

NAME

**groupmod** modify a group definition on the system

SYNOPSIS

```
groupmod [options] GROUP
```

DESCRIPTION

**groupmod**The groupmod command modifies the definition of the specified GROUP by modifying the appropriate entry in the group database.

Options

Tag	Description
<b>-g, --gid GID</b>	<p>The group ID of the given GROUP will be changed to GID.</p> <p>The value of GID must be a non-negative decimal integer. This value must be unique, unless the -o option is used. Users who use the group as primary group will be updated to keep the group as their primary group.</p> <p>Any files that have the old group ID and must continue to belong to GROUP, must have their group ID changed manually. No checks will be performed with regard to the GID_MIN, GID_MAX, SYS_GID_MIN, or SYS_GID_MAX from /etc/login.defs.</p>
<b>-h, --help</b>	Display help message and exit.
<b>-n, --new-name NEW_GROUP</b>	The name of the group will be changed from GROUP to NEW_GROUP.
<b>-o, --non-unique</b>	When used with the -g option, allow to change the group GID to a non-unique value.
<b>-p, --password PASSWORD</b>	The encrypted password, as returned by crypt.
<b>-R, --root CHROOT_DIR</b>	Apply changes in the CHROOT_DIR directory and use the configuration files from the CHROOT_DIR directory. See also chroot.

EXAMPLES

### Example-1:

To change the group "newgroup" to "oldgroup".

```
# groupmod -n oldgroup newgroup
```

*output:*

```
# groupmod -n oldgroup newgroup
```

```
# grep oldgroup /etc/group
```

```
oldgroup:x:9090:
```

### Example-2:

To change groupid of group:

```
# groupmod -g 777 oldgroup
```

*output:*

```
# grep oldgroup /etc/group
```

```
oldgroup:x:777:
```

### Example-3:

To use same gid for multiple groups, use -o option

```
#groupmod -g 777 newgroup
```

*output:* ( both oldgroup and newgroup have same GID's)

```
# grep oldgroup /etc/group
```

```
oldgroup:x:777:
```

```
# grep newgroup /etc/group
```

```
oldgroup:x:777:
```

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