

**NAME**

lpd – line printer daemon

**SYNOPSIS**

**/etc/lpd**

**DESCRIPTION**

*Lpd* is the line printer daemon (spool area handler) invoked by *opr*. It uses the directory */usr/lpd*. The file *lock* in that directory is used to prevent two daemons from becoming active simultaneously. After the daemon has successfully set the lock, it scans the directory for files beginning with “df.” Lines in each *df* file specify files to be printed in the same way as is done by the data-phone daemon *dpd* (VIII).

**FILES**

*/usr/lpd/\** spool area  
*/dev/lp* printer

**SEE ALSO**

*dpd* (VIII), *opr* (I)

**BUGS**