

**NAME**

qrencode - Encode input data in a QR Code and save as a PNG or EPS image.

**SYNOPSIS**

**qrencode** [-o FILENAME] [OPTION]... [STRING]

**DESCRIPTION**

Libqrencode is a library for encoding data in a QR Code symbol, a kind of 2D symbology that can be scanned by handy terminals such as a mobile phone with CCD. The capacity of QR Code is up to 7000 digits or 4000 characters, and has high robustness.

Qrencode is a utility software using libqrencode to encode string data in a QR Code and save as a PNG or EPS image.

**OPTIONS**

**-h, --help**

display help message.

**-o FILENAME, --output=FILENAME**

write image to FILENAME. If '-' is specified, the result will be output to standard output. If -S is given, structured symbols are written to FILENAME-01.png, FILENAME-02.png, ... (suffix is removed from FILENAME, if specified)

**-r FILENAME, --read-from=FILENAME**

read input data from FILENAME.

**-s NUMBER, --size=NUMBER**

specify the size of dot (pixel). (default=3)

**-l {LMQH}, --level={LMQH}**

specify error correction level from L (lowest) to H (highest). (default=L)

**-v NUMBER, --symversion=NUMBER**

specify the minimum version of the symbol. See SYMBOL VERSIONS for more information. (default=auto)

**-m NUMBER, --margin=NUMBER**

specify the width of margin. (default=4)

**-d NUMBER, --dpi=NUMBER**

specify the DPI of the generated PNG. (default=72)

**-t**

{PNG,PNG32,EPS,SVG,XPM,ANSI,ANSI256,ASCII,ASCIIi,UTF8,UTF8i,ANSIUTF8,ANSIUTF8i,ANSI256UTF8,ANSI256UTF8i}

**--type={PNG,PNG32,EPS,SVG,XPM,ANSI,ANSI256,ASCII,ASCIIi,UTF8,UTF8i,ANSIUTF8,ANSIUTF8i,ANSI256UTF8,ANSI256UTF8i}**

specify the type of the generated image. (default=PNG)

**-S, --structured**

make structured symbols. Version number must be specified with '-v'.

**-k, --kanji**

assume that the input text contains kanji (shift-jis).

**-c, --casesensitive**

encode lower-case alphabet characters in 8-bit mode. (default)

**-i, --ignorecase**

ignore case distinctions and use only upper-case characters.

**-8, --8bit**

encode entire data in 8-bit mode. -k, -c and -i will be ignored.

**-M, --micro**

encode in a Micro QR Code. See MICRO QR CODE for more information.

**--rle**

enable run-length encoding for SVG.

**--svg-path**

use single path to draw modules for SVG.

**--inline**

only useful for SVG output, generates an SVG without the XML tag.

**--foreground=RRGGBB[AA]****--background=RRGGBB[AA]**

specify foreground/background color in hexadecimal notation. 6-digit (RGB) or 8-digit (RGBA) form are supported. Color output support available only in PNG, EPS and SVG.

**--strict-version**

disable automatic version number adjustment. If the input data is too large for the specified version, the program exits with the code of 1.

**-V, --version**

display the version number and copyrights of the qrencode.

**--verbose**

display verbose information to stderr.

**[STRING]**

input data. If it is not specified, data will be taken from standard input.

**SYMBOL VERSIONS**

The symbol versions of QR Code range from Version 1 to Version 40. Each version has a different module configuration or number of modules, ranging from Version 1 (21 x 21 modules) up to Version 40 (177 x 177 modules). Each higher version number comprises 4 additional modules per side by default. See <http://www.qrcode.com/en/about/version.html> for a detailed version list.

**MICRO QR CODE**

With Micro QR Code, You can embed data in a smaller area than with QR Code, but the data capacity is strongly limited. The symbol versions range from Version 1 to 4.

**EXAMPLES**

**qrencode -l L -v 1 -o output.png 'Hello, world!'**

encode into a symbol version 1, level L.

**qrencode -iSv 1 --output=output.png**

read standard input and encode it into a structured-appended symbols in case-insensitive mode.

**qrencode -S -v 40 -l L -r bigfile.txt -o output.png**

read input data from bigfile.txt and encode into a symbol version 40, level L.

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**RESOURCES**

Main Web Site: <https://fukuchi.org/works/qrencode/>

Source code repository: <https://github.com/fukuchi/libqrencode/>

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