

NAME

closefrom, **close_range** - delete open file descriptors

LIBRARY

Standard C Library (libc, -lc)

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <unistd.h>
```

void

```
closefrom(int lowfd);
```

int

```
close_range(u_int lowfd, u_int highfd, int flags);
```

DESCRIPTION

The **closefrom()** system call deletes all open file descriptors greater than or equal to *lowfd* from the per-process object reference table. Any errors encountered while closing file descriptors are ignored.

The **close_range()** system call deletes all open file descriptors between *lowfd* and *highfd* inclusive, clamped to the range of open file descriptors. Any errors encountered while closing file descriptors are ignored. Supported *flags*:

CLOSE_RANGE_CLOEXEC Set the close-on-exec flag on descriptors in the range instead of closing them.

RETURN VALUES

Upon successful completion, **close_range()** returns a value of 0. Otherwise, a value of -1 is returned and the global variable *errno* is set to indicate the error.

ERRORS

The **close_range()** system call will fail if:

[EINVAL] The *highfd* argument is lower than the *lowfd* argument.

[EINVAL] An invalid flag was set.

SEE ALSO

close(2)

HISTORY

The `closefrom()` function first appeared in FreeBSD 8.0.