### **NAME**

hostname - set or print name of current host system

### **SYNOPSIS**

```
hostname [-f] [-s | -d] [name-of-host]
```

### DESCRIPTION

The **hostname** utility prints the name of the current host. The super-user can set the hostname by supplying an argument; this is usually done in the initialization script /etc/rc.d/hostname, normally run at boot time. This script uses the hostname variable in /etc/rc.conf.

# Options:

- -f Include domain information in the printed name. This is the default behavior.
- -s Trim off any domain information from the printed name.
- -d Only print domain information.

### **EXAMPLES**

Set the host name of the machine and check the result:

```
\$\ hostname\ beastie.local domain.org
```

\$ hostname

beastie.localdomain.org

Do not show domain information:

```
$ hostname -s beastie
```

Show only domain information:

```
$ hostname -d localdomain.org
```

## **SEE ALSO**

```
gethostname(3), rc.conf(5)
```

### HISTORY

The **hostname** command appeared in 4.2BSD.