

**NAME**

ppdc – cups ppd compiler (deprecated)

**SYNOPSIS**

**ppdc** [ **-D** *name*[=*value*] ] [ **-I** *include-directory* ] [ **-c** *message-catalog* ] [ **-d** *output-directory* ] [ **-l** *language(s)* ] [ **-m** ] [ **-t** ] [ **-v** ] [ **-z** ] [ **--cr** ] [ **--crlf** ] [ **--lf** ] *source-file*

**DESCRIPTION**

**ppdc** compiles PPDC source files into one or more PPD files. **This program is deprecated and will be removed in a future release of CUPS.**

**OPTIONS**

**ppdc** supports the following options:

**-D** *name*[=*value*]

Sets the named variable for use in the source file. It is equivalent to using the *#define* directive in the source file.

**-I** *include-directory*

Specifies an alternate include directory. Multiple *-I* options can be supplied to add additional directories.

**-c** *message-catalog*

Specifies a single message catalog file in GNU gettext (filename.po) or Apple strings (filename.strings) format to be used for localization.

**-d** *output-directory*

Specifies the output directory for PPD files. The default output directory is "ppd".

**-l** *language(s)*

Specifies one or more languages to use when localizing the PPD file(s). The default language is "en" (English). Separate multiple languages with commas, for example "de\_DE,en\_UK,es\_ES,es\_MX,es\_US,fr\_CA,fr\_FR,it\_IT" will create PPD files with German, UK English, Spanish (Spain, Mexico, and US), French (France and Canada), and Italian languages in each file.

**-m** Specifies that the output filename should be based on the *ModelName* value instead of *FileName* or *PCFileName*.

**-t** Specifies that PPD files should be tested instead of generated.

**-v** Specifies verbose output, basically a running status of which files are being loaded or written. **-z** Generates compressed PPD files (filename.ppd.gz). The default is to generate uncompressed PPD files.

**--cr**

**--crlf**

**--lf** Specifies the line ending to use - carriage return, carriage return and line feed, or line feed alone. The default is to use the line feed character alone.

**NOTES**

PPD files are deprecated and will no longer be supported in a future feature release of CUPS. Printers that do not support IPP can be supported using applications such as **ippeveprinter**(1).

**SEE ALSO**

**ppdhtml**(1), **ppdi**(1), **ppdmerge**(1), **ppdpo**(1), **ppdfile**(5), CUPS Online Help (<http://localhost:631/help>)

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