compatible with the renderPass member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS.
- The subpass index of the current render pass must be equal to the *subpass* member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK PIPELINE BIND POINT GRAPHICS.
- 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

• commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle

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- 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

#### **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

# 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:

#### 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.

- 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, <code>drawCount</code> 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

- The current render pass must be compatible with the renderPass member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS.
- The subpass index of the current render pass must be equal to the *subpass* member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK PIPELINE BIND POINT GRAPHICS.
- 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 × (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

• commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle

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- 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

## **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		

# 3.26.5 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

# 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:

#### 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.

- 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, <code>drawCount</code> 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

- The current render pass must be compatible with the renderPass member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS.
- The subpass index of the current render pass must be equal to the *subpass* member of the VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo structure specified when creating the VkPipeline currently bound to VK PIPELINE BIND POINT GRAPHICS.
- 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 × (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

• commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle

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- 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

## **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

# 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:

#### 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

- The query identified by queryPool and query must currently be active
- query must be less than the number of queries in queryPool

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• 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

## **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

#### 3.28.5 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

# 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

• The current subpass index must be equal to the number of subpasses in the render pass minus one

#### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer}$ 

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>pCommandBuffers</code> in any other primary command buffer become invalidated, unless those secondary command buffers were recorded with <code>VK\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_USAGE\_SIMULTANEOUS\_USE\_BIT</code>.

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

- 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
- ullet commandBuffer must be a primary  ${\tt VkCommandBuffer}$
- 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

#### **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

## **Command Properties**

Command Buffer Levels	Render Pass Scope	Supported Queue Types
Primary	Both	TRANSFER
		GRAPHICS
		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

# 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:

#### 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**.

- 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

- 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
- Both of commandBuffer, and dstBuffer must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

## **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

## 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
    VkSubpassContents
```

commandBuffer,
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

• The current subpass index must be less than the number of subpasses in the render pass minus one

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

# 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,
                                                 bufferMemoryBarrierCount,
   uint32_t
   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 <code>srcStageMask</code> of the first set of commands completes before any work performed by the set of pipeline stages included in <code>dstStageMask</code> 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.
- $\bullet \ \textit{pImageMemoryBarriers} \ \textbf{is a pointer to an array of VkImageMemoryBarrier} \ \textbf{structures}.$

#### 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.

- 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, <code>srcStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code>
  <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code>
  <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, <code>dstStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code>
  <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code>
  <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>
- 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 <code>image</code> member of any element of <code>pImageMemoryBarriers</code> must be equal to one of the elements of <code>pAttachments</code> that the current <code>framebuffer</code> was created with, that is also referred to by one of the elements of the <code>pColorAttachments</code>, <code>pResolveAttachments</code> or <code>pDepthStencilAttachment</code> members of the <code>VkSubpassDescription</code> instance that the current subpass was created with

- If vkCmdPipelineBarrier is called within a render pass instance, the <code>oldLayout</code> and <code>newLayout</code> members of any element of <code>pImageMemoryBarriers</code> must be equal to the <code>layout</code> member of an element of the <code>pColorAttachments</code>, <code>pResolveAttachments</code> or <code>pDepthStencilAttachment</code> members of the <code>VkSubpassDescription</code> instance that the current subpass was created with, that refers to the same <code>image</code>
- 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

- 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

## **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

## 3.33.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:prop:lags} Vk Buffer Memory Barrier, Vk Command Buffer, Vk Dependency Flags, Vk Image Memory Barrier, Vk Memory Barrier, Vk Pipeline Stage Flags$ 

## 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

# 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:

#### 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

- 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

- 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
- size must be greater than 0
- Both of commandBuffer, and layout must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

# **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

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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:

#### 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

- 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, <code>stageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_SHADER\_BIT</code>
- When this command executes, <code>event</code> must not be waited on by a <code>vkCmdWaitEvents</code> command that is currently executing

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### **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

# 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:

#### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

• 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

# 3.37 vkCmdResolvelmage(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:

#### 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.

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.

Valid Usage	
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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 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

- 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

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

### 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

# 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:

#### 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

• The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_BLEND\_CONSTANTS dynamic state enabled

- 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

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

### 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

# 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 <code>depthBiasEnable</code>, <code>depthBiasConstantFactor</code>, <code>depthBiasClamp</code>, and <code>depthBiasSlopeFactor</code> members of

VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo, or by the corresponding parameters to the **vkCmdSetDepthBias** command if depth bias state is dynamic.

#### 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

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

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

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

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

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}
```

If no depth buffer is present, r is undefined.

The bias value o for a polygon is

```
o = \begin{cases} m \times depthBiasSlopeFactor + r \times depthBiasConstantFactor & depthBiasClamp = 0 \text{ or } NaN \\ \min(m \times depthBiasSlopeFactor + r \times depthBiasConstantFactor, depthBiasClamp) & depthBiasClamp > 0 \\ \max(m \times depthBiasSlopeFactor + r \times depthBiasConstantFactor, depthBiasClamp) & depthBiasClamp < 0 \end{cases}
(3)
```

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

- 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

- 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

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

## 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

# 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:

#### 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

- 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

- 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

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

### 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

# 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:

#### 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

- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, <code>stageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT</code>
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, <code>stageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code>
  <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code>
  <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>

- 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

• 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

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer}, {\tt VkEvent}, {\tt VkPipelineStageFlags}$ 

#### 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

# 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 <code>lineWidth</code> property of <code>VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo</code> in the currently active pipeline if the pipeline was not created with <code>VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_LINE\_WIDTH</code> enabled. Otherwise, the line width is set by calling <code>vkCmdSetLineWidth</code>:

#### 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

- 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

- 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

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

## 3.42.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer

# 3.42.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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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:

#### 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, *scissorCount*).

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

### Valid Usage

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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		

### 3.43.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer, VkRect2D

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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:

#### 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

The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_STENCIL\_
 COMPARE\_MASK dynamic state enabled

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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		

#### 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. The property of the control of the property of the property

# 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:

#### 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

• The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_STENCIL\_ REFERENCE dynamic state enabled

- 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

 $\bullet \ \ Host\ access\ to\ \textit{commandBuffer}\ must\ be\ externally\ synchronized$ 

# **Command Properties**

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

### 3.45.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer, VkStencilFaceFlags}$ 

# 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

# 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:

#### 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

• The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_STENCIL\_ WRITE\_MASK dynamic state enabled

- 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

 $\bullet \ \ Host\ access\ to\ \textit{commandBuffer}\ must\ be\ externally\ synchronized$ 

# **Command Properties**

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

### 3.46.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer, VkStencilFaceFlags}$ 

# 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

# 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 <code>pViewports</code> 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:

#### 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

- The currently bound graphics pipeline must have been created with the VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_VIEWPORT dynamic state enabled
- firstViewport must be less than VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports
- The sum of firstViewport and viewportCount must be between 1 and VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxViewports, inclusive

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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		

#### 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

# 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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
- 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

### **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to commandBuffer must be externally synchronized

# **Command Properties**

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

## 3.48.5 See Also

VkBuffer, VkCommandBuffer, VkDeviceSize

# 3.48.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #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,
                                                 imageMemoryBarrierCount,
   uint32_t
    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 <code>dstStageMask</code> (see [?]) until the <code>eventCount</code> event objects specified by <code>pEvents</code> become signaled. Implementations may wait for each event object to become signaled in sequence (starting with the first event object in <code>pEvents</code>, and ending with the last), or wait for all of the event objects to become signaled at the same time.

- 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

- 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, <code>srcStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT</code>
- If the geometry shaders feature is not enabled, <code>dstStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT</code>
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, <code>srcStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code>
  <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code>
  <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, <code>dstStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code> <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code> <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>
- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

• 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

• 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

# 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:

#### 3.50.3 Parameters

- commandBuffer is the command buffer into which the command will be recorded.
- pipelineStage is one of the VkPipelineStageFlagBits, 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			

- The query identified by queryPool and query must be unavailable
- The command pool's queue family must support a non-zero timestampValidBits

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### **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

For more information.	see the Vulkan Specification at URL
	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:

#### 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

• If the <code>flags</code> member of <code>pCreateInfo</code> includes <code>VK\_BUFFER\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_BINDING\_BIT</code>, creating this <code>VkBuffer</code> must not cause the total required sparse memory for all currently valid sparse resources on the device to exceed <code>VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::sparseAddressSpaceSize</code>

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkBufferView, VkBufferViewCreateInfo, VkDevice}$ 

# 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. The property of the

# 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:

## 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 (Implicit)

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- $\bullet \ \textit{pCreateInfo} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{pointer} \ \textbf{to} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{valid} \ \textbf{VkCommandPoolCreateInfo} \ \textbf{structure}$
- 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

# 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

# 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:

#### 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

• If the flags member of any given element of pCreateInfos 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 pCreateInfos that corresponds to that element

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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
- If pipelineCache is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

## **Return Codes**

#### **Success**

• VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

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

## 3.54.5 See Also

 $\label{locationCallbacks} Vk Compute Pipeline Create Info, Vk Device, Vk Pipeline, Vk Pipeline Cache$ 

# 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## **Return Codes**

# **Success**

• VK\_SUCCESS

## **Failure**

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

# 3.55.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDescriptorPool, VkDescriptorPoolCreateInfo, VkDevice}$ 

## 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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**

# **Success**

• VK\_SUCCESS

## **Failure**

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

#### 3.56.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:prop:continuous} \begin{tabular}{ll} VkAllocation Callbacks, VkDescriptor SetLayout, VkDescriptor SetLayout Create Info, VkDevice \end{tabular}$ 

## 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

# 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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

# 3.58 vkCreateEvent(3)

#### 3.58.1 Name

vkCreateEvent - Create a new event object

## 3.58.2 C Specification

To create an event, call:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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

#### 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 (Implicit)

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- pCreateInfo must be a pointer to a valid VkFenceCreateInfo structure
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- pFence must be a pointer to a VkFence handle

## **Return Codes**

# Success

• VK\_SUCCESS

# 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

# 3.60 vkCreateFramebuffer(3)

#### 3.60.1 Name

vkCreateFramebuffer - Create a new framebuffer object

## 3.60.2 C Specification

To create a framebuffer, call:

#### 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.
- $\bullet \ \textit{pFramebuffer points to a VkFramebuffer handle in which the resulting framebuffer object is returned.}$

## 3.60.4 Description

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkFramebuffer, VkFramebufferCreateInfo}$ 

# 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 for the control of t

# 3.61 vkCreateGraphicsPipelines(3)

#### 3.61.1 Name

vkCreateGraphicsPipelines - Create graphics pipelines

## 3.61.2 C Specification

To create graphics pipelines, call:

#### 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.
- ullet 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

• If the flags member of any given element of pCreateInfos 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 pCreateInfos that corresponds to that element

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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
- 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

#### **Return Codes**

#### Success

• VK\_SUCCESS

### Failure

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

## 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

# 3.62 vkCreateImage(3)

#### 3.62.1 Name

vkCreateImage - Create a new image object

## 3.62.2 C Specification

To create images, call:

#### 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

• 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# **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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

#### 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 **vkGetPipelineCacheD ata**. 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.

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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**

# **Success**

• VK\_SUCCESS

# **Failure**

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

#### 3.66.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkPipelineLayout, VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo}$ 

# 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkQueryPool, VkQueryPoolCreateInfo}$ 

# 3.67.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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

# 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:

## 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.
- $\bullet \ \textit{pRenderPass} \ \textbf{points} \ \textbf{to} \ \textbf{a} \ \forall \texttt{kRenderPass} \ \textbf{handle} \ \textbf{in} \ \textbf{which} \ \textbf{the} \ \textbf{resulting} \ \textbf{render} \ \textbf{pass} \ \textbf{object} \ \textbf{is} \ \textbf{returned}.$

## 3.68.4 Description

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

 ${\tt VkAllocationCallbacks, VkDevice, VkSampler, VkSamplerCreateInfo}$ 

## 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

# 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

### 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 unsignaled state.

## 3.70.4 Description

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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**

## **Success**

• VK\_SUCCESS

## **Failure**

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

## 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

# 3.72 vkDestroyBuffer(3)

### 3.72.1 Name

vkDestroyBuffer - Destroy a buffer object

## 3.72.2 C Specification

To destroy a buffer, call:

### 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

- 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

- 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

• 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

# 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:

### 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

- All submitted commands that refer to bufferView must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>bufferView</code> was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when bufferView was created, pAllocator must be NULL

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If bufferView is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, bufferView must be a valid VkBufferView handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ \textbf{is not} \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a pointer to} \ \textbf{a valid} \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ \textbf{structure}$
- If bufferView is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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 with the property of the property o

# 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:

### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• 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

• 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

# 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:

### 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

- All submitted commands that refer to <code>descriptorPool</code> (via any allocated descriptor sets) must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>descriptorPool</code> was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- $\bullet$  If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>descriptorPool</code> was created, <code>pAllocator</code> must be <code>NULL</code>

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• 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

• 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

# 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:

#### 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

- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>descriptorSetLayout</code> was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when descriptorSetLayout was created, pAllocator must be NULL

- 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

• 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

# 3.77 vkDestroyDevice(3)

### 3.77.1 Name

vkDestroyDevice - Destroy a logical device

## 3.77.2 C Specification

To destroy a device, call:

## 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

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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

# 3.78 vkDestroyEvent(3)

## 3.78.1 Name

vkDestroyEvent - Destroy an event object

## 3.78.2 C Specification

To destroy an event, call:

### 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

- 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

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If event is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, event must be a valid VkEvent handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- If event is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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

# 3.79 vkDestroyFence(3)

## 3.79.1 Name

vkDestroyFence - Destroy a fence object

## 3.79.2 C Specification

To destroy a fence, call:

### 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

- 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

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If fence is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, fence must be a valid VkFence handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- If fence is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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

# 3.80 vkDestroyFramebuffer(3)

### 3.80.1 Name

vkDestroyFramebuffer - Destroy a framebuffer object

## 3.80.2 C Specification

To destroy a framebuffer, call:

### 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

- 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
- ullet If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when framebuffer was created, pAllocator must be NULL

- 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

• 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

# 3.81 vkDestroyImage(3)

## 3.81.1 Name

vkDestroyImage - Destroy an image object

## 3.81.2 C Specification

To destroy an image, call:

### 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

- 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

- 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

• 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

# 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:

### 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

- All submitted commands that refer to imageView must have completed execution
- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>imageView</code> was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when imageView was created, pAllocator must be NULL

- 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

• Host access to <code>imageView</code> 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

# 3.83 vkDestroyInstance(3)

### 3.83.1 Name

vkDestroyInstance - Destroy an instance of Vulkan

## 3.83.2 C Specification

To destroy an instance, call:

### 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

- 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

- 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

• Host access to instance must be externally synchronized

# 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If pipeline is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, pipeline must be a valid VkPipeline handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- If pipeline is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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

# 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:

### 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

- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when pipelineCache was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- ullet If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when pipelineCache was created, pAllocator must be NULL

- 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

 $\bullet \ \ Host\ access\ to\ \textit{pipelineCache}\ must\ be\ externally\ synchronized$ 

## 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

# 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:

### 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

- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>pipelineLayout</code> was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- If no VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when pipelineLayout was created, pAllocator must be NIII.I.

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If pipelineLayout is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, pipelineLayout must be a valid VkPipelineLayout handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- If pipelineLayout is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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

# 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:

#### 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

- All submitted commands that refer to queryPool must have completed execution
- ullet 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

- 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

• 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

# 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:

#### 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

- 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

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If renderPass is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, renderPass must be a valid VkRenderPass handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- If renderPass is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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

# 3.89 vkDestroySampler(3)

### 3.89.1 Name

vkDestroySampler - Destroy a sampler object

### 3.89.2 C Specification

To destroy a sampler, call:

#### 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

- All submitted commands that refer to sampler must have completed execution
- ullet 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

- 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

• 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

# 3.90 vkDestroySemaphore(3)

### 3.90.1 Name

vkDestroySemaphore - Destroy a semaphore object

# 3.90.2 C Specification

To destroy a semaphore, call:

#### 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

- 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

- 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

• 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

# 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:

#### 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

- If VkAllocationCallbacks were provided when <code>shaderModule</code> was created, a compatible set of callbacks must be provided here
- $\bullet \ \ If \ no \ \ VkAllocation Callbacks \ were \ provided \ when \ shader \textit{Module was created}, \ \textit{pAllocator must be} \\ \ NULL$

- 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

• 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

• 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

## **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

# 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 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

• commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle

• 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

## 3.93.5 See Also

VkCommandBuffer

## 3.93.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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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:

#### 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

• If pLayerName is not NULL, it must be the name of a layer returned by vkEnumerateDeviceLayerProperties

- 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

#### **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

# 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:

#### 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**.

- 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

## **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

# 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:

#### 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, it must be the name of a layer returned by vkEnumerateInstanceLayerProperties

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

### 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:

#### 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.

- 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

## **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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>pPhysicalDevices</code> is <code>NULL</code>, then the number of physical devices available is returned in <code>pPhysicalDeviceCount</code>. Otherwise, <code>pPhysicalDeviceCount</code> must point to a variable set by the user to the number of elements in the <code>pPhysicalDevices</code> array, and on return the variable is overwritten with the number of structures actually written to <code>pPhysicalDevices</code>. If <code>pPhysicalDeviceCount</code> is less than the number of physical devices available, at most <code>pPhysicalDeviceCount</code> structures will be written. If <code>pPhysicalDeviceCount</code> is smaller than the number of physical devices available, <code>VK\_INCOMPLETE</code> will be returned instead of <code>VK\_SUCCESS</code>, to indicate that not all the available physical devices were returned.

- 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

## **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 #vkEnumerate Physical Devices + 1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #vkEnumerate Physical Devices + 1.0/xhtml Physical D

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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
    VkCommandPool
    uint32_t
    const VkCommandBuffer*
```

device,
commandPool,
commandBufferCount,
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

- 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

- 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

- 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

# 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:

#### 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

- $\bullet \ \ All \ submitted \ commands \ that \ refer \ to \ any \ element \ of \ {\it pDescriptorSets} \ must \ have \ completed \ execution$
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## **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

# 3.102 vkFreeMemory(3)

#### 3.102.1 Name

vkFreeMemory - Free GPU memory

### 3.102.2 C Specification

To free a memory object, call:

#### 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

• All submitted commands that refer to memory (via images or buffers) must have completed execution

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- If memory is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, memory must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle
- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pAllocator} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ \textit{pAllocator} \ must \ be \ a \ pointer \ to \ a \ valid \ \texttt{VkAllocationCallbacks} \ structure$
- If memory is a valid handle, it must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

• 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

#### 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

 memory must have been created with a memory type that reports VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_LAZILY\_ ALLOCATED\_BIT

- 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

# 3.104.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize

## 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

# 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:

#### 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.

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

Table 1: vkGetDeviceProcAddr behavior

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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- pQueue must be a pointer to a VkQueue handle

# 3.106.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkQueue

## 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

# 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:

### 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 event is signaled.
VK_EVENT_RESET	The event specified by event 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## 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:

#### 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 <code>VkMemoryRequirements::size</code> than would be obtained by adding together memory sizes for all <code>VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements</code> returned by <code>vkGetImageSparseMemoryRequirements</code>. This may occur when the hardware requires unused padding in the address range describing the resource.

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- image must be a valid Vk Image 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

## 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

# 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:

#### 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.

instance	pName	return value
*	NULL	undefined
invalid instance	*	undefined
NULL	vkEnumerateInstanc	fp
	eExtensionPropert	
	ies	
NULL	vkEnumerateInstanc	fp
	eLayerProperties	
NULL	vkCreateInstance	fp
NULL	* (any pName not covered	NULL
	above)	
instance	core Vulkan command	fp <sup>1</sup>

Table 3: vkGetInstanceProcAddr behavior

Table 3: (continued)

instance	pName	return value
instance	enabled instance extension	fp <sup>1</sup>
	commands for instance	
instance	available device extension <sup>2</sup>	fp <sup>1</sup>
	commands for instance	
instance	* (any pName not covered	NULL
	above)	

The returned function pointer must only be called with a dispatchable object (the first parameter) that is <code>instance</code> or a child of <code>instance</code>. e.g. VkInstance, VkPhysicalDevice, VkDevice, VkQueue, or VkCommandBuffer.

An "available extension" is an extension function supported by any of the loader, driver or layer.

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

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- 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

# 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
    VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures*
```

physicalDevice,
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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- physicalDevice must be a valid VkPhysicalDevice handle
- format must be a valid VkFormat value
- ullet 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 with the properties of the prop

## 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:

#### 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*.

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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
    VkPhysicalDeviceProperties*
    physicalDevice,
    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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

## 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 (Implicit)

- physicalDevice must be a valid VkPhysicalDevice handle
- pQueueFamilyPropertyCount must be a pointer to a uint32\_t value
- If the value referenced by <code>pQueueFamilyPropertyCount</code> is not 0, and <code>pQueueFamilyProperties</code> is not <code>NULL</code>, <code>pQueueFamilyProperties</code> must be a pointer to an array of <code>pQueueFamilyPropertyCount</code> <code>VkQueueFamilyProperties</code> structures

#### 3.118.5 See Also

VkPhysicalDevice, VkQueueFamilyProperties

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL <a href="https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties">https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkGetPhysicalDeviceQueueFamilyProperties</a> This page is extracted from the Vulkan Specification. Fixes and changes should be made to the Specification, not directly.
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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.

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

• 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 VkImageCreateInfo::flags when the image is created

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### 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

### 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:

#### 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\_CA CHE\_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

Offset	Size	Meaning
4	4	a VkPipelineCacheHeaderVersion value written as a
		stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first
8	4	a vendor ID equal to
		VkPhysicalDeviceProperties::vendorID written as a
		stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first
12	4	a device ID equal to
		VkPhysicalDeviceProperties::deviceID written as a
		stream of bytes, with the least significant byte first
16	VK_UUID_SIZE	a pipeline cache ID equal to
		VkPhysicalDeviceProperties::pipelineCacheUUID

Table 4: (continued)

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 (Implicit)

- 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

## 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,
                                                   dataSize,
    size_t
    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.

### 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.

#### 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.

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.

## Valid Usage

- 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 <code>queryType</code> used to create <code>queryPool</code> was <code>VK\_QUERY\_TYPE\_TIMESTAMP</code>, <code>flags</code> must not contain <code>VK\_QUERY\_RESULT\_PARTIAL\_BIT</code>

### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### **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

# 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 + 1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #vkGetQueryPoolResults + 1.0/xhtml #vkGetQueryPoolResults

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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

# 3.123 vklnvalidateMappedMemoryRanges(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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

### 3.123.5 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

# 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:

#### 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.



#### Note

**vkMapMemory** will fail if the implementation is unable to allocate an appropriately sized contiguous virtual address range, e.g. due to virtual address space fragmentation or platform limits. In such cases, **vkMapMem ory** must return VK\_ERROR\_MEMORY\_MAP\_FAILED. The application can improve the likelihood of success by reducing the size of the mapped range and/or removing unneeded mappings using **VkUnmapMemory**.

**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.

# Valid Usage

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### **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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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

• dstCache must not appear in the list of source caches

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### **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

# 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:

#### 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

- fence must be unsignaled
- fence must not be associated with any other queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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
- 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

# **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

# 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:

#### 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.

**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

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

• 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

# 3.129 vkResetCommandBuffer(3)

#### 3.129.1 Name

vkResetCommandBuffer - Reset a command buffer

# 3.129.2 C Specification

To reset command buffers, call:

#### 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 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- commandBuffer must be a valid VkCommandBuffer handle
- flags must be a valid combination of VkCommandBufferResetFlagBits values

# **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

 ${\tt VkCommandBuffer, VkCommandBufferResetFlags}$ 

### 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

# 3.130 vkResetCommandPool(3)

#### 3.130.1 Name

vkResetCommandPool - Reset a command pool

#### 3.130.2 C Specification

To reset a command pool, call:

#### 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

All VkCommandBuffer objects allocated from commandPool must not currently be pending execution

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### **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

# 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:

#### 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

• All uses of descriptorPool (via any allocated descriptor sets) must have completed execution

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **Host Synchronization**

- Host access to descriptorPool must be externally synchronized
- Host access to any VkDescriptorSet objects allocated from <code>descriptorPool</code> 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

# 3.132 vkResetEvent(3)

# 3.132.1 Name

 $vkResetEvent \hbox{ - } Reset \hbox{ an event to non-signaled state} \\$ 

# 3.132.2 C Specification

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

#### 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

• event must not be waited on by a **vkCmdWaitEvents** command that is currently executing

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- event must be a valid VkEvent handle
- $\bullet$   $\,$  event must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from  $\,$  device

# **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

# 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:

#### 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

• Any given element of pFences must not currently be associated with any queue command that has not yet completed execution on that queue

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to each member of pFences must be externally synchronized

#### **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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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**

# **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

# 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:

# 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

• memory must currently be mapped

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- device must be a valid VkDevice handle
- memory must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle
- memory must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from device

# **Host Synchronization**

• Host access to memory must be externally synchronized

# 3.135.5 See Also

VkDevice, VkDeviceMemory

# 3.135.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#vkUnmapMemory

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# **Host Synchronization**

- Host access to pDescriptorWrites[].dstSet must be externally synchronized
- $\bullet \ \ Host\ access\ to\ {\it pDescriptorCopies[]}. dst \\ Set\ must\ be\ externally\ synchronized$

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>dstAccessMask</code> having the VK\_ACCESS\_HOST\_READ\_BIT bit set, with <code>dstStageMask</code> having the VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_HOST\_BIT bit set, and with the appropriate <code>srcStageMask</code> and <code>srcAccessMask</code> members set to guarantee completion of the writes. If the memory was allocated without the VK\_MEMORY\_PROPERTY\_HOST\_

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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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

# 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

# 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, 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

 $\label{locateDescriptorSet} Vk Copy Descriptor Set, Vk Write Descriptor Set, vk Allocate Descriptor Sets, vk Cmd Bind Descriptor Sets, vk Free Descriptor Sets$ 

#### 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

# 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

## 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

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vkAllocateCommandBuffers, vkAllocateDescriptorSets, vkAllocateMemory,
\verb|vkBindBufferMemory|, \verb|vkBindImageMemory|, \verb|vkCreateBuffer|, \verb|vkCreateBuffer||, \|vkCreateBuffer||, 
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
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#### 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

#### 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

# 4.13 Vklmage(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

# 4.14 VklmageView(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

# 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

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# 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

# 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

# 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

 $\label{line:computePipelineCreateInfo} Vk Graphics Pipeline CreateInfo, vk Cmd Bind Pipeline, vk Create Compute Pipelines, vk Create Graphics Pipelines, vk Destroy Pipeline$ 

#### 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

 $\verb|vkGetDeviceQueue|, vkQueueBindSparse|, vkQueueSubmit|, vkQueueWaitIdle||$ 

#### 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

# 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 #VkRender Pass

# 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

#### 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

# 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

 ${\tt VkBindSparseInfo, VkSubmitInfo, vkCreateSemaphore, vkDestroySemaphore}$ 

#### 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

# 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

# 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:

#### 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

# 5.2 VkApplicationInfo(3)

#### 5.2.1 Name

VkApplicationInfo - Structure specifying application info

#### 5.2.2 C Specification

The VkApplicationInfo structure is defined as:

#### 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

• apiVersion must be zero, or otherwise it must be a version that the implementation supports, or supports an effective substitute for

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

# 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.
- $\bullet$   $\mathit{samples}$  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 <code>loadOp</code> and <code>storeOp</code> are used, and <code>stencilLoadOp</code> and <code>stencilStoreOp</code> are ignored. If the format has depth and/or stencil components, <code>loadOp</code> and <code>storeOp</code> apply only to the depth data, while <code>stencilLoadOp</code> and <code>stencilStoreOp</code> 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 <code>loadOp</code>, 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 <code>storeOp</code>. 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

• finalLayout must not be VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_UNDEFINED or VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_PREINITIALIZED

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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 not be VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_UNDEFINED or VK\_IMAGE\_LAYOUT\_PREINITIALIZED

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• layout must be a valid VkImageLayout value

#### 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

# 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;
                                               imageOpaqueBindCount;
   uint32_t
   const VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo* pImageOpaqueBinds;
                                                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.

# 5.5.4 Description

#### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

 $\label{thm:prop:continuous} VkSemaphore, VkSparseImageMemoryBindInfo, VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo, VkStructureType, vkQueueBindSparse$ 

## 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

# 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:

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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 = 0x000000008,
   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;
```

- 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\_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\_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.

• 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_BUFFER\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- 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

# 5.7.5 See Also

# 5.7.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkBufferCreateInfo

# 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:

#### 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.

# 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.

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 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

- bufferOffset must be a multiple of the calling command's VkImage parameter's format's element 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 (imageExtent.width + imageOffset.x) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the image subresource width
- *imageOffset.y* and (imageExtent.height + *imageOffset.y*) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the image subresource height
  - If the calling command's srcImage (vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer) or dstImage
     (vkCmdCopyBufferToImage) is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D, then imageOffset.y must be 0 and imageExtent.height must be 1.
- imageOffset.z and (imageExtent.depth + 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 srcImage (vkCmdCopyImageToBuffer) or dstImage (vkCmdCopyBufferToImage) is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D or VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, then imageOffset.z must be 0 and imageExtent.depth must be 1.
- If the calling command's Vk Image 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 (imageExtent.width + imageOffset.x) must equal the image subresource width

- imageExtent.height must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height or (imageExtent.height + imageOffset.y) must equal the image subresource height
- imageExtent.depth must be a multiple of the compressed texel block depth or (imageExtent.depth + 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]

• imageSubresource must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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

### Valid Usage

- 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 than 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## 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

# 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:

#### 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

- 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 element size 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

- 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

### 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

# 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:

#### 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 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 <code>loadOp</code> (or <code>stencilLoadOp</code>) of <code>VkAttachmentDescription</code> to <code>VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR</code>, as described for <code>vkCreateRenderPass</code>.

## Valid Usage

- 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

- aspectMask must be a valid combination of VkImageAspectFlagBits values
- aspectMask must not be 0
- clearValue must be a valid VkClearValue union

## 5.11.5 See Also

VkClearValue, 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

# 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

- float 32 are the color clear values when the format of the image or attachment is one of the formats in the Interpretation of Numeric Format table other than signed integer (SINT) or unsigned integer (UINT). 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.
- int 32 are the color clear values when the format of the image or attachment is signed integer (SINT). 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.
- uint 32 are the color clear values when the format of the image or attachment is unsigned integer (UINT). 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

VkClearValue, 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

# 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

VkClearValue, vkCmdClearDepthStencilImage

### 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

# 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

# 5.15 VkClearValue(3)

#### 5.15.1 Name

VkClearValue - Structure specifying a clear value

## 5.15.2 C Specification

The VkClearValue union is defined as:

#### 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 (Implicit)

• 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#VkClearValue

# 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:

#### 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

• commandBufferCount must be greater than 0

- 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

### 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

# 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:

#### **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 = 0x000000004,
} 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

- 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

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COMMAND\_BUFFER\_BEGIN\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be a valid combination of VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits values

#### 5.17.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:commandBufferInheritanceInfo,VkCommandBufferUsageFlags,VkStructureType, vkBeginCommandBuffer$ 

### 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

# 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

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- pNext is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- 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 the render pass instance 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.

- 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.

• 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

- If the inherited queries feature is not enabled, occlusionQueryEnable must be VK\_FALSE
- If the inherited queries feature is enabled, <code>queryFlags</code> must be a valid combination of <code>VkQueryControlFlagBits</code> values
- If the pipeline statistics queries feature is not enabled, pipelineStatistics must be 0

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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

# Valid Usage

• queueFamilyIndex must be the index of a queue family available in the calling command's device parameter

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COMMAND\_POOL\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be a valid combination of VkCommandPoolCreateFlagBits values

### 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

# 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_B = 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.

- 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\_SWIZ ZLE\_IDENTITY

Component	Identity Mapping
components.r	VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_R
components.g	VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_G
components.b	VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_B
components.a	VK_COMPONENT_SWIZZLE_A

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## 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:

#### 5.21.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- pNext is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- ullet flags provides options for pipeline creation, and is of type  ${\tt VkPipelineCreateFlagBits}.$
- 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 <code>basePipelineHandle</code> and <code>basePipelineIndex</code> are described in more detail in Pipeline Derivatives. <code>stage</code> points to a structure of type <code>VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo</code>.

## Valid Usage

- 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 the layout of the compute shader specified in stage

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_COMPUTE\_PIPELINE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be a valid combination of VkPipelineCreateFlagBits values
- 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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 5.22.3 Members

- *sType* is the type of this structure.
- pNext is NULL or a pointer to an extension-specific structure.
- $\bullet$  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

- 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

- 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

## 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

# 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:

#### 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 <code>maxUniformBufferRange</code>.

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

- 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

• buffer must be a valid VkBuffer handle

### 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 #VkDescriptorBufferInfollowers and the property of the p

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

• 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

# 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 #VkDescriptorImageInfollowers and the property of the pr

# 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:

#### **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 <code>flags</code> includes <code>VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_POOL\_CREATE\_FREE\_DESCRIPTOR\_SET\_BIT</code>, then descriptor sets can return their individual allocations to the pool, i.e. all of <code>vkAllocateDescriptorSets</code>, <code>vkFreeDescriptorSets</code>, and <code>vkResetDescriptorPool</code> 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.

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

• maxSets must be greater than 0

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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

• descriptorCount must be greater than 0

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• type must be a valid VkDescriptorType value

## 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

# 5.27 VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo(3)

#### 5.27.1 Name

VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo - Structure specifying the allocation parameters for descriptor sets

## 5.27.2 C Specification

The  $\label{locateInfo} \textbf{The VkDescriptorSetAllocateInfo} \ \textbf{structure} \ \textbf{is defined as:}$ 

#### 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

- 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

### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_DESCRIPTOR\_SET\_ALLOCATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- descriptorPool must be a valid VkDescriptorPool handle
- ullet 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

## 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

# 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:

#### 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.

## Valid Usage

- 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

### Valid Usage (Implicit)

• descriptorType must be a valid VkDescriptorType value

### 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

# 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:

### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

 $\label{thm:local_vkDescriptorSetLayoutCreateFlags, VkStructureType, vkCreateDescriptorSetLayout} \\$ 

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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.

## 5.30.4 Description

# Valid Usage

• The queueFamilyIndex member of any given element of pQueueCreateInfos must be unique within pQueueCreateInfos

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### 5.30.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:local_problem} \begin{tabular}{ll} VkDeviceCreateInfo, VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures, VkStructureType, vkCreateDevice\\ \end{tabular}$ 

# 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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
- queueCount must be greater than 0

# 5.31.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkDeviceCreateInfo, VkDeviceQueueCreateFlags, VkStructureType}$ 

### 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

# 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

# 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

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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:

### 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

# 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

### 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

# 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

# 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 #VkExtent 3D

# 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 (Implicit)

- 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

# 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:

#### 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 = 0x000000004,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000008,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000010,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_ATOMIC_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000040,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x000000000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BLEND_BIT = 0x000000100,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_DEPTH_STENCIL_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x000000200,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_SRC_BIT = 0x000000400,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT = 0x000000800,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT = 0x000000800,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT = 0x00001000,
} 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 <code>linearTilingFeatures</code> and <code>optimalTilingFeatures</code>, indicating they are supported by images or image views created with the queried <code>vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties::format:</code>

#### 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.

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

# 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;
                              pNext;
   const void*
   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.

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 <code>width</code>, <code>height</code>, and <code>layers</code> of the framebuffer to define the dimensions of the rendering area, and the <code>rasterizationSamples</code> from each pipeline's <code>VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo</code> to define the number of samples used in rasterization; however, if <code>VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures::variableMultisampleRate</code> is <code>VK\_FALSE</code>, then all pipelines to be bound with a given zero-attachment subpass must have the same value for

VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateInfo::rasterizationSamples.

## Valid Usage

- 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

### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- • 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

### 5.41.5 See Also

### 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

# 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;
                                                   pVertexInputState;
   const VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo*
   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.

- 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 must only 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 the render pass 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.

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

- 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
- 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
- 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

- $\bullet \ \ If \ \textit{pColorBlendState} \ is \ not \ \texttt{NULL}, \ The \ \textit{attachmentCount} \ member \ of \ \textit{pColorBlendState} \ must \ be \ equal \ to \ the \ \textit{colorAttachmentCount} \ used \ to \ create \ \textit{subpass}$
- 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

### Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### 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

# 5.43 VklmageBlit(3)

### 5.43.1 Name

VkImageBlit - Structure specifying an image blit operation

# 5.43.2 C Specification

The VkImageBlit structure is defined as:

#### 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

- The aspectMask member of srcSubresource and dstSubresource must match
- $\bullet \ \ The \ \textit{layerCount member of } \textit{srcSubresource and } \textit{dstSubresource must match}$
- If either of the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> or <code>dstImage</code> parameters are of <code>VkImageTypeVK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D</code>, the <code>baseArrayLayer</code> and <code>layerCount</code> members of both <code>srcSubresource</code> and <code>dstSubresource</code> must be 0 and 1, respectively
- The aspectMask member of srcSubresource must specify aspects present in the calling command's srcImage
- 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
  - If the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> is of type <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code>, then <code>srcOffset[0].y</code> must be <code>0</code> and <code>srcOffset[1].y</code> must be <code>1</code>.
- 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
  - If the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> is of type <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code> or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D</code>, then <code>srcOffset[0].z</code> must be 0 and <code>srcOffset[1].z</code> must be 1.
- 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
  - If the calling command's dstImage is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D, then dstOffset[0].y must be 0 and dstOffset[1].y must be 1.
- 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
  - If the calling command's dstImage is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D or VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, then dstOffset[0].z must be 0 and dstOffset[1].z must be 1.

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- srcSubresource must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure
- dstSubresource must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure

# 5.43.5 See Also

VkImageSubresourceLayers, VkOffset3D, vkCmdBlitImage

### 5.43.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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# 5.44 VklmageCopy(3)

### 5.44.1 Name

VkImageCopy - Structure specifying an image copy operation

### 5.44.2 C Specification

The VkImageCopy structure is defined as:

### 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.

### 5.44.4 Description

### Valid Usage

- 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 <code>srcImage</code> or <code>dstImage</code> parameters are of <code>VkImageTypeVK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D</code>, the <code>baseArrayLayer</code> and <code>layerCount</code> members of both <code>srcSubresource</code> and <code>dstSubresource</code> must be 0 and 1, respectively
- The aspectMask member of srcSubresource must specify aspects present in the calling command's srcImage
- The aspectMask member of dstSubresource must specify aspects present in the calling command's dstImage
- srcOffset.x and (extent.width + 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 (extent.height + srcOffset.y) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource height
  - If the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> is of type <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code>, then <code>srcOffset.y</code> must be <code>0</code> and <code>extent.height</code> must be <code>1</code>.
- srcOffset.z and (extent.depth + srcOffset.z) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource depth
  - If the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> is of type <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code> or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D</code>, then <code>srcOffset.z</code> must be 0 and <code>extent.depth</code> must be 1.
- dstOffset.x and (extent.width + 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 (extent.height + dstOffset.y) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource height
  - If the calling command's dstImage is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D, then dstOffset.y must be 0 and extent.height must be 1.
- dstOffset.z and (extent.depth + 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 dstImage is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D or VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, then dstOffset.z must be 0 and extent.depth must be 1.
- 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 (extent.width + srcOffset.x) must equal the source image subresource width
  - extent.height must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height or (extent.height + srcOffset. y) must equal the source image subresource height
  - extent.depth must be a multiple of the compressed texel block depth or (extent.depth + srcOffset.z) must equal the source image subresource depth
- If the calling command's dst Image 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 (extent.width + dstOffset.x) must equal the destination image subresource width
  - extent.height must be a multiple of the compressed texel block height or (extent.height + dstOffset.
     y) must equal the destination image subresource height
  - extent.depth must be a multiple of the compressed texel block depth or (extent.depth + 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- srcSubresource must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure
- $\bullet \ \textit{dstSubresource} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{valid} \ \texttt{VkImageSubresourceLayers} \ \textbf{structure}$

### 5.44.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkExtent3D, VkImageSubresourceLayers, VkOffset3D, vkCmdCopyImage}$ 

### 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

# 5.45 VklmageCreateInfo(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;
   VkImageCreateFlags flags;
VkImageType
   VkImageType
                            imageType;
   VkFormat
                            format;
   VkExtent3D
                            extent;
   uint32_t
                           mipLevels;
   uint32_t
                           arrayLayers;
   VkSampleCountFlagBits samples;
                            tiling;
   VkImageliiing
VkImageUsageFlags
VkSharingMode
   VkImageTiling
                           usage;
                           sharingMode;
   uint32_t
                           queueFamilyIndexCount;
   const uint32_t* pQueueFamilyIndices;
VkImageLayout initialLayout:
   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 VkExtent 3D 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.

- 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

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- 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  $|\log_2(\max(\text{extent.width, extent.height, extent.depth}))| + 1.$
- 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
  - **vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties** with format, type, tiling, usage, and flags equal to those in this structure)
- arrayLayers must be less than or equal to VkImageFormatProperties::maxArrayLayers (as returned by vkGetPhysicalDeviceImageFormatProperties with format, type, tiling, usage, and flags equal to those in this structure)
- 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 must not 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, <code>format</code> 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\_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\_UNORM\_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\_SRGB\_BLOCK, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10x6\_SRGB\_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, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_UNORM\_BLOCK, OR VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- If the BC texture compression feature is not enabled, <code>format</code> 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\_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 <code>imageType</code> is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, <code>flags</code> must not contain VK IMAGE CREATE SPARSE RESIDENCY BIT
- If the sparse residency for 3D images feature is not enabled, and <code>imageType</code> is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D, <code>flags</code> must not contain VK IMAGE CREATE SPARSE RESIDENCY BIT

- If the sparse residency for images with 2 samples feature is not enabled, <code>imageType</code> is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and <code>samples</code> is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_2\_BIT, <code>flags</code> must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 4 samples feature is not enabled, <code>imageType</code> is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and <code>samples</code> is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_4\_BIT, <code>flags</code> must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 8 samples feature is not enabled, <code>imageType</code> is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and <code>samples</code> is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_8\_BIT, <code>flags</code> must not contain VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT
- If the sparse residency for images with 16 samples feature is not enabled, <code>imageType</code> is VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, and <code>samples</code> is VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_16\_BIT, <code>flags</code> 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
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- 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
- 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

### 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:

### 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 \[ log\_2(max(width, height, depth)) \] + 1. 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<sup>31</sup>.

## 5.46.4 Description



### Note

There is no mechanism to query the size of an image before creating it, to compare that size against <code>maxResourceSize</code>. 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<sup>31</sup>, it may not be possible to create an image that approaches that size, particularly for <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code>.

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.

# 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 VklmageMemoryBarrier(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;
                           pNext;
   const void*
   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.

## 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.

### Valid Usage

- 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, <code>srcQueueFamilyIndex</code> and <code>dstQueueFamilyIndex</code> 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
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### 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

# 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:

### 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.

### 5.48.4 Description

## Valid Usage

- 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 <code>srcImage</code> or <code>dstImage</code> parameters are of <code>VkImageTypeVK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_3D</code>, the <code>baseArrayLayer</code> and <code>layerCount</code> members of both <code>srcSubresource</code> and <code>dstSubresource</code> must be 0 and 1, respectively
- srcOffset.x and (extent.width + 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 (extent.height + srcOffset.y) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource height

- If the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> is of type <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code>, then <code>srcOffset.y</code> must be <code>0</code> and <code>extent.height</code> must be <code>1</code>.
- srcOffset.z and (extent.depth + srcOffset.z) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the source image subresource depth
  - If the calling command's <code>srcImage</code> is of type <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D</code> or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D</code>, then <code>srcOffset.z</code> must be 0 and <code>extent.depth</code> must be 1.
- dstOffset.x and (extent.width + 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 (extent.height + dstOffset.y) must both be greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to the destination image subresource height
  - If the calling command's dstImage is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D, then dstOffset.y must be 0 and extent.height must be 1.
- dstOffset.z and (extent.depth + 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 dstImage is of type VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_1D or VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D, then dstOffset.z must be 0 and extent.depth must be 1.

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- srcSubresource must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure
- dstSubresource must be a valid VkImageSubresourceLayers structure

### 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

# 5.49 VklmageSubresource(3)

## 5.49.1 Name

VkImageSubresource - Structure specifying a image subresource

## 5.49.2 C Specification

The VkImageSubresource structure is defined as:

### 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

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- aspectMask must be a valid combination of VkImageAspectFlagBits values
- aspectMask must not be 0

# 5.49.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkImageAspectFlags, VkSparseImageMemoryBind, vkGetImageSubresourceLayout}$ 

## 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

# 5.50 VklmageSubresourceLayers(3)

### 5.50.1 Name

VkImageSubresourceLayers - Structure specifying a image subresource layers

## 5.50.2 C Specification

The VkImageSubresourceLayers structure is defined as:

### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- aspectMask must be a valid combination of VkImageAspectFlagBits values
- aspectMask must not be 0

## 5.50.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkBufferImageCopy, VkImageAspectFlags, VkImageBlit, VkImageCopy, VkImageResolve}$ 

## 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

## 5.51 VklmageSubresourceRange(3)

### 5.51.1 Name

VkImageSubresourceRange - Structure specifying a image subresource range

## 5.51.2 C Specification

The VkImageSubresourceRange structure is defined as:

### 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 <code>baseMipLevel</code> or <code>baseArrayLayer</code>, it can set <code>levelCount</code> and <code>layerCount</code> to the special values <code>VK\_REMAINING\_MIP\_LEVELS</code> and <code>VK\_REMAINING\_ARRAY\_LAYERS</code> 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 layerCount /6, and image array layer baseArrayLayer + i is face index  $i \mod 6$  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;
```

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 <code>aspectMask</code> 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 <code>aspectMask</code> 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- aspectMask must be a valid combination of VkImageAspectFlagBits values
- aspectMask must not be 0

### 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

# 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:

#### 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

Dim, Arrayed,	Image parameters	View parameters
MS		
	imageType = ci.imageType	baseArrayLayer and layerCount are members of
	width = ci.extent.width	the subresourceRange member.
	height = ci.extent.height	
	depth = ci.extent.depth	
	arrayLayers = ci.arrayLayers	
	samples = ci.samples	
	where ci is the	
	VkImageCreateInfo used to	
	create image.	
1D, 0, 0	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_1D</pre>
	1D	baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$
	$width \ge 1$	layerCount = 1
	height = 1	
	depth = 1	
	arrayLayers ≥ 1	
	samples = 1	
1D, 1, 0	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_1D_ARRAY</pre>
12, 1, 0	1D	baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$
	$width \ge 1$	$layerCount \ge 1$
	height = 1	Tayer count Z 1
	depth = 1	
	arrayLayers≥1	
	samples = 1	
2D, 0, 0	imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D</pre>
2D, 0, 0	ImageType = VK_IFIAGE_ITFE_   2D	baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$
	$ v  = 1$ width $\geq 1$	layerCount = 1
	$height \ge 1$	Tayercount - 1
	depth = 1	
	_	
	arrayLayers ≥ 1	
2D 1 0	samples = 1	'
2D, 1, 0	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY</pre>
	2D	baseArrayLayer $\geq 0$
	$width \ge 1$	$layerCount \ge 1$
	$height \ge 1$	
	depth = 1	
	arrayLayers≥1	
	samples = 1	
2D, 0, 1	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D</pre>
	2D	$baseArrayLayer \ge 0$
	width $\geq 1$	layerCount = 1
	height $\geq 1$	
	depth = 1	
	arrayLayers≥1	
	samples > 1	

Table 6: (continued)

Dim, Arrayed,	Image parameters	View parameters
MS		•
2D, 1, 1	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_2D_ARRAY</pre>
	2D	$baseArrayLayer \geq 0$
	$width \ge 1$	$layerCount \ge 1$
	height $\geq 1$	
	depth = 1	
	arrayLayers≥1	
	samples > 1	
<b>CUBE</b> , 0, 0	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE</pre>
	2D	$baseArrayLayer \geq 0$
	$width \ge 1$	layerCount = 6
	height = width	
	depth = 1	
	arrayLayers $\geq 6$	
	samples = 1	
	flags includes VK_IMAGE_	
	CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_	
	BIT	
<b>CUBE</b> , 1, 0	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_CUBE_ARRAY</pre>
	2D	$baseArrayLayer \geq 0$
	$width \ge 1$	$layerCount = 6 \times N, N \ge 1$
	height = width	
	depth = 1	
	$N \geq 1$	
	arrayLayers $\geq 6 imes N$	
	samples = 1	
	flags includes VK_IMAGE_	
	CREATE_CUBE_COMPATIBLE_	
	BIT	
3D, 0, 0	<pre>imageType = VK_IMAGE_TYPE_</pre>	<pre>viewType = VK_VIEW_TYPE_3D</pre>
	3D	baseArrayLayer=0
	$width \ge 1$	layerCount = 1
	height $\geq 1$	
	$depth \ge 1$	
	arrayLayers = 1	
	samples = 1	

# Valid Usage

• If <code>image</code> was not created with <code>VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_CUBE\_COMPATIBLE\_BIT</code> then <code>viewType</code> must not be <code>VK\_IMAGE\_VIEW\_TYPE\_CUBE</code> or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_VIEW\_TYPE\_CUBE\_ARRAY</code>

- 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, <code>format</code> 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\_SRGB\_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\_8x6\_UNORM\_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\_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, VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_UNORM\_BLOCK, OR VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_12x12\_SRGB\_BLOCK
- If the BC texture compression feature is not enabled, <code>format</code> 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\_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::!inearTilingFeatures 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\_ 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_IMAGE\_VIEW\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be 0
- image must be a valid Vk Image 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

### 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 #VkImageViewCreateInfollowers and the property of the pr

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

• 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

# 5.54 VkLayerProperties(3)

### 5.54.1 Name

VkLayerProperties - Structure specifying layer properties

# 5.54.2 C Specification

The VkLayerProperties structure is defined as:

### 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_MAPPED\_MEMORY\_RANGE
- pNext must be NULL
- memory must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle

## 5.55.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:linear_vk_problem} \begin{center} $Vk$ DeviceSize, $Vk$ StructureType, $vk$ Flush Mapped Memory Ranges, $vk$ Invalidate Mapped Memory Ranges $$$ 

### 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

# 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:

### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- stype must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_MEMORY\_ALLOCATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL

# 5.56.5 See Also

VkDeviceSize, VkStructureType, vkAllocateMemory

## 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 #VkMemoryAllocateInfollocateI

# 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:

#### **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

<code>srcAccessMask</code> and <code>dstAccessMask</code>, along with <code>srcStageMask</code> and <code>dstStageMask</code> from <code>vkCmdPipelineBarrier</code>, define the two halves of a memory dependency and an execution dependency. Memory accesses using the set of access types in <code>srcAccessMask</code> performed in pipeline stages in <code>srcStageMask</code> 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 <code>dstAccessMask</code> performed in pipeline stages in <code>dstStageMask</code> 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 = 0x000000004,
```

```
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 = 0x000000080,
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 = 0x000010000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_READ_BIT = 0x00010000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
VK_ACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
VKACCESS_MEMORY_WRITE_BIT = 0x00010000,
```

- 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.

• 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 dstAccessMask 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.

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

Table 7: Supported access flags

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be  $VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_MEMORY\_BARRIER$
- pNext must be NULL
- $\bullet \ \textit{srcAccessMask} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{valid} \ \textbf{combination} \ \textbf{of} \ \texttt{VkAccessFlagBits} \ \textbf{values}$
- dstAccessMask must be a valid combination of VkAccessFlagBits values

## 5.57.5 See Also

## 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

# 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:

#### 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

# 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

# 5.60 VkMemoryType(3)

#### 5.60.1 Name

VkMemoryType - Structure specifying memory type

## 5.60.2 C Specification

The VkMemoryType structure is defined as:

#### 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 for host access using vkMapMemory.
- 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

For more information	n, see the Vulkan Specification at URL	
https://www.khrono	s.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

# 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

 $\label{thm:local_problem} \mbox{VkBufferImageCopy}, \mbox{VkImageResolve}, \mbox{VkSparseImageMemoryBind}$ 

## 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

## 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 shaderStorageImageWriteWithoutFormat;
VkBool32 shaderSumpledImageArrayDynamicIndexing;
shaderSampledImageArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32 shaderStorageBufferArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32 shaderStorageImageArrayDynamicIndexing;
    VkBool32 shaderClipDistance;
    VkBool32 shaderCullDistance;
    VkBool32 shaderFloat64;
    VkBool32 shaderInt64;
    VkBool32 shaderInt16;
    VkBool32 shaderResourceResidency;
    VkBool32 shaderResourceMinLod;
    VkBool32 sparseBinding;
```

```
VkBool32 sparseResidencyImage2D;
VkBool32 sparseResidencyImage3D;
VkBool32 sparseResidency2Samples;
VkBool32 sparseResidency4Samples;
VkBool32 sparseResidency8Samples;
VkBool32 sparseResidency16Samples;
VkBool32 sparseResidency16Samples;
VkBool32 sparseResidencyAliased;
VkBool32 variableMultisampleRate;
VkBool32 inheritedQueries;
} VkPhysicalDeviceFeatures;
```

#### 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.

- \* 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.

- 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<sup>32</sup>-1 when the VkIndexType is VK\_INDEX\_TYPE\_UINT32). If this feature is supported, maxDrawIndexedIndexValue must be 2<sup>32</sup>-1; otherwise it must be no smaller than 2<sup>24</sup>-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\_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.

- 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 <code>lineWidth</code> member of the <code>VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo</code> structure must be set to 1.0 unless the <code>VK\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_LINE\_WIDTH</code> dynamic state is enabled, and the <code>lineWidth</code> parameter to <code>vkCmdSetLineWidth</code> must be set to 1.0. When this feature is supported, the range and granularity of supported line widths are indicated by the <code>lineWidthRange</code> and <code>lineWidthGranularity</code> members of the <code>VkPhysicalDeviceLimits</code> 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:

- 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

- 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

 ${\tt vkGetPhysicalDeviceFormatProperties} \ is \ used \ to \ check \ for \ the \ supported \ properties \ of \ individual \ formats.$ 

- 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).

- 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.

- 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.
- shaderInt 64 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.

- 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 <code>imageType</code> of VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D and <code>samples</code> set to VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_2\_BIT must not be created with VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT set in the <code>flags</code> 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 <code>imageType</code> of VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D and <code>samples</code> set to VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_4\_BIT must not be created with VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT set in the <code>flags</code> 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 <code>imageType</code> of VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D and <code>samples</code> set to VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_8\_BIT must not be created with VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT set in the <code>flags</code> 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 <code>imageType</code> of VK\_IMAGE\_TYPE\_2D and <code>samples</code> set to VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_16\_BIT must not be created with VK\_IMAGE\_CREATE\_SPARSE\_RESIDENCY\_BIT set in the <code>flags</code> 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

# 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;
                        maxImageDimensionCube;
   uint32_t
                        maxImageArrayLayers;
   uint32_t
                        maxTexelBufferElements;
   uint32_t
                        maxUniformBufferRange;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
                        maxStorageBufferRange;
                        maxPushConstantsSize;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
uint32_t
                        maxMemoryAllocationCount;
                        maxSamplerAllocationCount;
   VkDeviceSize
                        bufferImageGranularity;
   VkDeviceSize
                        sparseAddressSpaceSize;
   uint32_t
                        maxBoundDescriptorSets;
   uint32_t
                        maxPerStageDescriptorSamplers;
   uint32_t
                        maxPerStageDescriptorUniformBuffers;
                          maxPerStageDescriptorStorageBuffers;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
                         maxPerStageDescriptorSampledImages;
   uint32_t
                         maxPerStageDescriptorStorageImages;
   uint32_t
                        maxPerStageDescriptorInputAttachments;
                        maxPerStageResources;
   uint32 t
   uint32_t
                        maxDescriptorSetSamplers;
                        maxDescriptorSetUniformBuffers;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
                        maxDescriptorSetUniformBuffersDynamic;
                       maxDescriptorSetStorageBuffers;
maxDescriptorSetStorageBuffersDynamic;
maxDescriptorSetSampledImages;
maxDescriptorSetStorageImages;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
   uint32 t
                        maxDescriptorSetInputAttachments;
   uint32_t
                        maxVertexInputAttributes;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
                         maxVertexInputBindings;
   uint32_t
                         maxVertexInputAttributeOffset;
   uint32_t
                         maxVertexInputBindingStride;
   uint32 t
                         maxVertexOutputComponents;
                          maxTessellationGenerationLevel;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
                          maxTessellationPatchSize;
   uint32_t
                          maxTessellationControlPerVertexInputComponents;
   uint32_t
                          maxTessellationControlPerVertexOutputComponents;
                          maxTessellationControlPerPatchOutputComponents;
   uint32_t
   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;
                      maxFragmentInputComponents;
uint32_t
uint32 t
                     maxFragmentOutputAttachments;
uint32 t
                     maxFragmentDualSrcAttachments;
uint32_t
                     maxFragmentCombinedOutputResources;
                     maxComputeSharedMemorySize;
uint32_t
uint32 t
                     maxComputeWorkGroupCount[3];
uint32_t
                     maxComputeWorkGroupInvocations;
                    maxComputeWorkGroupSize[3];
uint32 t
uint32_t
                     subPixelPrecisionBits:
                     subTexelPrecisionBits;
uint32 t
uint32_t
                    mipmapPrecisionBits;
uint32_t
                    maxDrawIndexedIndexValue;
uint32_t
                     maxDrawIndirectCount;
                     maxSamplerLodBias;
float
                    maxSamplerAnisotropy;
float
uint32 t
                    maxViewports;
uint32_t
                    maxViewportDimensions[2];
                     viewportBoundsRange[2];
float
uint32_t
                     viewportSubPixelBits;
size_t
                     minMemoryMapAlignment;
                    minTexelBufferOffsetAlignment;
VkDeviceSize
VkDeviceSize
                     minUniformBufferOffsetAlignment;
                    minStorageBufferOffsetAlignment;
VkDeviceSize
int32_t
                     minTexelOffset;
uint32_t
                     maxTexelOffset;
int32 t
                     minTexelGatherOffset;
                     maxTexelGatherOffset;
uint32_t
float
                     minInterpolationOffset;
float
                     maxInterpolationOffset;
uint32_t
                     subPixelInterpolationOffsetBits;
                     maxFramebufferWidth;
uint32_t
uint32_t
                     maxFramebufferHeight;
uint32_t
                     maxFramebufferLayers;
VkSampleCountFlags
                     framebufferColorSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferDepthSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferStencilSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags framebufferNoAttachmentsSampleCounts;
                     maxColorAttachments;
uint32_t
VkSampleCountFlags
                     sampledImageColorSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags
                     sampledImageIntegerSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags
                     sampledImageDepthSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags
                     sampledImageStencilSampleCounts;
VkSampleCountFlags
                     storageImageSampleCounts;
uint32_t
                      maxSampleMaskWords;
VkBool32
                      timestampComputeAndGraphics;
float
                      timestampPeriod;
                     maxClipDistances;
uint32_t
uint32_t
                     maxCullDistances;
                     maxCombinedClipAndCullDistances;
uint32_t
uint32_t
                     discreteQueuePriorities;
float
                     pointSizeRange[2];
float
                     lineWidthRange[2];
float
                     pointSizeGranularity;
float.
                     lineWidthGranularity;
VkBool32
                    strictLines;
```

```
VkBool32 standardSampleLocations;
VkDeviceSize optimalBufferCopyOffsetAlignment;
VkDeviceSize optimalBufferCopyRowPitchAlignment;
VkDeviceSize nonCoherentAtomSize;
VkPhysicalDeviceLimits;
```

#### **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 [?].

- 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\_STORAGE\_IMAGE, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_UNIFORM\_TEXEL\_BUFFER, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_TEXEL\_BUFFER, VK\_DESCRIPTOR\_TYPE\_STORAGE\_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\_DYNAMIC count against this limit. See [?] and [?].

- 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\_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 [?].

- 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.

- 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<sup>subTexelPrecisionBits</sup> 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<sup>mipmapPrecisionBits</sup> is the actual number of divisions.



#### 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).

- 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 0xFFFFFFF. 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 [-maxSamplerLodBias,+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 [minimum, maximum] range that the corners of a viewport must be contained in. This range must be at least
  - $[-2 \times size, 2 \times size 1]$ , where size = max(maxViewportDimensions[0], maxViewportDimensions[1]) See Controlling the Viewport.

#### Note



The intent of the <code>viewportBoundsRange</code> 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 <code>[-size+1, 2 × size-1]</code> 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.

- *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 of VkSampleCountFlagBits bits indicating the supported depth sample counts for all framebuffer depth/stencil attachments, when the format includes a depth component.

- 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.
- $\bullet$  framebufferNoAttachmentsSampleCounts is a bitmask 1 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 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 [?].

- 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.

### 5.64.4 Description

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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 = 0x000000040,
} 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.

# 5.64.5 See Also

VkBool32, VkDeviceSize, VkPhysicalDeviceProperties, VkSampleCountFlags

## 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

# 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:

#### 5.65.3 Members

- memoryTypeCount is the number of valid elements in the memoryTypes 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 memoryHeaps 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 <code>memoryHeapCount</code> and is less than or equal to <code>VK\_MAX\_MEMORY\_HEAPS</code>. Each heap is described by an element of the <code>memoryHeaps</code> array, as a <code>VkMemoryHeap</code> structure. The number of memory types available across all memory heaps is given by <code>memoryTypeCount</code> and is less than or equal to <code>VK\_MAX\_MEMORY\_TYPES</code>. Each memory type is described by an element of the <code>memoryTypes</code> array, as a <code>VkMemoryType</code> 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:

- 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  $X \le Y$  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  $(X \le Y) \land \neg (Y \le X)$  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:

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

# 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;
                                        deviceName[VK_MAX_PHYSICAL_DEVICE_NAME_SIZE];
   char
   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 <code>vendorID</code> and <code>deviceID</code> 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 <code>vendorID</code> and <code>deviceID</code> 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:

- 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 <code>vendorID</code> as described above for PCI-based implementations. Implementations that do not return a PCI vendor ID in <code>vendorID</code> 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 <code>deviceID</code>. 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

## 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.

# 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

# 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:

#### 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

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## 5.68.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:policy} \mbox{VkPipelineCacheCreateFlags}, \mbox{VkStructureType}, \mbox{vkCreatePipelineCache}$ 

## 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 #VkPipelineCacheCreateInfollowers and the property of th

# 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;
                         srcColorBlendFactor;
   VkBlendFactor
   VkBlendFactor
                         dstColorBlendFactor;
                         colorBlendOp;
   VkBlendOp
   VkBlendFactor
                         srcAlphaBlendFactor;
   VkBlendFactor
                         dstAlphaBlendFactor;
                         alphaBlendOp;
   VkBlendOp
   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.
- $\bullet$  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<sub>r</sub>,D<sub>g</sub>,D<sub>b</sub>).
- 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<sub>a</sub>.
- dstAlphaBlendFactor selects which blend factor is used to determine the destination factor D<sub>a</sub>.
- 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

• If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, <code>srcColorBlendFactor</code> 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, <code>dstColorBlendFactor</code> must not be <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_COLOR</code>, <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_COLOR</code>, <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_ALPHA</code>, or <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_ALPHA</code>
- If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, <code>srcAlphaBlendFactor</code> must not be <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_COLOR</code>, <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_ALPHA</code>, or <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_ALPHA</code>
- If the dual source blending feature is not enabled, <code>dstAlphaBlendFactor</code> must not be <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_COLOR</code>, <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_COLOR</code>, <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_SRC1\_ALPHA</code>, or <code>VK\_BLEND\_FACTOR\_ONE\_MINUS\_SRC1\_ALPHA</code>

- srcColorBlendFactor must be a valid VkBlendFactor value
- dstColorBlendFactor must be a valid VkBlendFactor value
- 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

## 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

# 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;
                                                  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.

Valid Usage
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- If the independent blending feature is not enabled, all elements of pAttachments must be identical
- If the logic operations feature is not enabled, <code>logicOpEnable</code> must be <code>VK\_FALSE</code>
- If logicOpEnable is VK\_TRUE, logicOp must be a valid VkLogicOp value

- 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

#### 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

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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;
                                               pNext;
   const void*
   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.
- $\bullet \ \ \textit{stencilTestEnable} \ \textbf{controls} \ \textbf{whether} \ \textbf{stencil} \ \textbf{testing} \ \textbf{is} \ \textbf{enabled}.$
- 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

# Valid Usage

• If the depth bounds testing feature is not enabled, depthBoundsTestEnable must be VK\_FALSE

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_DYNAMIC\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be 0
- $\bullet \ \textit{pDynamicStates} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{pointer} \ \textbf{to} \ \textbf{an array} \ \textbf{of} \ \textit{dynamicStateCount} \ \textbf{valid} \ \texttt{VkDynamicState} \ \textbf{values}$
- dynamicStateCount must be greater than 0

#### 5.72.5 See Also

VkDynamicState, VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, VkPipelineDynamicStateCreateFlags, VkStructureType

# 5.72.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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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:

#### 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 <code>vertexOffset</code> value to the index value.

- If topology is VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_POINT\_LIST, VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_LINE\_LIST, VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_LINE\_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, <code>topology</code> must not be any of <code>VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_LINE\_LIST\_WITH\_ADJACENCY</code>, <code>VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_LINE\_STRIP\_WITH\_ADJACENCY</code>, <code>VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_TRIANGLE\_LIST\_WITH\_ADJACENCY</code> or <code>VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_TRIANGLE\_STRIP\_WITH\_ADJACENCY</code>

  TRIANGLE\_STRIP\_WITH\_ADJACENCY
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, topology must not be VK\_PRIMITIVE\_TOPOLOGY\_PATCH\_LIST

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_INPUT\_ASSEMBLY\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be 0
- topology must be a valid VkPrimitiveTopology value

#### 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

# 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:

#### **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.

## 5.74.4 Description

Valid Usage

- 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
- Any two elements of pPushConstantRanges must not include the same stage in stageFlags

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 5.74.5 See Also

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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;
                                             pNext;
   const void*
   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

# Valid Usage

- If the sample rate shading feature is not enabled, <code>sampleShadingEnable</code> 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]

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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  $\lceil \frac{rasterizationSamples}{32} \rceil$  VkSampleMask values

## 5.75.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:problem} VkBool32, VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, VkPipelineMultisampleStateCreateFlags, VkSampleCountFlagBits, VkSampleMask, VkStructureType$ 

## 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

# 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;
                                                pNext;
   const void*
   VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags
                                               flags;
                                                depthClampEnable;
   VkBool32
   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.
- $\bullet \ \textit{cullMode} \ is \ the \ triangle \ facing \ direction \ used \ for \ primitive \ culling. \ See \ \verb|VkCullModeFlagBits|.$
- 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.
- $\bullet \ \ \textit{depthBiasSlopeFactor} \ is \ a \ scalar \ factor \ applied \ to \ a \ fragment's \ slope \ in \ depth \ bias \ calculations.$
- lineWidth is the width of rasterized line segments.

# 5.76.4 Description

# Valid Usage

- 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

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- stype must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_RASTERIZATION\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- 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

## 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

# 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:

#### 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 = 0x000000004,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_GEOMETRY_BIT = 0x000000008,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_FRAGMENT_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_COMPUTE_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL_GRAPHICS = 0x0000001F,
    VK_SHADER_STAGE_ALL = 0x7FFFFFFFF,
} 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

## Valid Usage

- 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, <code>stage</code> must not be <code>VK\_SHADER\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_SHADER\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_BIT</code>
- 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
- 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

- 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

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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

• patchControlPoints must be greater than zero and less than or equal to VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxTessellationPatchSize

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_TESSELLATION\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be 0

# 5.78.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:prop} \begin{tabular}{ll} VkGraphicsPipelineCreateInfo, VkPipelineTessellationStateCreateFlags, \\ VkStructureType \end{tabular}$ 

# 5.78.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

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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:

#### **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

- 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

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_PIPELINE\_VERTEX\_INPUT\_STATE\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be 0
- 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

#### 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

# 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:

## 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

- 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

- 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
- $\bullet$   $\ scissorCount$  must be greater than 0

## 5.80.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:policy} Wk Graphics Pipeline Create Info, Vk Pipeline Viewport State Create Flags, Vk Rect 2D, Vk Structure Type, Vk Viewport$ 

#### 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

# 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:

#### 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

- offset must be less than VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxPushConstantsSize
- size must be greater than 0
- size must be a multiple of 4
- $\bullet \textit{ size } \textbf{must be less than or equal to } \textbf{VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::} \textit{maxPushConstantsSize } \textbf{minus } \textit{offset } \textbf{minus } \textbf{offset } \textbf{minus } \textbf{minus } \textbf{minus } \textbf{offset } \textbf$

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- stageFlags must be a valid combination of VkShaderStageFlagBits values
- stageFlags must not be 0

# 5.81.5 See Also

VkPipelineLayoutCreateInfo,VkShaderStageFlags

# 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 #VkPushConstantRangeres/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkPushConstantRangeres/1.0/xhtml #VkPushConstantR

# 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:

#### 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

- 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

- sType must be VK\_STRUCTURE\_TYPE\_QUERY\_POOL\_CREATE\_INFO
- pNext must be NULL
- flags must be 0
- queryType must be a valid VkQueryType value

## 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

# 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:

#### 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.
- $\bullet \ \ if \ VK\_QUEUE\_COMPUTE\_BIT \ is \ set, \ then \ the \ queues \ in \ this \ queue \ family \ support \ compute \ operations.$
- 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.

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 VkOffset 3D 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.
- (A<sub>x</sub>, A<sub>y</sub>, A<sub>z</sub>) where A<sub>x</sub>, A<sub>y</sub>, and A<sub>z</sub> are all integer powers of two. In this case the following restrictions apply to all image transfer operations:
  - -x, y, and z of a VkOffset 3D parameter must be integer multiples of  $A_x$ ,  $A_y$ , and  $A_z$ , respectively.
  - width of a VkExtent3D parameter must be an integer multiple of  $A_x$ , 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  $A_y$ , 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  $A_z$ , 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

# 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

# 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;
                       renderPass;
   VkRenderPass
   VkFramebuffer
                       framebuffer;
   VkRect2D
                       renderArea;
   uint32_t
                        clearValueCount;
   const VkClearValue*
                        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 VkClearValue 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 <code>framebuffer</code>. 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.

# Valid Usage

- 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
- renderPass must be compatible with the renderPass member of the VkFramebufferCreateInfo structure specified when creating framebuffer.

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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 VkClearValue unions
- Both of framebuffer, and renderPass must have been created, allocated, or retrieved from the same VkDevice

#### 5.85.5 See Also

#### 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

# 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;
                                     pNext;
   const void*
   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

## Valid Usage

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## 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

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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 misFilter
    VkFilter minFilter;
VkSamplerMipmapMode mipmapMode;
VkSamplerAddressMode addressModeU;
    VkSamplerAddressMode addressModeV;
    VkSamplerAddressMode addressModeW;
    float
                             mipLodBias;
    VkBool32
                              anisotropyEnable;
    float
                             maxAnisotropy;
    VkBool32
                              compareEnable;
                             compareOp;
    VkCompareOp
                              minLod;
    float
                             maxLod;
borderColor;
    float
    VkBorderColor
    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,
} 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;
```

- addressModeU is the addressing mode for outside [0..1] range for U coordinate. See VkSamplerAddressMode.
- $\bullet \ \ \textit{addressModeV} \ is \ the \ addressing \ mode \ for \ outside \ [0..1] \ range \ for \ V \ coordinate. \ See \ VkSamplerAddressMode.$
- 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.

- 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

#### Mapping of OpenGL to Vulkan filter modes

magFilter values of VK\_FILTER\_NEAREST and VK\_FILTER\_LINEAR directly correspond to **GL\_NEA REST** 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.

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.

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 <code>maxSamplerAllocationCount limit</code>.

### Valid Usage

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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
- $\bullet \ \textit{addressModeU} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{valid} \ \textbf{VkSamplerAddressMode} \ \textbf{value} \\$
- addressModeV must be a valid VkSamplerAddressMode value
- addressModeW must be a valid VkSamplerAddressMode value

#### 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 #VkSamplerCreateInfollowers and the state of the control of the state of the s

## 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## 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:

#### 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

- 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
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

## 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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## 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:

#### 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 = 0x000000004,
} 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 <code>imageGranularity</code> 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

## 5.92 VkSparselmageMemoryBind(3)

#### 5.92.1 Name

VkSparseImageMemoryBind - Structure specifying sparse image memory bind

## 5.92.2 C Specification

The VkSparseImageMemoryBind structure is defined as:

#### 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

- 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
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

#### 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

## 5.93 VkSparselmageMemoryBindInfo(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:

#### 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## 5.94 VkSparselmageMemoryRequirements(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 <code>formatProperties.imageGranularity</code> 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).

## 5.94.4 Description

## 5.94.5 See Also

## 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

## 5.95 VkSparselmageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo(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:

#### 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

• 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

# 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 #VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfollowers and the state of the st

## 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:

#### 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:

```
metadataRegion = [base, base + {\it imageMipTailSize}) base = {\it imageMipTailOffset} + {\it imageMipTailStride} \times n
```

and <code>imageMipTailOffset</code>, <code>imageMipTailSize</code>, and <code>imageMipTailStride</code> values are from the <code>VkSparseImageMemoryRequirements</code> corresponding to the metadata aspect of the image, and n is a valid array layer index for the image,

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 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- If memory is not VK\_NULL\_HANDLE, memory must be a valid VkDeviceMemory handle
- flags must be a valid combination of VkSparseMemoryBindFlagBits values

#### 5.96.5 See Also

VkDeviceMemory, VkDeviceSize, VkSparseBufferMemoryBindInfo, VkSparseImageOpaqueMemoryBindInfo, VkSparseMemoryBindFlags

## 5.96.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

# 5.97 VkSpecializationInfo(3)

#### 5.97.1 Name

VkSpecializationInfo - Structure specifying specialization info

## 5.97.2 C Specification

The  $\mbox{VkSpecializationInfo}$  structure is defined as:

#### 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## 5.97.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkPipelineShaderStageCreateInfo, VkSpecializationMapEntry}$ 

## 5.97.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkSpecializationInfo

# 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

- constant ID 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 constant ID 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 constant ID specialization constant declared in a shader, size must match the byte size of the constant ID. 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

## 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 (Implicit)

- 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

## 5.99.5 See Also

 $\label{thm:compareOp} \mbox{VkCompareOp, VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo, VkStencilOp} \\$ 

### 5.99.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkStencilOpState/properties and the properties of the properties of

## 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;
                                 pNext;
   const void*
   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.

## 5.100.4 Description

## Valid Usage

- 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
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• 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

#### 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

## 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:

#### 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.

• All commands after the render pass instance, if dstSubpass is VK\_SUBPASS\_EXTERNAL.

When <code>srcSubpass</code> equals <code>dstSubpass</code> then the first set consists of commands in the subpass before a call to <code>vkCmdPipelineBarrier</code> 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

- 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, <code>dstStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY SHADER BIT</code>
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, <code>srcStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code>
  <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code>
  <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>
- If the tessellation shaders feature is not enabled, <code>dstStageMask</code> must not contain <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_</code>
  <code>TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_EVALUATION\_</code>
  <code>SHADER\_BIT</code>
- 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\_SHADER\_BIT, VK\_ PIPELINE\_STAGE\_VERTEX\_SHADER\_BIT, VK\_ PIPELINE\_STAGE\_TESSELLATION\_CONTROL\_SHADER\_BIT, VK\_PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT, VK\_ PIPELINE\_STAGE\_GEOMETRY\_SHADER\_BIT, VK\_ PIPELINE\_STAGE\_FRAGMENT\_TESTS\_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

### Valid Usage (Implicit)

• srcStageMask must be a valid combination of VkPipelineStageFlagBits values

- srcStageMask must not be 0
- $\bullet \ \textit{dstStageMask} \ \textbf{must} \ \textbf{be} \ \textbf{a} \ \textbf{valid} \ \textbf{combination} \ \textbf{of} \ \texttt{VkPipelineStageFlagBits} \ \textbf{values}$
- 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

### 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

# 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

- pipelineBindPoint must be VK\_PIPELINE\_BIND\_POINT\_GRAPHICS
- colorAttachmentCount 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 <code>loadOp</code> must not be <code>VK\_ATTACHMENT\_LOAD\_OP\_CLEAR</code>
- 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
- $\bullet \ \, \textbf{Any given element of} \ \textit{pResolveAttachments} \ \textbf{must have a sample count of} \ \texttt{VK\_SAMPLE\_COUNT\_1\_BIT}$
- 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 <code>layout</code>

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

### 5.102.5 See Also

### 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

## 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, <code>rowPitch</code>, <code>arrayPitch</code> and <code>depthPitch</code> describe the layout of the image subresource in linear memory. For uncompressed formats, <code>rowPitch</code> is the number of bytes between texels with the same x coordinate in adjacent rows (y coordinates differ by one). <code>arrayPitch</code> 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). <code>depthPitch</code> 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*elementSize + \leftrightarrow 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* 
compressedTexelBlockByteSize + offset;
```

arrayPitch is undefined for images that were not created as arrays. depthPitch is defined only for 3D images.

For color formats, the <code>aspectMask</code> member of <code>VkImageSubresource</code> must be <code>VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_COLOR\_BIT</code>. For depth/stencil formats, <code>aspectMask</code> must be either <code>VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_DEPTH\_BIT</code> or <code>VK\_IMAGE\_ASPECT\_STENCIL\_BIT</code>. On implementations that store depth and stencil aspects separately, querying each of these image subresource layouts will return a different <code>offset</code> and <code>size</code> representing the region of memory used for that aspect. On implementations that store depth and stencil aspects interleaved, the same <code>offset</code> and <code>size</code> 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

# 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

- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

• format must be a valid VkFormat value

# 5.104.5 See Also

VkFormat, VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo

# 5.104.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkVertexInputAttributeDescription with the property of the property of

# 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:

#### 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

- binding must be less than VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindings
- stride must be less than or equal to VkPhysicalDeviceLimits::maxVertexInputBindingStride

# Valid Usage (Implicit)

• inputRate must be a valid VkVertexInputRate value

## 5.105.5 See Also

 ${\tt VkPipelineVertexInputStateCreateInfo, VkVertexInputRate}$ 

## 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

# 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  $k \in \{0, 1, ..., 2^m-1\}$ , 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

```
o_x = x + width/2
o_y = y + height/2
o_z = minDepth
p_x = width
p_y = height
p_z = maxDepth - minDepth.
```

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.

## 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]
- $\bullet \ \ x \ and \ y \ must \ each \ be \ between \ \textit{viewportBoundsRange}[0] \ and \ \textit{viewportBoundsRange}[1], inclusive \\$
- 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

#### 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

# 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;
                               pNext;
   const void*
   VkDescriptorSet
                               dstSet;
                               dstBinding;
   uint32_t
   uint32_t
                               dstArrayElement;
   uint32_t
                              descriptorCount;
   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.

### 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 <code>dstBinding</code> has fewer than <code>descriptorCount</code> array elements remaining starting from <code>dstArrayElement</code>, then the remainder will be used to update the subsequent binding - <code>dstBinding+1</code> starting at array element zero. This behavior applies recursively, with the update affecting consecutive bindings as needed to update all <code>descriptorCount</code> descriptors. All consecutive bindings updated via a single <code>VkWriteDescriptorSet</code> structure must have identical <code>descriptorType</code> and <code>stageFlags</code>, and must all either use immutable samplers or must all not use immutable samplers.

### Valid Usage

- 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
- 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

## Valid Usage (Implicit)

- 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

## 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

https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkWriteDescriptorSet

### 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

# 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

# 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

# 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 #VkAttachmentStoreOping. The property of the property of

# 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	Alpha Blend
	$(S_r,S_g,S_b)$ or $(D_r,D_g,D_b)$	Factor (Sa or
		$\mathbf{D_a}$ )
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 <sub>d</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_DST_COLOR	$(1-R_d, 1-G_d, 1-B_d)$	1-A <sub>d</sub>
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 <sub>d</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_DST_ALPHA	$(1-A_d, 1-A_d, 1-A_d)$	1-A <sub>d</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_CONSTANT_COLOR	$(R_c,G_c,B_c)$	A <sub>c</sub>

Table 8: (continued)

VkBlendFactor	RGB Blend Factors (S <sub>r</sub> ,S <sub>g</sub> ,S <sub>b</sub> ) or (D <sub>r</sub> ,D <sub>g</sub> ,D <sub>b</sub> )	Alpha Blend Factor (S <sub>a</sub> or D <sub>a</sub> )
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 <sub>c</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_ALPHA	$(1-A_c, 1-A_c, 1-A_c)$	1-A <sub>c</sub>
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 <sub>s1</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_COLOR	$(1-R_{s1},1-G_{s1},1-B_{s1})$	1-A <sub>s1</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_SRC1_ALPHA	$(A_{s1}, A_{s1}, A_{s1})$	A <sub>s1</sub>
VK_BLEND_FACTOR_ONE_MINUS_SRC1_ALPHA	$(1-A_{s1},1-A_{s1},1-A_{s1})$	1-A <sub>s1</sub>

In this table, the following conventions are used:

- R<sub>s0</sub>,G<sub>s0</sub>,B<sub>s0</sub> and A<sub>s0</sub> 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<sub>s1</sub>,G<sub>s1</sub>,B<sub>s1</sub> and A<sub>s1</sub> 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<sub>d</sub>,G<sub>d</sub>,B<sub>d</sub> and A<sub>d</sub> 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<sub>c</sub>,G<sub>c</sub>,B<sub>c</sub> and A<sub>c</sub> 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

# 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

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	$R = R_{s0} \times S_r + R_d \times D_r$	$A = A_{s0} \times S_a + A_d \times D_a$
	$G = G_{s0} \times S_g + G_d \times D_g$	
	$B = B_{s0} \times S_b + B_d \times D_b$	
VK_BLEND_OP_SUBTRACT	$R = R_{s0} \times S_r - R_d \times D_r$	$A = A_{s0} \times S_a - A_d \times D_a$
	$G = G_{s0} \times S_g - G_d \times D_g$	
	$B = B_{s0} \times S_b - B_d \times D_b$	
VK_BLEND_OP_REVERSE_SUBTRACT	$R = R_d \times D_r - R_{s0} \times S_r$	$A = A_d \times D_a - A_{s0} \times S_a$
	$G = G_d \times D_g - G_{s0} \times S_g$	
	$B = B_d \times D_b - B_{s0} \times S_b$	
VK_BLEND_OP_MIN	$R = \min(R_{s0}, R_d)$	$A = \min(A_{s0}, A_d)$
	$G = \min(G_{s0}, G_d)$	
	$B = \min(B_{s0}, B_d)$	
VK_BLEND_OP_MAX	$R = \max(R_{s0}, R_d)$	$A = \max(A_{s0}, A_d)$
	$G = \max(G_{s0}, G_d)$	
	$B = \max(B_{s0}, B_d)$	

In this table, the following conventions are used:

- R<sub>s0</sub>, G<sub>s0</sub>, B<sub>s0</sub> and A<sub>s0</sub> represent the first source color R, G, B, and A components, respectively.
- R<sub>d</sub>, G<sub>d</sub>, B<sub>d</sub> and A<sub>d</sub> 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<sub>r</sub>, D<sub>g</sub>, D<sub>b</sub> and D<sub>a</sub> 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  $R_{s0}$ ,  $G_{s0}$ ,  $G_{s0}$ , and  $G_{s0}$ , 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

# 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

# 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

# 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 = 0x000000004,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000008,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_UNIFORM_BUFFER_BIT = 0x00000010,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_STORAGE_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000020,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_INDEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000040,
    VK_BUFFER_USAGE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000080,
    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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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 = 0x000000004,
} 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

# 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

# 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

# 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_EQUAL = 3,
   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

# 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_B = 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

# 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 <code>cullMode</code> is set to <code>VK\_CULL\_MODE\_NONE</code> no triangles are discarded, if it is set to <code>VK\_CULL\_MODE\_FRONT\_BIT</code> front-facing triangles are discarded, if it is set to <code>VK\_CULL\_MODE\_BACK\_BIT</code> then back-facing triangles are discarded and if it is set to <code>VK\_CULL\_MODE\_FRONT\_AND\_BACK</code> 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

# 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

# 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

# 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\_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

# 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_DEPTH_BOUNSTANTS = 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 <code>lineWidth</code> 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.

- 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 <code>compareMask</code> state in VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo for both <code>front</code> and <code>back</code> will be ignored and must be set dynamically with <code>vkCmdSetStencilCompareMask</code> before any draws are performed with a pipeline state with VkPipelineDepthStencilStateCreateInfo member <code>stencilTestEnable</code> 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

# 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:

- $\bullet$  The reference page for  ${\tt VkFenceCreateInfo},$  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

# 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,
} 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,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_SINT = 28,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8_SRGB = 29,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_UNORM = 30,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_SNORM = 31,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_USCALED = 32,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_SSCALED = 33,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_UINT = 34,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_SINT = 35,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8_SRGB = 36,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_UNORM = 37,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_SNORM = 38,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_USCALED = 39,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_SSCALED = 40,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_UINT = 41,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_SINT = 42,
    VK_FORMAT_R8G8B8A8_SRGB = 43,
    VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_UNORM = 44,
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VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_SNORM = 45,
VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_USCALED = 46,
VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_SSCALED = 47,
VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_UINT = 48,
VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_SINT = 49,
VK_FORMAT_B8G8R8A8_SRGB = 50,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_UNORM_PACK32 = 51,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_SNORM_PACK32 = 52,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_USCALED_PACK32 = 53,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_SSCALED_PACK32 = 54,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_UINT_PACK32 = 55,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_SINT_PACK32 = 56,
VK_FORMAT_A8B8G8R8_SRGB_PACK32 = 57,
VK_FORMAT_A2R10G10B10_UNORM_PACK32 = 58,
VK_FORMAT_A2R10G10B10_SNORM_PACK32 = 59,
VK_FORMAT_A2R10G10B10_USCALED_PACK32 = 60,
VK_FORMAT_A2R10G10B10_SSCALED_PACK32 = 61,
VK_FORMAT_A2R10G10B10_UINT_PACK32 = 62,
VK_FORMAT_A2R10G10B10_SINT_PACK32 = 63,
VK_FORMAT_A2B10G10R10_UNORM_PACK32 = 64,
VK_FORMAT_A2B10G10R10_SNORM_PACK32 = 65,
VK_FORMAT_A2B10G10R10_USCALED_PACK32 = 66,
VK_FORMAT_A2B10G10R10_SSCALED_PACK32 = 67,
VK_FORMAT_A2B10G10R10_UINT_PACK32 = 68,
VK_FORMAT_A2B10G10R10_SINT_PACK32 = 69,
VK_FORMAT_R16_UNORM = 70,
VK_FORMAT_R16_SNORM = 71,
VK_FORMAT_R16_USCALED = 72,
VK_FORMAT_R16_SSCALED = 73,
VK FORMAT R16 UINT = 74,
VK_FORMAT_R16_SINT = 75,
VK_FORMAT_R16_SFLOAT = 76,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16_UNORM = 77,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16_SNORM = 78,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16_USCALED = 79,
VK FORMAT R16G16 SSCALED = 80,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16_UINT = 81,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16_SINT = 82
VK_FORMAT_R16G16_SFLOAT = 83,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_UNORM = 84,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_SNORM = 85,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_USCALED = 86,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_SSCALED = 87,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_UINT = 88,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_SINT = 89,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16_SFLOAT = 90,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_UNORM = 91,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_SNORM = 92,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_USCALED = 93,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_SSCALED = 94,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_UINT = 95,
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_SINT = 96
VK_FORMAT_R16G16B16A16_SFLOAT = 97,
VK_FORMAT_R32_UINT = 98,
VK_FORMAT_R32_SINT = 99,
VK_FORMAT_R32_SFLOAT = 100,
VK_FORMAT_R32G32_UINT = 101,
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VK_FORMAT_R32G32_SINT = 102
VK_FORMAT_R32G32_SFLOAT = 103,
VK_FORMAT_R32G32B32_UINT = 104
VK_FORMAT_R32G32B32_SINT = 105,
VK_FORMAT_R32G32B32_SFLOAT = 106,
VK_FORMAT_R32G32B32A32_UINT = 107,
VK_FORMAT_R32G32B32A32_SINT = 108,
VK_FORMAT_R32G32B32A32_SFLOAT = 109
VK_FORMAT_R64_UINT = 110,
VK_FORMAT_R64_SINT = 111,
VK_FORMAT_R64_SFLOAT = 112,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64_UINT = 113,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64_SINT = 114,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64_SFLOAT = 115,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64B64_UINT = 116,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64B64_SINT = 117,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64B64_SFLOAT = 118,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64B64A64_UINT = 119
VK_FORMAT_R64G64B64A64_SINT = 120,
VK_FORMAT_R64G64B64A64_SFLOAT = 121,
VK_FORMAT_B10G11R11_UFLOAT_PACK32 = 122,
VK_FORMAT_E5B9G9R9_UFLOAT_PACK32 = 123,
VK_FORMAT_D16_UNORM = 124,
VK_FORMAT_X8_D24_UNORM_PACK32 = 125,
VK_FORMAT_D32_SFLOAT = 126,
VK_FORMAT_S8_UINT = 127,
VK_FORMAT_D16_UNORM_S8_UINT = 128,
VK_FORMAT_D24_UNORM_S8_UINT = 129,
VK_FORMAT_D32_SFLOAT_S8_UINT = 130,
VK_FORMAT_BC1_RGB_UNORM_BLOCK = 131,
VK_FORMAT_BC1_RGB_SRGB_BLOCK = 132,
VK_FORMAT_BC1_RGBA_UNORM_BLOCK = 133,
VK_FORMAT_BC1_RGBA_SRGB_BLOCK = 134,
VK_FORMAT_BC2_UNORM_BLOCK = 135,
VK_FORMAT_BC2_SRGB_BLOCK = 136,
VK FORMAT BC3 UNORM BLOCK = 137,
VK_FORMAT_BC3_SRGB_BLOCK = 138,
VK_FORMAT_BC4_UNORM_BLOCK = 139,
VK_FORMAT_BC4_SNORM_BLOCK = 140,
VK_FORMAT_BC5_UNORM_BLOCK = 141,
VK_FORMAT_BC5_SNORM_BLOCK = 142,
VK_FORMAT_BC6H_UFLOAT_BLOCK = 143,
VK_FORMAT_BC6H_SFLOAT_BLOCK = 144,
VK_FORMAT_BC7_UNORM_BLOCK = 145,
VK_FORMAT_BC7_SRGB_BLOCK = 146,
VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8_UNORM_BLOCK = 147,
VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8_SRGB_BLOCK = 148,
VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A1_UNORM_BLOCK = 149,
VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A1_SRGB_BLOCK = 150,
VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A8_UNORM_BLOCK = 151,
VK_FORMAT_ETC2_R8G8B8A8_SRGB_BLOCK = 152,
VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11_UNORM_BLOCK = 153,
VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11_SNORM_BLOCK = 154,
VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11G11_UNORM_BLOCK = 155,
VK_FORMAT_EAC_R11G11_SNORM_BLOCK = 156,
VK_FORMAT_ASTC_4x4_UNORM_BLOCK = 157,
VK_FORMAT_ASTC_4x4_SRGB_BLOCK = 158,
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VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x4_UNORM_BLOCK = 159,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x4_SRGB_BLOCK = 160,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x5_UNORM_BLOCK = 161,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_5x5_SRGB_BLOCK = 162,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x5_UNORM_BLOCK = 163,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x5_SRGB_BLOCK = 164,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x6_UNORM_BLOCK = 165,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_6x6_SRGB_BLOCK = 166,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x5_UNORM_BLOCK = 167,
   VK FORMAT ASTC 8x5 SRGB BLOCK = 168,
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   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_8x8_SRGB_BLOCK = 172,
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   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_10x10_SRGB_BLOCK = 180,
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   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_12x12_UNORM_BLOCK = 183,
   VK_FORMAT_ASTC_12x12_SRGB_BLOCK = 184,
} VkFormat;
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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.

### 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.

#### 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.

### 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.

# VK\_FORMAT\_B8G8R8A8\_USCALED

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.

#### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

### 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.

#### 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.

# $VK\_FORMAT\_ASTC\_10 x 5\_SRGB\_BLOCK$

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.

#### 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

# 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 = 0x000000004,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_UNIFORM_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000008,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000010,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_STORAGE_TEXEL_BUFFER_ATOMIC_BIT = 0x00000020,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_VERTEX_BUFFER_BIT = 0x000000040,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x000000000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_BLEND_BIT = 0x000000100,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_SRC_BIT = 0x000000400,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_SRC_BIT = 0x000000000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT = 0x000000000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_BLIT_DST_BIT = 0x000000000,
    VK_FORMAT_FEATURE_SAMPLED_IMAGE_FILTER_LINEAR_BIT = 0x000001000,
} 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 ith vertex of the n-vertex polygon (vertices are numbered starting at zero for the purposes of this computation) and  $i \oplus 1$  is  $(i + 1) \mod n$ .

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

 ${\tt VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo}$ 

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 6.30 VklmageLayout(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,
} 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. Only image subresources

of images created with VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_SAMPLED\_BIT can be used as sampled image or combined image/sampler in a shader. Similarly, only image subresources of images created with VK\_IMAGE\_USAGE\_INPUT\_ATTACHMENT\_BIT can be used as input attachments.

- 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

# 6.31 VklmageTiling(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

# 6.32 VklmageType(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

# 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 = 0x000000020,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_TRANSIENT_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x000000040,
    VK_IMAGE_USAGE_INPUT_ATTACHMENT_BIT = 0x000000080,
} 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.

# 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

# 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_2D_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

# 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

# 6.37 VkLogicOp(3)

### 6.37.1 Name

VkLogicOp - Framebuffer logical operations

## 6.37.2 C Specification

Logical operations are controlled by the <code>logicOpEnable</code> and <code>logicOp</code> members of

VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateInfo. If <code>logicOpEnable</code> is VK\_TRUE, then a logical operation selected by <code>logicOp</code> 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 <code>logicOp</code> 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

The logical operations supported by Vulkan are summarized in the following table in which

- ¬ is bitwise invert,
- ∧ 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	$s \land \neg d$
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	$s \lor d$
VK_LOGIC_OP_NOR	$\neg (s \lor d)$
VK_LOGIC_OP_EQUIVALENT	$\neg (s \oplus d)$
VK_LOGIC_OP_INVERT	$\neg d$
VK_LOGIC_OP_OR_REVERSE	$s \lor \neg d$
VK_LOGIC_OP_COPY_INVERTED	$\neg s$
VK_LOGIC_OP_OR_INVERTED	$\neg s \lor d$
VK_LOGIC_OP_NAND	$\neg (s \land d)$
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

# 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

# 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

 $\label{thm:passDescription} VkSubpassDescription, vkCmdBindDescriptorSets, vkCmdBindPipeline$ 

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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.

- 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.

#### 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.



### 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

# 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

 $\label{thm:polygonMode} \begin{tabular}{l} $VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo:: $polygonMode$ property of the currently active pipeline, which takes the following values: $$ $PipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo:: $$ $polygonMode$ property of the currently active pipeline, which takes the following values: $$ $$ $PipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo:: $$ $PipelineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateCreateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasterizationStateFineRasteriza$ 

```
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

 ${\tt VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateInfo}$ 

### 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

# 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

# 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

# 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 = 0x000000008,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_GEOMETRY_SHADER_PRIMITIVES_BIT = 0x000000010,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_CLIPPING_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x000000020,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_CLIPPING_PRIMITIVES_BIT = 0x000000040,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_FRAGMENT_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x000000000,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_CONTROL_SHADER_PATCHES_BIT = 0x000000100,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_EVALUATION_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0 \( \times \)
    x00000200,
    VK_QUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_COMPUTE_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x000000400,
} VkQUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_COMPUTE_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x000000400,
} VkQUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_COMPUTE_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x000000400,
} VkQUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_COMPUTE_SHADER_INVOCATIONS_BIT = 0x000000400,
} VkQUERY_PIPELINE_STATISTIC_TESSELLATION_EVALUATIONS_BIT = 0x000000400,
```

#### 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.

- 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.

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

For more information, s	ee the Vulkan Specification at URL
	g/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html#VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits
This page is extracted f	om the Vulkan Specification. Fixes and changes should be made to the Specification, not dire

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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,
} VkResult;
```

### 6.52.3 Description

SUCCESS CODES

- VK\_SUCCESS Command successfully completed
- 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

#### **ERROR CODES**

- 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

# 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 = 0x000000040,
} 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

# 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 + the standard Registry AddressMode + the standard Registry Regi

# 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 + the property of t

# 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 = 0x000000008,
    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

# 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 <code>srcQueueFamilyIndex</code> parameter of the barrier must be set to the source queue family index, and the <code>dstQueueFamilyIndex</code> parameter to the destination queue family index.

To acquire exclusive ownership, the application must execute the same buffer or image memory barrier (i.e. an identically defined instance of the VkBufferMemoryBarrier or VkImageMemoryBarrier structure that was used for the exclusive ownership release) 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 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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_INCREMENT_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 <code>writeMask</code> member of the <code>VkStencilOpState</code> structures controls how the updated stencil value is written to the stencil framebuffer attachment.

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

# 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,
```

```
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,
} 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

#### 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

# 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

 ${\tt vkCmdBeginRenderPass}, {\tt vkCmdNextSubpass}$ 

## 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

# 6.64 VkSystemAllocationScope(3)

#### 6.64.1 Name

VkSystemAllocationScope - Allocation scope

### 6.64.2 C Specification

Each allocation has an *allocation scope* which defines its lifetime and which object it is associated with. The allocation 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 an allocation 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 allocation scope available:

- If an allocation is scoped to the duration of a command, the allocator will use the VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_ SCOPE\_COMMAND allocation 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 allocation 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 an allocation scope of VK\_SYSTEM\_ALLOCATION\_SCOPE\_OBJECT. The most specific allocator available is used (object, else device, else instance). Else,

- If an allocation is scoped to the lifetime of a device, the allocator will use an allocation scope of ename 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 an allocation 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

# 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

 ${\tt VkVertexInputBindingDescription}$ 

## 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

# 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

 $\label{thm:prop:lagbits} Vk Access Flag Bits, Vk Buffer Memory Barrier, Vk Image Memory Barrier, Vk Memory Barrier, Vk Subpass Dependency$ 

### 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

# 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

# 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

# 7.4 VkBufferUsageFlags(3)

### 7.4.1 Name

 $VkBufferUsageFlags-Bitmask\ of\ VkBufferUsageFlagBits$ 

## 7.4.2 C Specification

typedef VkFlags VkBufferUsageFlags;

## 7.4.3 Description

 $\label{thm:local_problem} \begin{tabular}{ll} $\sf VkBufferUsageFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below. \end{tabular}$ 

#### 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

# 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

# 7.6 VkColorComponentFlags(3)

## 7.6.1 Name

 $Vk Color Component Flags-Bit mask\ of\ Vk Color Component Flag Bits$ 

## 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

## 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

## 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

## 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

## 7.10 VkCommandPoolResetFlags(3)

## 7.10.1 Name

 $VkCommand PoolReset Flags-Bitmask\ of\ VkCommand PoolReset Flag Bits$ 

## 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 = 1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html #VkCommandPoolResetFlags = 1.0/xhtml #VkCommandPoolResetF

# 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

# 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

# 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

## 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

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

## 7.22 VklmageAspectFlags(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

# 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

# 7.24 VklmageUsageFlags(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

## 7.25 VklmageViewCreateFlags(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

# 7.26 VkInstanceCreateFlags(3)

## 7.26.1 Name

 $VkInstance Create Flags-Bitmask\ of\ VkInstance Create FlagBits$ 

## 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

# 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

# 7.28 VkMemoryMapFlags(3)

## 7.28.1 Name

 $VkMemory MapFlags-Bitmask\ of\ VkMemory MapFlagBits$ 

## 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

## 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

## 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

## 7.31 VkPipelineColorBlendStateCreateFlags(3)

## 7.31.1 Name

 $VkPipeline Color Blend State Create Flags-Bitmask\ of\ VkPipeline Color Blend State Create Flag Bits-Pipeline Color Bits-Pipeline Color Bits-Pipeline Co$ 

## 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

# 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

## 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

## 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

## 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

# 7.36 VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags(3)

## 7.36.1 Name

VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlagBits

## 7.36.2 C Specification

typedef VkFlags VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlags;

## 7.36.3 Description

 $\label{thm:layoutCreateFlags} \ is \ a \ mask \ of \ zero \ or \ more \ \ \ \ \ \ VkPipelineLayoutCreateFlagBits. \ It \ is used \ as \ a \ member \ and/or \ parameter \ of \ the \ structures \ and \ commands \ in \ the \ See \ Also \ section \ below.$ 

#### 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

## 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

# 7.38 VkPipelineRasterizationStateCreateFlags(3)

### 7.38.1 Name

 $VkPipeline Rasterization State Create Flags-Bitmask\ of\ VkPipeline Rasterization State Create Flag Bits-Bitmask\ of\ VkPipeline Rasterization State Create Flag Bitmask\ of\ VkPipeline Rasterization State Flag Bitmask\ of\ VkPipeline Rasterization State Flag Bitmask\ of\ VkPipeline Rasterization St$ 

## 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

# 7.39 VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags(3)

## 7.39.1 Name

VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags - Bitmask of VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlagBits

## 7.39.2 C Specification

typedef VkFlags VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags;

## 7.39.3 Description

 $\label{thm:common} \begin{tabular}{ll} $\sf VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlags is a mask of zero or more \\ $\sf VkPipelineShaderStageCreateFlagBits. It is used as a member and/or parameter of the structures and commands in the See Also section below. \\ \end{tabular}$ 

## 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

# 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

 $\label{thm:line} Vk \texttt{PipelineStageFlagBits}, Vk \texttt{SubmitInfo}, Vk \texttt{SubpassDependency}, vk \texttt{CmdPipelineBarrier}, vk \texttt{CmdResetEvent}, vk \texttt{CmdSetEvent}, vk \texttt{CmdWaitEvents}$ 

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

 $\label{thm:problem} \begin{tabular}{ll} VkCommandBufferInheritanceInfo, VkQueryPipelineStatisticFlagBits, VkQueryPoolCreateInfo \end{tabular}$ 

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 7.52 VkSemaphoreCreateFlags(3)

## 7.52.1 Name

 $VkSemaphore Create Flags-Bitmask\ of\ VkSemaphore Create FlagBits$ 

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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:

#### 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 allocation 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.

### 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 vkDestroyIn stance), and the application must ensure it cleans up properly via other means (e.g. process termination).

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.

# 8.1.5 See Also

VkAllocationCallbacks

## 8.1.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

 $https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html \#PFN\_vkAllocationFunction$ 

# 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:

### 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

# 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:

#### 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 allocation 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

# 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:

#### 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 allocation 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

# 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:

#### 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 allocation 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(original size, 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

# 8.5.6 Document Notes

For more information, see the Vulkan Specification at URL

 $https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html \verb|#PFN_vkReallocationFunction| and the property of the p$ 

# 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

# 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

VK\_TRUE represents a boolean **True** (integer 1) value, and VK\_FALSE a boolean **False** (integer 0) value.

All values returned from a Vulkan implementation in a VkBool32 will be either VK\_TRUE or VK\_FALSE.

Applications must not pass any other values than VK\_TRUE or VK\_FALSE into a Vulkan implementation where a VkBool32 is expected.

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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. \leftrightarrow 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

# 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

# 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

 $https://www.khronos.org/registry/vulkan/specs/1.0/xhtml/vkspec.html \#VK\_DEFINE\_HANDLE$ 

# 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.

### 10.4.3 Description

• object is the name of the resulting C type.

Most Vulkan handle types, such as VkBuffer, are non-dispatchable.

### 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.

### 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

# 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 31
```

## 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

# 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))</pre>
```

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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

# 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) & 0xfff)
```

## 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