NAME
postlog − Postfix−compatible logging utility

SYNOPSIS
postlog [−**iv**] [−**c** *config_dir*] [−**p** *priority*] [−**t** *tag*] [*text...*]

DESCRIPTION
The **postlog(1)** command implements a Postfix−compatible logging interface for use in, for example, shell scripts.

By default, **postlog(1)** logs the *text* given on the command line as one record. If no *text* is specified on the command line, **postlog(1)** reads from standard input and logs each input line as one record.

By default, logging is sent to **syslogd(8)** or **postlogd(8)**; when the standard error stream is connected to a terminal, logging is sent there as well.

The following options are implemented:

−**c** *config_dir*
> Read the **main.cf** configuration file in the named directory instead of the default configuration directory.

−**i** (obsolete)
> Include the process ID in the logging tag. This flag is ignored as of Postfix 3.4, where the PID is always included.

−**p** *priority* (default: **info**)
> Specifies the logging severity: **info**, **warn**, **error**, **fatal**, or **panic**. With Postfix 3.1 and later, the program will pause for 1 second after reporting a **fatal** or **panic** condition, just like other Postfix programs.

−**t** *tag*   Specifies the logging tag, that is, the identifying name that appears at the beginning of each logging record. A default tag is used when none is specified.

−**v**   Enable verbose logging for debugging purposes. Multiple −**v** options make the software increasingly verbose.

ENVIRONMENT
MAIL_CONFIG
> Directory with the **main.cf** file.

CONFIGURATION PARAMETERS
The following **main.cf** parameters are especially relevant to this program.

The text below provides only a parameter summary. See **postconf(5)** for more details including examples.

config_directory (see 'postconf -d' output)
> The default location of the Postfix main.cf and master.cf configuration files.

import_environment (see 'postconf -d' output)
> The list of environment parameters that a privileged Postfix process will import from a non−Postfix parent process, or name=value environment overrides.

syslog_facility (mail)
> The syslog facility of Postfix logging.

syslog_name (see 'postconf -d' output)
> A prefix that is prepended to the process name in syslog records, so that, for example, "smtpd" becomes "prefix/smtpd".

Available in Postfix 3.4 and later:

maillog_file (empty)
> The name of an optional logfile that is written by the Postfix **postlogd(8)** service.

postlog_service_name (postlog)
        The name of the **postlogd(8)** service entry in master.cf.

SEE ALSO

postconf(5),
configuration parameters
postlogd(8),
Postfix logging
syslogd(8), system logging

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