

**NAME**

securetty – list of terminals on which root is allowed to login

**DESCRIPTION**

The file */etc/securetty* contains the names of terminals (one per line, without leading */dev/*) which are considered secure for the transmission of certain authentication tokens.

It is used by (some versions of) **login**(1) to restrict the terminals on which root is allowed to login. See **login.defs**(5) if you use the shadow suite.

On PAM enabled systems, it is used for the same purpose by **pam\_securetty**(8) to restrict the terminals on which empty passwords are accepted.

**FILES**

*/etc/securetty*

**SEE ALSO**

**login**(1), **login.defs**(5), **pam\_securetty**(8)