

**NAME**

`printers` — defines printer options to `/etc/lpd`

**DESCRIPTION**

*Printers* defines for `lpd` the name, group, device, type, and speed of all legal printers in the spooling system. The file is similar to the lines file in format (i.e., colon separated fields). The format is thus:

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name:group:device[:type][:speed]
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*Name* is the name of the printer which may be from 1 to `NAMSIZ` characters long (defined in `lpss.h`). *Group* defines the group to which the printer belongs; it must be identical to the group field in `qmap` for the queue to which the printer is assigned. *Device* is the location in the file system where the printer lives (i.e., `/dev/lp32`). *Type* is one of a number of supported printer types. The list currently is *terminet*, *ds40*, *ti700 lp11*, and *versatec*. *Speed* is the baud rate of the printer, if applicable.

**FILES**

`/usr/lpd/printers`