

**PBGetEOF** Obtain logical size of an open file

#include <Files.h>

**File Manager (PBxxx)**

OSErr            **PBGetEOF**(*pb*, *async* );  
ParmBlkPtr    *pb* ;            address of a 50-byte IOParm structure  
Boolean        *async* ;        0=await completion; 1=immediate return  
                  **returns**        Error Code; 0=no error

**PBGetEOF** returns the end-of-file value (the logical size, in bytes) of an open file.

*pb* is the address of a 50-byte IOParm structure. The following fields are relevant.

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

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

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

noErr	(0)	No error
extFSErr	(-58)	External file system
fnOpnErr	(-38)	File not open
ioErr	(-36)	I/O error
rfNumErr	(-51)	Bad ioRefNum

Notes: You might use this before performing a sequential file read in order to know when to stop reading.

The size of the file is returned in ioMisc. Since that structure field is declared as a type Ptr, you will need to cast it as a long integer before attempting arithmetic operations:

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IOParm pb;
long fileSize;
OSErr rc;

pb.ioRefNum = myFileRef;
rc = PBGetEOF( &pb, FALSE );
if( rc ) { /* . . . handle error . . . */ }
fileSize = (long)pb.ioMisc;
if (fileSize > 1000) { /* . . . etc. . . */ }
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The file will probably occupy more disk space than would seem to be indicated by the file size -- that's because disk space is allocated in blocks. Use PBGetVInfo to learn the size, in bytes, of the allocation blocks for a particular volume. Use PBGetFInfo to obtain the physical EOF of an open file.