

NAME

`nameif` – name network interfaces based on MAC addresses

SYNOPSIS

`nameif` [**`-c configfile`**] [**`-s`**]

`nameif` [**`-c configfile`**] [**`-s`**] {**`interface macaddress`**}

DESCRIPTION

`nameif` renames network interfaces based on mac addresses. When no arguments are given */etc/mactab* is read. Each line of it contains an interface name and a Ethernet MAC address. Comments are allowed starting with #. Otherwise the interfaces specified on the command line are processed. *nameif* looks for the interface with the given MAC address and renames it to the name given.

When the **`-s`** argument is given all error messages go to the syslog.

When the **`-c`** argument is given with a file name that file is read instead of */etc/mactab*.

NOTES

nameif should be run before the interface is up, otherwise it'll fail.

FILES

/etc/mactab

BUGS

Only works for Ethernet currently.