### **NAME**

tcsendbreak, tcdrain, tcflush, tcflow - line control functions

## **LIBRARY**

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Standard C Library (libc, -lc)
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## **SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <termios.h>
int
tcdrain(int fd);
int
tcflow(int fd, int action);
int
tcflush(int fd, int action);
int
tcsendbreak(int fd, int len);
```

## **DESCRIPTION**

The tcdrain() function waits until all output written to the terminal referenced by fd has been transmitted to the terminal.

The **tcflow**() function suspends transmission of data to or the reception of data from the terminal referenced by *fd* depending on the value of *action*. The value of *action* must be one of the following:

# **TCOOFF**

Suspend output.

TCOON Restart suspended output.

- TCIOFF Transmit a STOP character, which is intended to cause the terminal to stop transmitting data to the system. (See the description of IXOFF in the 'Input Modes' section of termios(4)).
- TCION Transmit a START character, which is intended to cause the terminal to start transmitting data to the system. (See the description of IXOFF in the 'Input Modes' section of termios(4)).

The **tcflush**() function discards any data written to the terminal referenced by fd which has not been

transmitted to the terminal, or any data received from the terminal but not yet read, depending on the value of *action*. The value of *action* must be one of the following:

TCIFLUSH Flush data received but not read.

TCOFLUSH Flush data written but not transmitted.

TCIOFLUSH Flush both data received but not read and data written but not transmitted.

The **tcsendbreak**() function transmits a continuous stream of zero-valued bits for four-tenths of a second to the terminal referenced by fd. The len argument is ignored in this implementation.

## **RETURN VALUES**

Upon successful completion, all of these functions return a value of zero.

### **ERRORS**

If any error occurs, a value of -1 is returned and the global variable *errno* is set to indicate the error, as follows:

[EBADF] The fd argument is not a valid file descriptor.

[EINVAL] The *action* argument is not a proper value.

[ENOTTY] The file associated with fd is not a terminal.

[EINTR] A signal interrupted the **tcdrain**() function.

[EWOULDBLOCK] The configured timeout expired before the **tcdrain**() function could write all buffered output.

## **SEE ALSO**

tcsetattr(3), termios(4), tty(4), comcontrol(8)

## **STANDARDS**

The **tcsendbreak**(), **tcflush**() and **tcflow**() functions are expected to be compliant with the IEEE Std 1003.1-1988 ("POSIX.1") specification.

The **tcdrain**() function is expected to be compliant with IEEE Std 1003.1-1988 ("POSIX.1") when the drain wait value is set to zero with comcontrol(8), or with ioctl(2) *TIOCSDRAINWAIT*, or with sysctl(8) *kern.tty\_drainwait*. A non-zero drain wait value can result in **tcdrain**() returning

EWOULDBLOCK without writing all output. The default value for kern.tty\_drainwait is 300 seconds.