

**NAME**

hls – list files in an HFS directory

**SYNOPSIS**

hls [*options*] [*hfs-path* ...]

**DESCRIPTION**

**hls** lists files and directories contained in an HFS volume. If one or more arguments are given, each specified file or directory is shown; otherwise, the contents of the current working directory are shown.

**OPTIONS**

- l      Output is formatted such that each entry appears on a single line. This is the default when stdout is not a terminal.
- a      All files and directories are shown, including "invisible" files, as would be perceived by the Macintosh Finder. Normally invisible files are omitted from directory listings.
- b      Special characters are displayed in an escaped backslash notation. Normally special or non-printable characters in filenames are replaced by a question mark (?).
- c      Sort and display entries by their creation date, rather than their modification date.
- d      List directory entries themselves rather than their contents. Normally the contents are shown for named directories on the command-line.
- f      Do not sort directory contents; list them in the order they appear in the directory. This option effectively enables -a and -U and disables -l, -s, and -t.
- i      Show the catalog IDs for each entry. Every file and directory on an HFS volume has a unique catalog ID.
- l      Display entries in long format. This format shows the entry type ("d" for directory or "f" for file), flags ("i" for invisible), file type and creator (four-character strings for files only), size (number of directory sub-contents or file resource and data bytes, respectively), date of last modification (or creation, with -c flag), and pathname. Macintosh "locked" files are indicated by "F" in place of "f".
- m      Display entries in a continuous format separated by commas.
- q      Replace special and non-printable characters in displayed filenames with question marks (?). This is the default when stdout is connected to a terminal.
- r      Sort entries in reverse order before displaying.
- s      Show the file size for each entry in 1K block units. The size includes blocks used for both data and resource forks.
- t      Sort and display entries by time. Normally files will be sorted by name. This option uses the last modification date to sort unless -c is also specified.
- x      Display entries in column format like -C, but sorted horizontally into rows rather than columns.
- w *width*      Format output lines suitable for display in the given *width*. Normally the width will be determined from your terminal, from the environment variable COLUMNS, or from a default value of 80.
- C      Display entries in column format with entries sorted vertically. This is the default output format when stdout is connected to a terminal.
- F      Cause certain output filenames to be followed by a single-character flag indicating the nature of the entry; directories are followed by a colon (:) and executable Macintosh applications are followed by an asterisk (\*).
- N      Cause all filenames to be output verbatim without any escaping or question-mark substitution.
- Q      Cause all filenames to be enclosed within double-quotes (") and special/non-printable characters to be properly escaped.

- R For each directory that is encountered in a listing, recursively descend into and display its contents.
- S Sort and display entries by size. For files, the combined resource and data lengths are used to compute a file's size.
- U Do not sort directory contents; list them in the order they appear in the directory. On HFS volumes, this is usually an alphabetical case-insensitive ordering, although there are some idiosyncrasies to the Macintosh implementation of ordering. This option does not affect -a, -l, or -s.

**SEE ALSO**

hfsutils(1), hcd(1), hpwd(1), hdir(1), hcopy(1)

**FILES**

\$HOME/.hcwd

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