

NAME

kill – terminate a process

SYNOPSIS

kill [-signo] processid ...

DESCRIPTION

Kill sends signal 15 (terminate) to the specified processes. This will normally terminate the process, unless it is caught. The process number of each asynchronous process started with ‘&’ is reported by the Shell. Process numbers can also be found by using *ps*(I).

The details of the kill are described in *kill*(II). For example, if process number 0 is specified, all processes in the process group are signaled.

If a signal number preceded by “-” is given as the first argument, that signal is sent instead. For example, **-9** will guarantee a kill.

SEE ALSO

ps(I), *sh*(I), *kill*(II), *signal*(II)