```
acl_get_fd, acl_get_fd_np, acl_get_file, acl_get_link_np - get an ACL for a file
```

#### LIBRARY

Standard C Library (libc, –lc)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/acl.h>
acl_t
acl_get_fd(int fd);
acl_t
acl_get_fd_np(int fd, acl_type_t type);
acl_t
acl_get_file(const char *path_p, acl_type_t type);
acl_t
acl_get_link_np(const char *path_p, acl_type_t type);
```

#### DESCRIPTION

The acl\_get\_fd(), acl\_get\_file(), acl\_get\_link\_np(), and acl\_get\_fd\_np() each allow the retrieval of an ACL from a file. The acl\_get\_fd() is a POSIX.1e call that allows the retrieval of an ACL of type ACL\_TYPE\_ACCESS from a file descriptor. The acl\_get\_fd\_np() function is a non-portable form of acl\_get\_fd() that allows the retrieval of any type of ACL from a file descriptor. The acl\_get\_file() function is a POSIX.1e call that allows the retrieval of a specified type of ACL from a file by name; acl\_get\_link\_np() is a non-portable variation on acl\_get\_file() which does not follow a symlink if the target of the call is a symlink.

These functions may cause memory to be allocated. The caller should free any releasable memory, when the new ACL is no longer required, by calling  $acl_free(3)$  with the  $(void *)acl_t$  as an argument.

The ACL in the working storage is an independent copy of the ACL associated with the object referred to by fd. The ACL in the working storage shall not participate in any access control decisions.

#### **RETURN VALUES**

Upon successful completion, the function shall return a pointer to the ACL that was retrieved. Otherwise, a value of (acl t)NULL shall be returned, and errno shall be set to indicate the error.

### **ERRORS**

If any of the following conditions occur, the **acl\_get\_fd**() function shall return a value of (*acl\_t*)*NULL* and set *errno* to the corresponding value:

| [EACCES] | Search permission is denied for a component of the path prefix, or the object exists |
|----------|--|
|          | and the process does not have appropriate access rights.                             |

[EBADF] The fd argument is not a valid file descriptor.

[EINVAL] The ACL type passed is invalid for this file object.

[ENAMETOOLONG] A component of a pathname exceeded 255 characters, or an entire path name exceeded

1023 characters.

[ENOENT] The named object does not exist, or the *path\_p* argument points to an empty string.

[ENOMEM] Insufficient memory available to fulfill request.

[EOPNOTSUPP] The file system does not support ACL retrieval.

## **SEE ALSO**

## **STANDARDS**

POSIX.1e is described in IEEE POSIX.1e draft 17.

# **AUTHORS**

Michael Smith Robert N M Watson