

## NAME

sane-coolscan – SANE backend for Nikon film-scanners

## ABOUT THIS FILE

This file is a short description of the coolscan backend for **SANE**.

## DESCRIPTION

The **sane-coolscan** library implements a SANE backend that provides the interface to the following Nikon Coolscan Film scanners: Nikon LS20, LS30, LS1000, LS2000.

**Even though the backend has worked for a number of people, there are still some problems**, especially in combination with some SCSI card/drivers (AHA-1505/aha152x.o) and the autofocus command. You should consider this backend 'alpha' and be careful when using it the first time.

## CONFIGURATION

The configuration file for this backend resides in */etc/sane.d/coolscan.conf*.

Its content is a list of device names that correspond to Nikon Coolscan scanners. Empty lines and lines starting with a hash mark (#) are ignored. A sample configuration file is shown below:

```
#scsi Vendor Model Type
scsi Nikon * Scanner
/dev/scanner
```

The special device name must be a generic SCSI device or a symlink to such a device. To find out to which device your scanner is assigned and how you can set the permissions of that device, have a look at **sane-scsi(5)**.

## SCSI ADAPTER TIPS

Some SCSI-adapters and low-level SCSI drivers do not work correctly with this backend and the Coolscan scanners. These systems hang when the autofocus command is send to the Scanner. To see a list of which card/driver combinations work or don't work have a look at: <http://andreas.rick.free.fr/sane/autofocus.html>.

## FILES

The backend configuration file:

*/etc/sane.d/coolscan.conf*

The static library implementing this backend:

*/usr/lib/x86\_64-linux-gnu/sane/libsane-coolscan.a*

The shared library implementing this backend:

*/usr/lib/x86\_64-linux-gnu/sane/libsane-coolscan.so* (present on systems that support dynamic loading)

## ENVIRONMENT

### SANE\_DEBUG\_COOLSCAN

If the library was compiled with debug support enabled, this environment variable controls the debug level for this backend. E.g., a value of 128 requests all debug output to be printed. Smaller levels reduce verbosity.

Examples:

On bash:

```
export SANE_DEBUG_COOLSCAN=8
```

On csh:

```
setenv SANE_DEBUG_COOLSCAN 8
```

## BUGS

The autofocus command does not work with some SCSI card/driver combinations.

The gamma table is not implemented for the LS1000 yet.

The dust-removal is not working yet.

## SEE ALSO

**sane(7)**, **sane-scsi(5)**

*<http://andreas.rick.free.fr/sane/>*

The homepage of this backend.

*<http://www.sema.be/coolscan/>*

The original version of the coolscan backend by Didier.

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