

**NAME**

DH\_meth\_new, DH\_meth\_free, DH\_meth\_dup, DH\_meth\_get0\_name, DH\_meth\_set1\_name,  
 DH\_meth\_get\_flags, DH\_meth\_set\_flags, DH\_meth\_get0\_app\_data, DH\_meth\_set0\_app\_data,  
 DH\_meth\_get\_generate\_key, DH\_meth\_set\_generate\_key, DH\_meth\_get\_compute\_key,  
 DH\_meth\_set\_compute\_key, DH\_meth\_get\_bn\_mod\_exp, DH\_meth\_set\_bn\_mod\_exp,  
 DH\_meth\_get\_init, DH\_meth\_set\_init, DH\_meth\_get\_finish, DH\_meth\_set\_finish,  
 DH\_meth\_get\_generate\_params, DH\_meth\_set\_generate\_params - Routines to build up DH methods

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <openssl/dh.h>
```

The following functions have been deprecated since OpenSSL 3.0, and can be hidden entirely by defining **OPENSSL\_API\_COMPAT** with a suitable version value, see **openssl\_user\_macros(7)**:

```
DH_METHOD *DH_meth_new(const char *name, int flags);

void DH_meth_free(DH_METHOD *dhm);

DH_METHOD *DH_meth_dup(const DH_METHOD *dhm);

const char *DH_meth_get0_name(const DH_METHOD *dhm);
int DH_meth_set1_name(DH_METHOD *dhm, const char *name);

int DH_meth_get_flags(const DH_METHOD *dhm);
int DH_meth_set_flags(DH_METHOD *dhm, int flags);

void *DH_meth_get0_app_data(const DH_METHOD *dhm);
int DH_meth_set0_app_data(DH_METHOD *dhm, void *app_data);

int (*DH_meth_get_generate_key(const DH_METHOD *dhm))(DH *);
int DH_meth_set_generate_key(DH_METHOD *dhm, int (*generate_key)(DH *));

int (*DH_meth_get_compute_key(const DH_METHOD *dhm))
    (unsigned char *key, const BIGNUM *pub_key, DH *dh);
int DH_meth_set_compute_key(DH_METHOD *dhm,
    int (*compute_key)(unsigned char *key, const BIGNUM *pub_key, DH *dh));

int (*DH_meth_get_bn_mod_exp(const DH_METHOD *dhm))
    (const DH *dh, BIGNUM *r, const BIGNUM *a, const BIGNUM *p,
     const BIGNUM *m, BN_CTX *ctx, BN_MONT_CTX *m_ctx);
```

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int DH_meth_set_bn_mod_exp(DH_METHOD *dhm,
    int (*bn_mod_exp)(const DH *dh, BIGNUM *r, const BIGNUM *a,
        const BIGNUM *p, const BIGNUM *m, BN_CTX *ctx,
        BN_MONT_CTX *m_ctx));

int (*DH_meth_get_init(const DH_METHOD *dhm))(DH *);
int DH_meth_set_init(DH_METHOD *dhm, int (*init)(DH *));

int (*DH_meth_get_finish(const DH_METHOD *dhm))(DH *);
int DH_meth_set_finish(DH_METHOD *dhm, int (*finish)(DH *));

int (*DH_meth_get_generate_params(const DH_METHOD *dhm))
    (DH *, int, int, BN_GENCB *);
int DH_meth_set_generate_params(DH_METHOD *dhm,
    int (*generate_params)(DH *, int, int, BN_GENCB *));

```

## DESCRIPTION

All of the functions described on this page are deprecated. Applications should instead use the provider APIs.

The **DH\_METHOD** type is a structure used for the provision of custom DH implementations. It provides a set of functions used by OpenSSL for the implementation of the various DH capabilities.

**DH\_meth\_new()** creates a new **DH\_METHOD** structure. It should be given a unique **name** and a set of **flags**. The **name** should be a NULL terminated string, which will be duplicated and stored in the **DH\_METHOD** object. It is the callers responsibility to free the original string. The flags will be used during the construction of a new **DH** object based on this **DH\_METHOD**. Any new **DH** object will have those flags set by default.

**DH\_meth\_dup()** creates a duplicate copy of the **DH\_METHOD** object passed as a parameter. This might be useful for creating a new **DH\_METHOD** based on an existing one, but with some differences.

**DH\_meth\_free()** destroys a **DH\_METHOD** structure and frees up any memory associated with it.

**DH\_meth\_get0\_name()** will return a pointer to the name of this **DH\_METHOD**. This is a pointer to the internal name string and so should not be freed by the caller. **DH\_meth\_set1\_name()** sets the name of the **DH\_METHOD** to **name**. The string is duplicated and the copy is stored in the **DH\_METHOD** structure, so the caller remains responsible for freeing the memory associated with the name.

**DH\_meth\_get\_flags()** returns the current value of the flags associated with this **DH\_METHOD**.

**DH\_meth\_set\_flags()** provides the ability to set these flags.

The functions **DH\_meth\_get0\_app\_data()** and **DH\_meth\_set0\_app\_data()** provide the ability to associate implementation specific data with the DH\_METHOD. It is the application's responsibility to free this data before the DH\_METHOD is freed via a call to **DH\_meth\_free()**.

**DH\_meth\_get\_generate\_key()** and **DH\_meth\_set\_generate\_key()** get and set the function used for generating a new DH key pair respectively. This function will be called in response to the application calling **DH\_generate\_key()**. The parameter for the function has the same meaning as for **DH\_generate\_key()**.

**DH\_meth\_get\_compute\_key()** and **DH\_meth\_set\_compute\_key()** get and set the function used for computing a new DH shared secret respectively. This function will be called in response to the application calling **DH\_compute\_key()**. The parameters for the function have the same meaning as for **DH\_compute\_key()**.

**DH\_meth\_get\_bn\_mod\_exp()** and **DH\_meth\_set\_bn\_mod\_exp()** get and set the function used for computing the following value:

$$r = a^p \bmod m$$

This function will be called by the default OpenSSL function for **DH\_generate\_key()**. The result is stored in the **r** parameter. This function may be NULL unless using the default generate key function, in which case it must be present.

**DH\_meth\_get\_init()** and **DH\_meth\_set\_init()** get and set the function used for creating a new DH instance respectively. This function will be called in response to the application calling **DH\_new()** (if the current default DH\_METHOD is this one) or **DH\_new\_method()**. The **DH\_new()** and **DH\_new\_method()** functions will allocate the memory for the new DH object, and a pointer to this newly allocated structure will be passed as a parameter to the function. This function may be NULL.

**DH\_meth\_get\_finish()** and **DH\_meth\_set\_finish()** get and set the function used for destroying an instance of a DH object respectively. This function will be called in response to the application calling **DH\_free()**. A pointer to the DH to be destroyed is passed as a parameter. The destroy function should be used for DH implementation specific clean up. The memory for the DH itself should not be freed by this function. This function may be NULL.

**DH\_meth\_get\_generate\_params()** and **DH\_meth\_set\_generate\_params()** get and set the function used for generating DH parameters respectively. This function will be called in response to the application calling **DH\_generate\_parameters\_ex()** (or **DH\_generate\_parameters()**). The parameters for the function

have the same meaning as for **DH\_generate\_parameters\_ex()**. This function may be NULL.

## RETURN VALUES

**DH\_meth\_new()** and **DH\_meth\_dup()** return the newly allocated DH\_METHOD object or NULL on failure.

**DH\_meth\_get0\_name()** and **DH\_meth\_get\_flags()** return the name and flags associated with the DH\_METHOD respectively.

All other DH\_meth\_get\_() functions return the appropriate function pointer that has been set in the DH\_METHOD, or NULL if no such pointer has yet been set.

**DH\_meth\_set1\_name()** and all DH\_meth\_set\_() functions return 1 on success or 0 on failure.

## SEE ALSO

**DH\_new(3)**, **DH\_new(3)**, **DH\_generate\_parameters(3)**, **DH\_generate\_key(3)**, **DH\_set\_method(3)**,  
**DH\_size(3)**, **DH\_get0\_pqg(3)**

## HISTORY

All of these functions were deprecated in OpenSSL 3.0.

The functions described here were added in OpenSSL 1.1.0.

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