NAME
desktop-file-validate - Validate desktop entry files

SYNOPSIS
desktop-file-validate [--no-hints] [--no-warn-deprecated] [--warn-kde] FILE...

DESCRIPTION
The *desktop-file-validate* program is a tool to validate desktop entry files according to the Desktop Entry specification 1.4.

The specification describes a file format to provide information such as name, icon and description for an application. Such a file can then be used as an application launcher and to display the application in the applications menu.

For information about the Desktop Entry specification, see *http://freedesktop.org/wiki/Specifications/desktop-entry-spec*.

The desktop entry files are commonly called **desktop files**.

OPTIONS
The following options are supported:

--no-hints

Do not output hints about things that might be improved in the desktop file.

--no-warn-deprecated

Do not warn about usage of deprecated items that were defined in previous versions of the specification.

--warn-kde

Warn about usage of KDE extensions to the specification. This includes the use of the **KDE Desktop Entry** group, of the **ServiceTypes**, **DocPath**, **Keywords**, **InitialPreference**, **Dev**, **FSType**, **MountPoint**, **ReadOnly**, **UnmountIcon** keys, or of the **Service**, **ServiceType** and **FSDevice** types.

BUGS
If you find bugs in the *desktop-file-validate* program, please report these on https://bugs.freedesktop.org.

SEE ALSO
desktop-file-edit(1) desktop-file-install(1)