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## **PBSetEOF**

Set the logical file size of an open file

#include <<u>Files.h</u>>

File Manager (PBxxx)

OSErr PBSetEOF(pb, async);

<u>ParmBlkPtr</u> *pb*; address of a 50-byte <u>IOParam</u> structure <u>Boolean</u> async; 0=await completion; 1=immediate return

**returns** Error Code; 0=no error

**PBSetEOF** lets you expand or truncate the logical size of an open file. The file must be open with read/write permission.

pb is the address of a 50-byte <u>IOParam</u> structure. The relevant fields are as follows:

Out-In Name		<u>Type</u>	<u>Size Offset</u>		<u>Description</u>
->	ioCompletion	<u>ProcPtr</u>	4	12	Completion routine address (if async =TRUE)
->	ioRefNum	<u>short</u>	2	24	File reference number
->	ioMisc	<u>Ptr</u>	4	28	Desired logical file size, in bytes
<-	ioResult	<u>OSErr</u>	2	16	Error Code (0=no error, 1=not done yet)

async is a <u>Boolean</u> value. Use <u>FALSE</u> for normal (synchronous) operation or <u>TRUE</u> to enqueue the request and resume control immediately. See <u>Async I/O</u>.

Returns: an operating system Error Code. It will be one of:

```
No error
     noErr (0)
  dskFulErr (-34)
                      Disk full
  extFSErr (-58)
                      External file system
  fLckdErr (-45)
                      File is locked
            (-38)
                      File not open
  fnOpnErr
      ioErr
            (-36)
                      I/O error
            (-51)
  rfNumErr
                      Bad ioRefNum
  vLckdErr
            (-46)
                      Volume is locked
   wPrErr (-44)
                      Diskette is write-protected
wrPermErr (-61)
                      Write permissions error
```

Notes: Place the desired size in <u>ioMisc</u>. Since that structure field is declared as a type Ptr, you will need to coerce the desired size from a long integer to a Ptr:

```
IOParam pb;
long newSize;

newSize = 1000L;
pb.ioRefNum = myFileRef;
pb.ioMisc = (Ptr)newSize;
err = PBSetEOF( &pb, FALSE );
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If you set the logical EOF to a value larger than its physical EOF, additional disk blocks will be allocated to the file. If there is not enough space on the disk to satisfy the request, *no change is made* and the function returns <u>dskFulErr</u>.

Using a smaller size will truncate the file. The resulting physical EOF will be the value of <u>ioMisc</u>, rounded up to the next higher block size. Use <u>ioMisc</u>=0 to truncate all data from the open fork of the file and release all

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of its storage on the volume.

You can use **PBAllocate** or **PBAllocContig** to increase the physical size of the file, without affecting the logical EOF. Use **PBGetFInfo** to obtain the current value of the physical EOF.

Note that since sequential write operations (starting at the end of the file) increase the EOF automatically, this function is rarely needed.