

NAME

dcb-dcbx – show / manipulate port DCBX (Data Center Bridging eXchange)

SYNOPSIS

dcb [*OPTIONS*] **dcbx** { *COMMAND* | *help* }

dcb dcbx show dev DEV

dcb dcbx set dev DEV [**host**] [**lld-managed**] [**cee**] [**ieee**] [**static**]

DESCRIPTION

Data Center Bridging eXchange (DCBX) is a protocol used by DCB devices to exchange configuration information with directly connected peers. The Linux DCBX object is a 1-byte bitfield of flags that configure whether DCBX is implemented in the device or in the host, and which version of the protocol should be used. **dcb dcbx** is used to access the per-port Linux DCBX object.

There are two principal modes of operation: in **host** mode, DCBX protocol is implemented by the host LLDP agent, and the DCB interfaces are used to propagate the negotiate parameters to capable devices. In **lld-managed** mode, the configuration is handled by the device, and DCB interfaces are used for inspection of negotiated parameters, and can also be used to set initial parameters.

PARAMETERS

When used with **dcb dcbx set**, the following keywords enable the corresponding configuration. The keywords that are not mentioned on the command line are considered disabled. When used with **show**, each enabled feature is shown by its corresponding keyword.

host**lld-managed**

The device is in the host mode of operation and, respectively, the lld-managed mode of operation, as described above. In principle these two keywords are mutually exclusive, but **dcb dcbx** allows setting both and lets the driver handle it as appropriate.

cee**ieee**

The device supports CEE (Converged Enhanced Ethernet) and, respectively, IEEE version of the DCB specification. Typically only one of these will be set, but **dcb dcbx** does not mandate this.

static

indicates the engine supports static configuration. No actual negotiation is performed, negotiated parameters are always the initial configuration.

EXAMPLE & USAGE

Put the DCB engine into the "host" mode of operation, and use IEEE-standardized DCB interfaces:

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# dcb dcbx set dev eth0 host ieee
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Show what was set:

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# dcb dcbx show dev eth0
host ieee
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EXIT STATUS

Exit status is 0 if command was successful or a positive integer upon failure.

SEE ALSO

dcb(8)

REPORTING BUGS

Report any bugs to the Network Developers mailing list <netdev@vger.kernel.org> where the development and maintenance is primarily done. You do not have to be subscribed to the list to send a message there.

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