

**NAME**

tcpdchk - tcp wrapper configuration checker

**SYNOPSIS**

tcpdchk [-a] [-d] [-i inet\_conf] [-v]

**DESCRIPTION**

*tcpdchk* examines your tcp wrapper configuration and reports all potential and real problems it can find. The program examines the *tcpd* access control files (by default, these are */etc/hosts.allow* and */etc/hosts.deny*), and compares the entries in these files against entries in the *inetd* or *tlid* network configuration files.

*tcpdchk* reports problems such as non-existent pathnames; services that appear in *tcpd* access control rules, but are not controlled by *tcpd*; services that should not be wrapped; non-existent host names or non-internet address forms; occurrences of host aliases instead of official host names; hosts with a name/address conflict; inappropriate use of wildcard patterns; inappropriate use of NIS netgroups or references to non-existent NIS netgroups; references to non-existent options; invalid arguments to options; and so on.

Where possible, *tcpdchk* provides a helpful suggestion to fix the problem.

**OPTIONS**

- a Report access control rules that permit access without an explicit ALLOW keyword. This applies only when the extended access control language is enabled (build with `-DPROCESS_OPTIONS`).
- d Examine *hosts.allow* and *hosts.deny* files in the current directory instead of the default ones.
- i inet\_conf  
Specify this option when *tcpdchk* is unable to find your *inetd.conf* or *tlid.conf* network configuration file, or when you suspect that the program uses the wrong one.
- v Display the contents of each access control rule. Daemon lists, client lists, shell commands and options are shown in a pretty-printed format; this makes it easier for you to spot any discrepancies between what you want and what the program understands.

**FILES**

The default locations of the *tcpd* access control tables are:

*/etc/hosts.allow*

*/etc/hosts.deny*

**SEE ALSO**

tcpdmatch(8), explain what tcpd would do in specific cases.  
hosts\_access(5), format of the tcpd access control tables.  
hosts\_options(5), format of the language extensions.  
inetd.conf(5), format of the inetd control file.  
tlid.conf(5), format of the tlid control file.

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