

**NAME**

**ipfwpcap** - copy diverted packets to a file in tcpdump format

**SYNOPSIS**

**ipfwpcap** [-**dr**] [-**b** *maxbytes*] [-**p** *maxpkts*] [-**P** *pidfile*] *portnum dumpfile*

**DESCRIPTION**

The **ipfwpcap** utility is used to copy diverted packets to a file in tcpdump(1) format. The interesting packets are diverted by ipfw(8) to a port on which **ipfwpcap** listens. The packets are then dropped unless **-r** is used.

The options are as follows:

- d** Turns on extra debugging messages.
- r** Writes packets back to the divert(4) socket.
- rr** Indicates that it is okay to quit if *maxbytes* or *maxpkts* are reached. Diverted packets will silently disappear if nothing is listening on the divert(4) socket.
- b** *maxbytes*  
Stop dumping after *maxbytes* bytes.
- p** *maxpkts*  
Stop dumping after *maxpkt* packets.
- P** *pidfile*  
File to store PID number in. Default is */var/run/ipwfpicap.portnr.pid*.

The *portnum* argument specifies which divert(4) socket port to listen on. The *dumpfile* argument is the path to the file to write captured packets to. Specify '-' to write to stdout.

**EXIT STATUS**

The **ipfwpcap** utility exits 0 on success, and >0 if an error occurs.

**EXAMPLES**

```
ipfwpcap -r 8091 divt.log &
```

Starts **ipfwpcap** as a background job listening to port 8091 and reflecting the packets back to the socket.

```
ipfw add 2864 divert 8091 ip from 192.0.2.101
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Example ipfw(8) rule to divert all packets from 192.0.2.101 to port 8091. See ipfw(8) for details.

### SEE ALSO

tcpdump(1), pcap(3), divert(4), ipfw(8)

### HISTORY

The **ipfwpcap** utility first appeared in FreeBSD 7.0.

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