

Table 27.8
<fenv.h> Macros

Name	Value	Description
FE_DIVBYZERO FE_INEXACT FE_INVALID FE_OVERFLOW FE_UNDERFLOW	Integer constant expressions whose bits do not overlap	Defined only if the corresponding floating-point exception is supported by the implementation. An implementation may define additional macros that represent floating-point exceptions.
FE_ALL_EXCEPT	See description	Bitwise <i>or</i> of all floating-point exception macros defined by the implementation. Has the value 0 if no such macros are defined.
FE_DOWNWARD FE_TONEAREST FE_TOWARDZERO FE_UPWARD	Integer constant expressions with distinct nonnegative values	Defined only if the corresponding rounding direction can be retrieved and set via the <code>fegetround</code> and <code>fesetround</code> functions. An implementation may define additional macros that represent rounding directions.
FE_DFL_ENV	A value of type <code>const fenv_t *</code>	Represents the default (program start-up) floating-point environment. An implementation may define additional macros that represent floating-point environments.

The FENV_ACCESS Pragma

#pragma directive ► 14.5

The <fenv.h> header provides a pragma named FENV_ACCESS that’s used to notify the compiler of a program’s intention to use the functions provided by this header. Knowing which portions of a program will use the capabilities of <fenv.h> is important for the compiler, because some common optimizations can’t be performed if control modes don’t have their customary settings or may change during program execution.

The FENV_ACCESS pragma has the following appearance:

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#pragma STDC FENV_ACCESS on-off-switch
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where *on-off-switch* is either ON, OFF, or DEFAULT. If the pragma is used with the value ON, it informs the compiler that the program might test floating-point status flags or alter a floating-point control mode. The value OFF indicates that flags won’t be tested and default control modes are in effect. The meaning of DEFAULT is implementation-defined; it represents either ON or OFF.

The duration of the FENV_ACCESS pragma depends on where it’s used in a program. When it appears at the top level of a source file, outside any external declarations, it remains in effect until the next FENV_ACCESS pragma or the end of the file. The only other place that an FENV_ACCESS pragma might appear is at the beginning of a compound statement (possibly the body of a function); in that case, the pragma remains in effect until the next FENV_ACCESS pragma (even one inside a nested compound statement) or the end of the compound statement. At the end of a compound statement, the state of the switch returns to its value before the compound statement was entered.

It’s the programmer’s responsibility to use the FENV_ACCESS pragma to indicate regions of a program in which low-level access to floating-point hardware