

SENDMAIL CONFIGURATION FILES

This document describes the sendmail configuration files. This package requires a post-V7 version of m4; if you are running the 4.2bsd, SysV.2, or 7th Edition version. SunOS's /usr/5bin/m4 or BSD-Net/2's m4 both work. GNU m4 version 1.1 or later also works. Unfortunately, the M4 on BSDI 1.0 doesn't work -- you'll have to use a Net/2 or GNU version. GNU m4 is available from ftp://ftp.gnu.org/pub/gnu/m4/m4-1.4.tar.gz (check for the latest version). EXCEPTIONS: DEC's m4 on Digital UNIX 4.x is broken (3.x is fine). Use GNU m4 on this platform.

To get started, you may want to look at tcppproto.mc (for TCP-only sites), uucppproto.mc (for UUCP-only sites), and clientproto.mc (for clusters of clients using a single mail host). Others are versions previously used at Berkeley. For example, ucbvax has gone away, but ucbvax.mc demonstrates some interesting techniques.

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*****
*** BE SURE YOU CUSTOMIZE THESE FILES! They have some ***
*** Berkeley-specific assumptions built in, such as the name ***
*** of their UUCP-relay. You'll want to create your own ***
*** domain description, and use that in place of ***
*** domain/Berkeley.EDU.m4. ***
*****
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| INTRODUCTION AND EXAMPLE |
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```

Configuration files are contained in the subdirectory "cf", with a suffix ".mc". They must be run through "m4" to produce a ".cf" file. You must pre-load "cf.m4":

```
m4 ${CFDIR}/m4/cf.m4 config.mc > config.cf
```

Alternatively, you can simply:

```
cd ${CFDIR}/cf
./Build config.cf
```

where \${CFDIR} is the root of the cf directory and config.mc is the name of your configuration file. If you are running a version of M4 that understands the __file__ builtin (versions of GNU m4 >= 0.75 do this, but the versions distributed with 4.4BSD and derivatives do not) or the -I flag (ditto), then \${CFDIR} can be in an arbitrary directory. For "traditional" versions, \${CFDIR} ***MUST*** be "..", or you MUST use -D_CF_DIR_/path/to/cf/dir/ -- note the trailing slash! For example:

```
m4 -D_CF_DIR_=${CFDIR}/ ${CFDIR}/m4/cf.m4 config.mc > config.cf
```

Let's examine a typical .mc file:

```
divert(-1)
```

```

#
# Copyright (c) 1998-2001 Sendmail, Inc. and its suppliers.
#   All rights reserved.
# Copyright (c) 1983 Eric P. Allman. All rights reserved.
# Copyright (c) 1988, 1993
#   The Regents of the University of California. All rights reserved.
#
# By using this file, you agree to the terms and conditions set
# forth in the LICENSE file which can be found at the top level of
# the sendmail distribution.
#

#
# This is a Berkeley-specific configuration file for HP-UX 9.x.
# It applies only to the Computer Science Division at Berkeley,
# and should not be used elsewhere. It is provided on the sendmail
# distribution as a sample only. To create your own configuration
# file, create an appropriate domain file in ../domain, change the
# `DOMAIN' macro below to reference that file, and copy the result
# to a name of your own choosing.
#
divert(0)

```

The divert(-1) will delete the crud in the resulting output file. The copyright notice can be replaced by whatever your lawyers require; our lawyers require the one that is included in these files. A copyleft is a copyright by another name. The divert(0) restores regular output.

```
VERSIONID(`<SCCS or RCS version id>')
```

VERSIONID is a macro that stuffs the version information into the resulting file. You could use SCCS, RCS, CVS, something else, or omit it completely. This is not the same as the version id included in SMTP greeting messages -- this is defined in m4/version.m4.

```
OSTYPE(`hpux9')dnl
```

You must specify an OSTYPE to properly configure things such as the pathname of the help and status files, the flags needed for the local mailer, and other important things. If you omit it, you will get an error when you try to build the configuration. Look at the ostype directory for the list of known operating system types.

```
DOMAIN(`CS.Berkeley.EDU')dnl
```

This example is specific to the Computer Science Division at Berkeley. You can use "DOMAIN(`generic')" to get a sufficiently bland definition that may well work for you, or you can create a customized domain definition appropriate for your environment.

```
MAILER(`local')
MAILER(`smtp')
```

These describe the mailers used at the default CS site. The local mailer is always included automatically. Beware: MAILER declarations should always be at the end of the configuration file, and MAILER(`smtp') should always precede MAILER(`procmail'), and

MAILER(`uucp'). The general rules are that the order should be:

```
VERSIONID
OSTYPE
DOMAIN
FEATURE
local macro definitions
MAILER
LOCAL_RULE_*
LOCAL_RULESETS
```

There are a few exceptions to this rule. Local macro definitions which influence a FEATURE() should be done before that feature. For example, a define(`PROCMail_MAILER_PATH', ...) should be done before FEATURE(`local_procmail').

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| A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO M4 |
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```

Sendmail uses the M4 macro processor to ``compile'' the configuration files. The most important thing to know is that M4 is stream-based, that is, it doesn't understand about lines. For this reason, in some places you may see the word ``dnl'', which stands for ``delete through newline''; essentially, it deletes all characters starting at the ``dnl'' up to and including the next newline character. In most cases sendmail uses this only to avoid lots of unnecessary blank lines in the output.

Other important directives are define(A, B) which defines the macro ``A'' to have value ``B''. Macros are expanded as they are read, so one normally quotes both values to prevent expansion. For example,

```
define(`SMART_HOST', `smart.foo.com')
```

One word of warning: M4 macros are expanded even in lines that appear to be comments. For example, if you have

```
# See FEATURE(`foo') above
```

it will not do what you expect, because the FEATURE(`foo') will be expanded. This also applies to

```
# And then define the $X macro to be the return address
```

because ``define'' is an M4 keyword. If you want to use them, surround them with directed quotes, `like this'.

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| FILE LOCATIONS |
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```

sendmail 8.9 has introduced a new configuration directory for sendmail related files, /etc/mail. The new files available for sendmail 8.9 -- the class {R} /etc/mail/relay-domains and the access database /etc/mail/access -- take advantage of this new directory. Beginning with

8.10, all files will use this directory by default (some options may be set by OSTYPE() files). This new directory should help to restore uniformity to sendmail's file locations.

Below is a table of some of the common changes:

| Old filename | New filename |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ----- | ----- |
| /etc/bitdomain | /etc/mail/bitdomain |
| /etc/domaintable | /etc/mail/domaintable |
| /etc/genericstable | /etc/mail/genericstable |
| /etc/uudomain | /etc/mail/uudomain |
| /etc/virtusertable | /etc/mail/virtusertable |
| /etc/userdb | /etc/mail/userdb |
| | |
| /etc/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| /etc/sendmail/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| /etc/ucbmail/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| /usr/adm/sendmail/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| /usr/lib/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| /usr/lib/mail/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| /usr/ucblib/aliases | /etc/mail/aliases |
| | |
| /etc/sendmail.cw | /etc/mail/local-host-names |
| /etc/mail/sendmail.cw | /etc/mail/local-host-names |
| /etc/sendmail/sendmail.cw | /etc/mail/local-host-names |
| | |
| /etc/sendmail.ct | /etc/mail/trusted-users |
| | |
| /etc/sendmail.oE | /etc/mail/error-header |
| | |
| /etc/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /etc/mail/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /usr/ucblib/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /etc/ucbmail/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /usr/lib/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /usr/share/lib/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /usr/share/misc/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| /share/misc/sendmail.hf | /etc/mail/helpfile |
| | |
| /etc/service.switch | /etc/mail/service.switch |
| | |
| /etc/sendmail.st | /etc/mail/statistics |
| /etc/mail/sendmail.st | /etc/mail/statistics |
| /etc/mailler/sendmail.st | /etc/mail/statistics |
| /etc/sendmail/sendmail.st | /etc/mail/statistics |
| /usr/lib/sendmail.st | /etc/mail/statistics |
| /usr/ucblib/sendmail.st | /etc/mail/statistics |

Note that all of these paths actually use a new m4 macro MAIL_SETTINGS_DIR to create the pathnames. The default value of this variable is `~/etc/mail/`. If you set this macro to a different value, you MUST include a trailing slash.

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| OSTYPE |
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```

You MUST define an operating system environment, or the configuration file build will puke. There are several environments available; look at the "ostype" directory for the current list. This macro changes things like the location of the alias file and queue directory. Some of these files are identical to one another.

It is IMPERATIVE that the OSTYPE occur before any MAILER definitions. In general, the OSTYPE macro should go immediately after any version information, and MAILER definitions should always go last.

Operating system definitions are usually easy to write. They may define the following variables (everything defaults, so an ostype file may be empty). Unfortunately, the list of configuration-supported systems is not as broad as the list of source-supported systems, since many of the source contributors do not include corresponding ostype files.

ALIAS_FILE [/etc/mail/aliases] The location of the text version of the alias file(s). It can be a comma-separated list of names (but be sure you quote values with commas in them -- for example, use
 define(`ALIAS_FILE', `a,b')
 to get "a" and "b" both listed as alias files; otherwise the define() primitive only sees "a").

HELP_FILE [/etc/mail/helpfile] The name of the file containing information printed in response to the SMTP HELP command.

QUEUE_DIR [/var/spool/mqueue] The directory containing queue files. To use multiple queues, supply a value ending with an asterisk. For example, /var/spool/mqueue/qd* will use all of the directories or symbolic links to directories beginning with 'qd' in /var/spool/mqueue as queue directories. The names 'qf', 'df', and 'xf' are reserved as specific subdirectories for the corresponding queue file types as explained in doc/op/op.me.

STATUS_FILE [/etc/mail/statistics] The file containing status information.

LOCAL_MAILER_PATH [/bin/mail] The program used to deliver local mail.

LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS [Prmn9] The flags used by the local mailer. The flags lsDFMAw5:|@q are always included.

LOCAL_MAILER_ARGS [mail -d \$u] The arguments passed to deliver local mail.

LOCAL_MAILER_MAX [undefined] If defined, the maximum size of local mail that you are willing to accept.

LOCAL_MAILER_MAXMSGs [undefined] If defined, the maximum number of messages to deliver in a single connection. Only useful for LMTP local mailers.

LOCAL_MAILER_CHARSET [undefined] If defined, messages containing 8-bit data that ARRIVE from an address that resolves to the local mailer and which are converted to MIME will be labeled with this character set.

LOCAL_MAILER_EOL [undefined] If defined, the string to use as the end of line for the local mailer.

LOCAL_MAILER_DSN_DIAGNOSTIC_CODE
 [X-Unix] The DSN Diagnostic-Code value for the

local mailer. This should be changed with care.

LOCAL_SHELL_PATH [/bin/sh] The shell used to deliver piped email.

LOCAL_SHELL_FLAGS [eu9] The flags used by the shell mailer. The flags lsDFM are always included.

LOCAL_SHELL_ARGS [sh -c \$u] The arguments passed to deliver "prog" mail.

LOCAL_SHELL_DIR [\$z:/] The directory search path in which the shell should run.

USENET_MAILER_PATH [/usr/lib/news/inews] The name of the program used to submit news.

USENET_MAILER_FLAGS [rsDFMmn] The mailer flags for the usenet mailer.

USENET_MAILER_ARGS [-m -h -n] The command line arguments for the usenet mailer.

USENET_MAILER_MAX [100000] The maximum size of messages that will be accepted by the usenet mailer.

SMTP_MAILER_FLAGS [undefined] Flags added to SMTP mailer. Default flags are `mDFMuX' for all SMTP-based mailers; the "esmtplib" mailer adds `a'; "smtp8" adds `8'; and "dsmtplib" adds `%`.

RELAY_MAILER_FLAGS [undefined] Flags added to the relay mailer. Default flags are `mDFMuX' for all SMTP-based mailers; the relay mailer adds `a8'. If this is not defined, then SMTP_MAILER_FLAGS is used.

SMTP_MAILER_MAX [undefined] The maximum size of messages that will be transported using the smtp, smtp8, esmtplib, or dsmtplib mailers.

SMTP_MAILER_MAXMSGS [undefined] If defined, the maximum number of messages to deliver in a single connection for the smtp, smtp8, esmtplib, or dsmtplib mailers.

SMTP_MAILER_ARGS [TCP \$h] The arguments passed to the smtp mailer. About the only reason you would want to change this would be to change the default port.

ESMTPLIB_MAILER_ARGS [TCP \$h] The arguments passed to the esmtplib mailer.

SMTP8_MAILER_ARGS [TCP \$h] The arguments passed to the smtp8 mailer.

DSMTPLIB_MAILER_ARGS [TCP \$h] The arguments passed to the dsmtplib mailer.

RELAY_MAILER_ARGS [TCP \$h] The arguments passed to the relay mailer.

RELAY_MAILER_MAXMSGS [undefined] If defined, the maximum number of messages to deliver in a single connection for the relay mailer.

SMTP_MAILER_CHARSET [undefined] If defined, messages containing 8-bit data that ARRIVE from an address that resolves to one of the SMTP mailers and which are converted to MIME will be labeled with this character set.

UUCP_MAILER_PATH [/usr/bin/uucp] The program used to send UUCP mail.

UUCP_MAILER_FLAGS [undefined] Flags added to UUCP mailer. Default flags are `DFMhuU' (and `m' for uucp-new mailer, minus `U' for uucp-dom mailer).

UUCP_MAILER_ARGS [uucp - -r -z -a\$g -gC \$h!rmail (\$u)] The arguments passed to the UUCP mailer.

UUCP_MAILER_MAX [100000] The maximum size message accepted for transmission by the UUCP mailers.

UUCP_MAILER_CHARSET [undefined] If defined, messages containing 8-bit data that ARRIVE from an address that resolves to one of the UUCP mailers and which are converted to MIME will be labeled with this character set.

FAX_MAILER_PATH [/usr/local/lib/fax/mailfax] The program used to submit FAX messages.

FAX_MAILER_ARGS [mailfax \$u \$h \$f] The arguments passed to the FAX mailer.

FAX_MAILER_MAX [100000] The maximum size message accepted for transmission by FAX.

POP_MAILER_PATH [/usr/lib/mh/spop] The pathname of the POP mailer.

POP_MAILER_FLAGS [Penu] Flags added to POP mailer. Flags lsDFMq are always added.

POP_MAILER_ARGS [pop \$u] The arguments passed to the POP mailer.

PROCMail_MAILER_PATH [/usr/local/bin/procmail] The path to the procmail program. This is also used by FEATURE(`local_procmail').

PROCMail_MAILER_FLAGS [SPhnu9] Flags added to Procmail mailer. Flags DFM are always set. This is NOT used by FEATURE(`local_procmail'); tweak LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS instead.

PROCMail_MAILER_ARGS [procmail -Y -m \$h \$f \$u] The arguments passed to the Procmail mailer. This is NOT used by FEATURE(`local_procmail'); tweak LOCAL_MAILER_ARGS instead.

PROCMail_MAILER_MAX [undefined] If set, the maximum size message that will be accepted by the procmail mailer.

MAIL11_MAILER_PATH [/usr/etc/maill11] The path to the maill11 mailer.

MAIL11_MAILER_FLAGS [nsFx] Flags for the maill11 mailer.

MAIL11_MAILER_ARGS [maill11 \$g \$x \$h \$u] Arguments passed to the maill11 mailer.

PH_MAILER_PATH [/usr/local/etc/phquery] The path to the phquery program.

PH_MAILER_FLAGS [ehmu] Flags for the phquery mailer. Flags nrDFM are always set.

PH_MAILER_ARGS [phquery -- \$u] -- arguments to the phquery mailer.

CYRUS_MAILER_FLAGS [Ah5@/:|] The flags used by the cyrus mailer. The flags lsDFMnPq are always included.

CYRUS_MAILER_PATH [/usr/cyrus/bin/deliver] The program used to deliver cyrus mail.

CYRUS_MAILER_ARGS [deliver -e -m \$h -- \$u] The arguments passed to deliver cyrus mail.

CYRUS_MAILER_MAX [undefined] If set, the maximum size message that will be accepted by the cyrus mailer.

CYRUS_MAILER_USER [cyrus:mail] The user and group to become when running the cyrus mailer.

CYRUS_BB_MAILER_FLAGS [u] The flags used by the cyrusbb mailer. The flags lsDFMnP are always included.

CYRUS_BB_MAILER_ARGS [deliver -e -m \$u] The arguments passed to deliver cyrusbb mail.

confEBINDIR [/usr/libexec] The directory for executables. Currently used for FEATURE(`local_lmtp') and FEATURE(`smrsh').

QPAGE_MAILER_FLAGS [mDFMs] The flags used by the qpage mailer.

QPAGE_MAILER_PATH [/usr/local/bin/qpage] The program used to deliver qpage mail.

QPAGE_MAILER_ARGS [qpage -l0 -m -P\$u] The arguments passed to deliver qpage mail.

QPAGE_MAILER_MAX [4096] If set, the maximum size message that will be accepted by the qpage mailer.

Note: to tweak Name_MAILER_FLAGS use the macro MODIFY_MAILER_FLAGS: MODIFY_MAILER_FLAGS(`Name', `change') where Name is the first part of

the macro Name_MAILER_FLAGS and change can be: flags that should be used directly (thus overriding the default value), or if it starts with '+' ('-') then those flags are added to (removed from) the default value. Example:

```
MODIFY_MAILER_FLAGS(`LOCAL', `+e')
```

will add the flag 'e' to LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS.

WARNING: The FEATURES local_lmtp and local_procmail set LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS unconditionally, i.e., without respecting any definitions in an OSTYPE setting.

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| DOMAINS |
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```

You will probably want to collect domain-dependent defines into one file, referenced by the DOMAIN macro. For example, the Berkeley domain file includes definitions for several internal distinguished hosts:

UUCP_RELAY The host that will accept UUCP-addressed email.
If not defined, all UUCP sites must be directly connected.

BITNET_RELAY The host that will accept BITNET-addressed email.
If not defined, the .BITNET pseudo-domain won't work.

DECNET_RELAY The host that will accept DECNET-addressed email.
If not defined, the .DECNET pseudo-domain and addresses of the form node::user will not work.

FAX_RELAY The host that will accept mail to the .FAX pseudo-domain.
The "fax" mailer overrides this value.

LOCAL_RELAY The site that will handle unqualified names -- that is, names with out an @domain extension.
Normally MAIL_HUB is preferred for this function.
LOCAL_RELAY is mostly useful in conjunction with FEATURE(stickyhost) -- see the discussion of stickyhost below. If not set, they are assumed to belong on this machine. This allows you to have a central site to store a company- or department-wide alias database. This only works at small sites, and only with some user agents.

LUSER_RELAY The site that will handle lusers -- that is, apparently local names that aren't local accounts or aliases. To specify a local user instead of a site, set this to ``local:username''.

Any of these can be either ``mailer:hostname'' (in which case the mailer is the internal mailer name, such as ``uucp-new'' and the hostname is the name of the host as appropriate for that mailer) or just a ``hostname'', in which case a default mailer type (usually ``relay'', a variant on SMTP) is used. WARNING: if you have a wildcard MX record matching your domain, you probably want to define these to have a trailing dot so that you won't get the mail diverted back to yourself.

The domain file can also be used to define a domain name, if needed

(using "DD<domain>") and set certain site-wide features. If all hosts at your site masquerade behind one email name, you could also use MASQUERADE_AS here.

You do not have to define a domain -- in particular, if you are a single machine sitting off somewhere, it is probably more work than it's worth. This is just a mechanism for combining "domain dependent knowledge" into one place.

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+-----+
| MAILERS |
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```

There are fewer mailers supported in this version than the previous version, owing mostly to a simpler world. As a general rule, put the MAILER definitions last in your .mc file, and always put MAILER(`smtp`) before MAILER(`uucp`) and MAILER(`procmail`) -- several features and definitions will modify the definition of mailers, and the smtp mailer modifies the UUCP mailer. Moreover, MAILER(`cyrus`), MAILER(`pop`), MAILER(`phquery`), and MAILER(`usenet`) must be defined after MAILER(`local`).

- local The local and prog mailers. You will almost always need these; the only exception is if you relay ALL your mail to another site. This mailer is included automatically.
- smtp The Simple Mail Transport Protocol mailer. This does not hide hosts behind a gateway or another other such hack; it assumes a world where everyone is running the name server. This file actually defines five mailers: "smtp" for regular (old-style) SMTP to other servers, "esmtplib" for extended SMTP to other servers, "smtp8" to do SMTP to other servers without converting 8-bit data to MIME (essentially, this is your statement that you know the other end is 8-bit clean even if it doesn't say so), "dsmtplib" to do on demand delivery, and "relay" for transmission to the RELAY_HOST, LUSER_RELAY, or MAIL_HUB.
- uucp The UNIX-to-UNIX Copy Program mailer. Actually, this defines two mailers, "uucp-old" (a.k.a. "uucp") and "uucp-new" (a.k.a. "suucp"). The latter is for when you know that the UUCP mailer at the other end can handle multiple recipients in one transfer. If the smtp mailer is also included in your configuration, two other mailers ("uucp-dom" and "uucp-uudom") are also defined [warning: you MUST specify MAILER(smtp) before MAILER(uucp)]. When you include the uucp mailer, sendmail looks for all names in class {U} and sends them to the uucp-old mailer; all names in class {Y} are sent to uucp-new; and all names in class {Z} are sent to uucp-uudom. Note that this is a function of what version of rmail runs on the receiving end, and hence may be out of your control. See the section below describing UUCP mailers in more detail.

usenet Usenet (network news) delivery. If this is specified, an extra rule is added to ruleset 0 that forwards all local email for users named ``group.usenet'' to the ``inews'' program. Note that this works for all groups, and may be considered a security problem.

fax Facsimile transmission. This is experimental and based on Sam Leffler's HylaFAX software. For more information, see <http://www.hylafax.org/>.

pop Post Office Protocol.

procmail An interface to procmail (does not come with sendmail). This is designed to be used in mailertables. For example, a common question is "how do I forward all mail for a given domain to a single person?". If you have this mailer defined, you could set up a mailertable reading:

```

      host.com  procmail:/etc/procmailrcs/host.com
  
```

with the file /etc/procmailrcs/host.com reading:

```

      :0      # forward mail for host.com
      ! -oi -f $1 person@other.host
  
```

This would arrange for (anything)@host.com to be sent to person@other.host. Within the procmail script, \$1 is the name of the sender and \$2 is the name of the recipient. If you use this with FEATURE(`local_procmail'), the FEATURE should be listed first.

maill1 The DECnet maill1 mailer, useful only if you have the maill1 program from gatekeeper.dec.com:/pub/DEC/gwtools (and DECnet, of course). This is for Phase IV DECnet support; if you have Phase V at your site you may have additional problems.

phquery The phquery program. This is somewhat counterintuitively referenced as the "ph" mailer internally. It can be used to do CCSO name server lookups. The phquery program, which this mailer uses, is distributed with the ph client.

cyrus The cyrus and cyrusbb mailers. The cyrus mailer delivers to a local cyrus user. this mailer can make use of the "user+detail@local.host" syntax; it will deliver the mail to the user's "detail" mailbox if the mailbox's ACL permits. The cyrusbb mailer delivers to a system-wide cyrus mailbox if the mailbox's ACL permits. The cyrus mailer must be defined after the local mailer.

qpage A mailer for QuickPage, a pager interface. See <http://www.qpage.org/> for further information.

The local mailer accepts addresses of the form "user+detail", where the "+detail" is not used for mailbox matching but is available to certain local mail programs (in particular, see FEATURE(`local_procmail')). For example, "eric", "eric+sendmail", and

"eric+swv" all indicate the same user, but additional arguments <null>, "sendmail", and "swv" may be provided for use in sorting mail.

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| FEATURES |
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```

Special features can be requested using the "FEATURE" macro. For example, the .mc line:

```
FEATURE(`use_cw_file')
```

tells sendmail that you want to have it read an /etc/mail/local-host-names file to get values for class {w}. The FEATURE may contain up to 9 optional parameters -- for example:

```
FEATURE(`mailertable', `dbm /usr/lib/mailertable')
```

The default database map type for the table features can be set with

```
define(`DATABASE_MAP_TYPE', `dbm')
```

which would set it to use ndbm databases. The default is the Berkeley DB hash database format. Note that you must still declare a database map type if you specify an argument to a FEATURE. DATABASE_MAP_TYPE is only used if no argument is given for the FEATURE. It must be specified before any feature that uses a map.

Available features are:

use_cw_file Read the file /etc/mail/local-host-names file to get alternate names for this host. This might be used if you were on a host that MXed for a dynamic set of other hosts. If the set is static, just including the line "Cw<name1> <name2> ..." (where the names are fully qualified domain names) is probably superior. The actual filename can be overridden by redefining confCW_FILE.

use_ct_file Read the file /etc/mail/trusted-users file to get the names of users that will be ``trusted'', that is, able to set their envelope from address using -f without generating a warning message. The actual filename can be overridden by redefining confCT_FILE.

redirect Reject all mail addressed to "address.REDIRECT" with a ``551 User has moved; please try <address>' message. If this is set, you can alias people who have left to their new address with ".REDIRECT" appended.

noucp Don't route UUCP addresses. This feature takes one parameter:
`reject': reject addresses which have "!" in the local part unless it originates from a system that is allowed to relay.
`nospecial': don't do anything special with "!".
Warnings: 1. See the NOTICE in the ANTI-SPAM section.

2. don't remove "!" from OperatorChars if `reject' is given as parameter.

`nocanonify` Don't pass addresses to `[$... $]` for canonification by default, i.e., host/domain names are considered canonical, except for unqualified names, which must not be used in this mode (violation of the standard). It can be changed by setting the `DaemonPortOptions` modifiers (M=). That is, `FEATURE(`nocanonify')` will be overridden by setting the 'c' flag. Conversely, if `FEATURE(`nocanonify')` is not used, it can be emulated by setting the 'C' flag (`DaemonPortOptions=Modifiers=C`). This would generally only be used by sites that only act as mail gateways or which have user agents that do full canonification themselves. You may also want to use `"define(`confBIND_OPTS', `-DNSRCH -DEFNAMES')"` to turn off the usual resolver options that do a similar thing.

An exception list for `FEATURE(`nocanonify')` can be specified with `CANONIFY_DOMAIN` or `CANONIFY_DOMAIN_FILE`, i.e., a list of domains which are nevertheless passed to `[$... $]` for canonification. This is useful to turn on canonification for local domains, e.g., use `CANONIFY_DOMAIN(`my.domain my')` to canonify addresses which end in "my.domain" or "my". Another way to require canonification in the local domain is `CANONIFY_DOMAIN(`$=m')`.

A trailing dot is added to addresses with more than one component in it such that other features which expect a trailing dot (e.g., `virtusertable`) will still work.

If ``canonify_hosts'` is specified as parameter, i.e., `FEATURE(`nocanonify', `canonify_hosts')`, then addresses which have only a hostname, e.g., `<user@host>`, will be canonified (and hopefully fully qualified), too.

`stickyhost` This feature is sometimes used with `LOCAL_RELAY`, although it can be used for a different effect with `MAIL_HUB`.

When used without `MAIL_HUB`, email sent to "user@local.host" are marked as "sticky" -- that is, the local addresses aren't matched against UDB, don't go through ruleset 5, and are not forwarded to the `LOCAL_RELAY` (if defined).

With `MAIL_HUB`, mail addressed to "user@local.host" is forwarded to the mail hub, with the envelope address still remaining "user@local.host". Without `stickyhost`, the envelope would be changed to "user@mail_hub", in order to protect against mailing loops.

`mailertable` Include a "mailer table" which can be used to override

routing for particular domains (which are not in class {w}, i.e. local host names). The argument of the FEATURE may be the key definition. If none is specified, the definition used is:

```
hash /etc/mail/mailertable
```

Keys in this database are fully qualified domain names or partial domains preceded by a dot -- for example, "vangogh.CS.Berkeley.EDU" or ".CS.Berkeley.EDU". As a special case of the latter, "." matches any domain not covered by other keys. Values must be of the form:

```
mailer:domain
```

where "mailer" is the internal mailer name, and "domain" is where to send the message. These maps are not reflected into the message header. As a special case, the forms:

```
local:user
```

will forward to the indicated user using the local mailer, local:

will forward to the original user in the e-mail address using the local mailer, and

```
error:code message
```

```
error:D.S.N:code message
```

will give an error message with the indicated SMTP reply code and message, where D.S.N is an RFC 1893 compliant error code.

domaintable Include a "domain table" which can be used to provide domain name mapping. Use of this should really be limited to your own domains. It may be useful if you change names (e.g., your company changes names from oldname.com to newname.com). The argument of the FEATURE may be the key definition. If none is specified, the definition used is:

```
hash /etc/mail/domaintable
```

The key in this table is the domain name; the value is the new (fully qualified) domain. Anything in the domaintable is reflected into headers; that is, this is done in ruleset 3.

bitdomain Look up bitnet hosts in a table to try to turn them into internet addresses. The table can be built using the bitdomain program contributed by John Gardiner Myers. The argument of the FEATURE may be the key definition; if none is specified, the definition used is:

```
hash /etc/mail/bitdomain
```

Keys are the bitnet hostname; values are the corresponding internet hostname.

uucpdomain Similar feature for UUCP hosts. The default map definition is:

hash /etc/mail/uudomain

At the moment there is no automagic tool to build this database.

`always_add_domain`

Include the local host domain even on locally delivered mail. Normally it is not added on unqualified names. However, if you use a shared message store but do not use the same user name space everywhere, you may need the host name on local names.

`allmasquerade` If masquerading is enabled (using `MASQUERADE_AS`), this feature will cause recipient addresses to also masquerade as being from the masquerade host. Normally they get the local hostname. Although this may be right for ordinary users, it can break local aliases. For example, if you send to "localalias", the originating sendmail will find that alias and send to all members, but send the message with "To: localalias@masqueradehost". Since that alias likely does not exist, replies will fail. Use this feature ONLY if you can guarantee that the ENTIRE namespace on your masquerade host superset all the local entries.

`limited_masquerade`

Normally, any hosts listed in class {w} are masqueraded. If this feature is given, only the hosts listed in class {M} (see below: `MASQUERADE_DOMAIN`) are masqueraded. This is useful if you have several domains with disjoint namespaces hosted on the same machine.

`masquerade_entire_domain`

If masquerading is enabled (using `MASQUERADE_AS`) and `MASQUERADE_DOMAIN` (see below) is set, this feature will cause addresses to be rewritten such that the masquerading domains are actually entire domains to be hidden. All hosts within the masquerading domains will be rewritten to the masquerade name (used in `MASQUERADE_AS`). For example, if you have:

```
MASQUERADE_AS(`masq.com')
MASQUERADE_DOMAIN(`foo.org')
MASQUERADE_DOMAIN(`bar.com')
```

then `*foo.org` and `*bar.com` are converted to `masq.com`. Without this feature, only `foo.org` and `bar.com` are masqueraded.

NOTE: only domains within your jurisdiction and current hierarchy should be masqueraded using this.

`genericstable` This feature will cause unqualified addresses (i.e., without a domain) and addresses with a domain listed in class {G} to be looked up in a map and turned into another ("generic") form, which can change both the domain name and the user name. This is similar to the `userdb` functionality. The same types of addresses as for masquerading are looked up, i.e., only header

sender addresses unless the allmasquerade and/or masquerade_envelope features are given. Qualified addresses must have the domain part in class {G}; entries can be added to this class by the macros GENERICS_DOMAIN or GENERICS_DOMAIN_FILE (analogously to MASQUERADE_DOMAIN and MASQUERADE_DOMAIN_FILE, see below).

The argument of FEATURE(`genericstable') may be the map definition; the default map definition is:

```
hash /etc/mail/genericstable
```

The key for this table is either the full address, the domain (with a leading @; the localpart is passed as first argument) or the unqualified username (tried in the order mentioned); the value is the new user address. If the new user address does not include a domain, it will be qualified in the standard manner, i.e., using \$j or the masquerade name. Note that the address being looked up must be fully qualified. For local mail, it is necessary to use FEATURE(`always_add_domain') for the addresses to be qualified.

The "+detail" of an address is passed as %1, so entries like

```
old+*@foo.org    new+%1@example.com
gen+*@foo.org    %1@example.com
```

and other forms are possible.

generics_entire_domain

If the genericstable is enabled and GENERICS_DOMAIN or GENERICS_DOMAIN_FILE is used, this feature will cause addresses to be searched in the map if their domain parts are subdomains of elements in class {G}.

virtusertable A domain-specific form of aliasing, allowing multiple virtual domains to be hosted on one machine. For example, if the virtuser table contained:

```
info@foo.com    foo-info
info@bar.com    bar-info
joe@bar.com     error:nouser No such user here
jax@bar.com     error:D.S.N:unavailable Address invalid
@baz.org       jane@example.net
```

then mail addressed to info@foo.com will be sent to the address foo-info, mail addressed to info@bar.com will be delivered to bar-info, and mail addressed to anyone at baz.org will be sent to jane@example.net, mail to joe@bar.com will be rejected with the specified error message, and mail to jax@bar.com will also have a RFC 1893 compliant error code D.S.N.

The username from the original address is passed as %1 allowing:

```
@foo.org    %1@example.com
```

meaning someone@foo.org will be sent to someone@example.com. Additionally, if the local part consists of "user+detail" then "detail" is passed as %2 when a match against user+* is attempted, so entries like

```
old+*@foo.org    new+%2@example.com
gen+*@foo.org    %2@example.com
+*@foo.org %1+%2@example.com
```

and other forms are possible. Note: to preserve "+detail" for a default case (@domain) +*@domain must be used as exemplified above.

All the host names on the left hand side (foo.com, bar.com, and baz.org) must be in class {w} or class {VirtHost}, the latter can be defined by the macros VIRTUSER_DOMAIN or VIRTUSER_DOMAIN_FILE (analogously to MASQUERADE_DOMAIN and MASQUERADE_DOMAIN_FILE, see below). If VIRTUSER_DOMAIN or VIRTUSER_DOMAIN_FILE is used, then the entries of class {VirtHost} are added to class {R}, i.e., relaying is allowed to (and from) those domains. The default map definition is:

```
hash /etc/mail/virtusertable
```

A new definition can be specified as the second argument of the FEATURE macro, such as

```
FEATURE(`virtusertable', `dbm /etc/mail/virtusers')
```

virtuser_entire_domain

If the virtusertable is enabled and VIRTUSER_DOMAIN or VIRTUSER_DOMAIN_FILE is used, this feature will cause addresses to be searched in the map if their domain parts are subdomains of elements in class {VirtHost}.

ldap_routing Implement LDAP-based e-mail recipient routing according to the Internet Draft draft-lachman-laser-ldap-mail-routing-01. This provides a method to re-route addresses with a domain portion in class {LDAPRoute} to either a different mail host or a different address. Hosts can be added to this class using LDAPROUTE_DOMAIN and LDAPROUTE_DOMAIN_FILE (analogously to MASQUERADE_DOMAIN and MASQUERADE_DOMAIN_FILE, see below).

See the LDAP ROUTING section below for more information.

nodns

If you aren't running DNS at your site (for example, you are UUCP-only connected). It's hard to consider this a "feature", but hey, it had to go somewhere. Actually, as of 8.7 this is a no-op -- remove "dns" from the hosts service switch entry instead.

nullclient This is a special case -- it creates a configuration file containing nothing but support for forwarding all mail to a central hub via a local SMTP-based network. The argument is the name of that hub.

The only other feature that should be used in conjunction with this one is FEATURE(`nocanonify'). No mailers should be defined. No aliasing or forwarding is done.

`local_lmtp` Use an LMTP capable local mailer. The argument to this feature is the pathname of an LMTP capable mailer. By default, mail.local is used. This is expected to be the mail.local which came with the 8.9 distribution which is LMTP capable. The path to mail.local is set by the confEBINDIR m4 variable -- making the default LOCAL_MAILER_PATH /usr/libexec/mail.local.
WARNING: This feature sets LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS unconditionally, i.e., without respecting any definitions in an OSTYPE setting.

`local_procmail` Use procmail or another delivery agent as the local mailer. The argument to this feature is the pathname of the delivery agent, which defaults to PROCMail_MAILER_PATH. Note that this does NOT use PROCMail_MAILER_FLAGS or PROCMail_MAILER_ARGS for the local mailer; tweak LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS and LOCAL_MAILER_ARGS instead, or specify the appropriate parameters. When procmail is used, the local mailer can make use of the "user+indicator@local.host" syntax; normally the +indicator is just tossed, but by default it is passed as the -a argument to procmail.

This feature can take up to three arguments:

1. Path to the mailer program
[default: /usr/local/bin/procmail]
2. Argument vector including name of the program
[default: procmail -Y -a \$h -d \$u]
3. Flags for the mailer [default: SPfhn9]

Empty arguments cause the defaults to be taken.

For example, this allows it to use the maildrop (<http://www.flounder.net/~mrsam/maildrop/>) mailer instead by specifying:

```
FEATURE(`local_procmail', `/usr/local/bin/maildrop',  
`maildrop -d $u')
```

or scanmails using:

```
FEATURE(`local_procmail', `/usr/local/bin/scanmails')
```

WARNING: This feature sets LOCAL_MAILER_FLAGS unconditionally, i.e., without respecting any definitions in an OSTYPE setting.

`bestmx_is_local` Accept mail as though locally addressed for any host that lists us as the best possible MX record. This generates additional DNS traffic, but should be OK for low to medium traffic hosts. The argument may be a set of domains, which will limit the feature to only apply to these domains -- this will reduce unnecessary DNS traffic. THIS FEATURE IS FUNDAMENTALLY INCOMPATIBLE WITH

WILDCARD MX RECORDS!!! If you have a wildcard MX record that matches your domain, you cannot use this feature.

`smrsh` Use the SendMail Restricted SHell (`smrsh`) provided with the distribution instead of `/bin/sh` for mailing to programs. This improves the ability of the local system administrator to control what gets run via e-mail. If an argument is provided it is used as the pathname to `smrsh`; otherwise, the path defined by `confEBINDIR` is used for the `smrsh` binary -- by default, `/usr/libexec/smrsh` is assumed.

`promiscuous_relay`
By default, the `sendmail` configuration files do not permit mail relaying (that is, accepting mail from outside your local host (class {w}) and sending it to another host than your local host). This option sets your site to allow mail relaying from any site to any site. In almost all cases, it is better to control relaying more carefully with the access map, class {R}, or authentication. Domains can be added to class {R} by the macros `RELAY_DOMAIN` or `RELAY_DOMAIN_FILE` (analogously to `MASQUERADE_DOMAIN` and `MASQUERADE_DOMAIN_FILE`, see below).

`relay_entire_domain`
By default, only hosts listed as `RELAY` in the access db will be allowed to relay. This option also allows any host in your domain as defined by class {m}.

`relay_hosts_only`
By default, names that are listed as `RELAY` in the access db and class {R} are domain names, not host names. For example, if you specify ``foo.com'`, then mail to or from `foo.com`, `abc.foo.com`, or `a.very.deep.domain.foo.com` will all be accepted for relaying. This feature changes the behaviour to lookup individual host names only.

`relay_based_on_MX`
Turns on the ability to allow relaying based on the MX records of the host portion of an incoming recipient; that is, if an MX record for host `foo.com` points to your site, you will accept and relay mail addressed to `foo.com`. See description below for more information before using this feature. Also, see the `KNOWNBUGS` entry regarding `bestmx` map lookups.

`FEATURE(`relay_based_on_MX')` does not necessarily allow routing of these messages which you expect to be allowed, if route address syntax (or `%-hack` syntax) is used. If this is a problem, add entries to the access-table or use `FEATURE(`loose_relay_check')`.

`relay_mail_from`
Allows relaying if the mail sender is listed as `RELAY` in the access map. If an optional argument ``domain'` is given, the domain portion of the mail sender is checked too. This should only be used if absolutely necessary as the

sender address can be easily forged. Use of this feature requires the "From:" tag be prepended to the key in the access map; see the discussion of tags and FEATURE('relay_mail_from') in the section on ANTI-SPAM CONFIGURATION CONTROL.

relay_local_from

Allows relaying if the domain portion of the mail sender is a local host. This should only be used if absolutely necessary as it opens a window for spammers. Specifically, they can send mail to your mail server that claims to be from your domain (either directly or via a routed address), and you will go ahead and relay it out to arbitrary hosts on the Internet.

accept_unqualified_senders

Normally, MAIL FROM: commands in the SMTP session will be refused if the connection is a network connection and the sender address does not include a domain name. If your setup sends local mail unqualified (i.e., MAIL FROM: <joe>), you will need to use this feature to accept unqualified sender addresses. Setting the DaemonPortOptions modifier 'u' overrides the default behavior, i.e., unqualified addresses are accepted even without this FEATURE. If this FEATURE is not used, the DaemonPortOptions modifier 'f' can be used to enforce fully qualified addresses.

accept_unresolvable_domains

Normally, MAIL FROM: commands in the SMTP session will be refused if the host part of the argument to MAIL FROM: cannot be located in the host name service (e.g., an A or MX record in DNS). If you are inside a firewall that has only a limited view of the Internet host name space, this could cause problems. In this case you probably want to use this feature to accept all domains on input, even if they are unresolvable.

access_db Turns on the access database feature. The access db gives you the ability to allow or refuse to accept mail from specified domains for administrative reasons. By default, the access database specification is:

```
hash /etc/mail/access
```

The format of the database is described in the anti-spam configuration control section later in this document.

blacklist_recipients

Turns on the ability to block incoming mail for certain recipient usernames, hostnames, or addresses. For example, you can block incoming mail to user nobody, host foo.mydomain.com, or guest@bar.mydomain.com. These specifications are put in the access db as described in the anti-spam configuration control section later in this document.

delay_checks The rulesets check_mail and check_relay will not be called

when a client connects or issues a MAIL command, respectively. Instead, those rulesets will be called by the check_rcpt ruleset; they will be skipped under certain circumstances. See "Delay all checks" in "ANTI-SPAM CONFIGURATION CONTROL".

- rbl This feature is deprecated! Please use dnsbl instead. Turns on rejection of hosts found in the Realtime Blackhole List. If an argument is provided it is used as the domain in which blocked hosts are listed; otherwise, the main RBL domain rbl.maps.vix.com is used. For details, see <http://maps.vix.com/rbl/>.
- dnsbl Turns on rejection of hosts found in an DNS based rejection list. If an argument is provided it is used as the domain in which blocked hosts are listed; otherwise it defaults to blackholes.mail-abuse.org. An explanation for an DNS based rejection list can be found <http://mail-abuse.org/rbl/>. A second argument can be used to change the default error message of Mail from `#{client_addr} refused by blackhole site SERVER` where SERVER is replaced by the first argument. This feature can be included several times to query different DNS based rejection lists.

loose_relay_check Normally, if % addressing is used for a recipient, e.g. `user%site@othersite`, and othersite is in class {R}, the check_rcpt ruleset will strip @othersite and recheck user@site for relaying. This feature changes that behavior. It should not be needed for most installations.

no_default_msa Don't generate the default MSA daemon, i.e.,
DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Port=587,Name=MSA,M=E')
To define a MSA daemon with other parameters, use this FEATURE and introduce new settings via DAEMON_OPTIONS().

```
+-----+  
| HACKS |  
+-----+
```

Some things just can't be called features. To make this clear, they go in the hack subdirectory and are referenced using the HACK macro. These will tend to be site-dependent. The release includes the Berkeley-dependent "cssubdomain" hack (that makes sendmail accept local names in either Berkeley.EDU or CS.Berkeley.EDU; this is intended as a short-term aid while moving hosts into subdomains.

```
+-----+  
| SITE CONFIGURATION |  
+-----+
```

```
*****  
* This section is really obsolete, and is preserved *  
* only for back compatibility. You should plan on *  
* using mailertables for new installations. In *  
* particular, it doesn't work for the newer forms *
```

```
* of UUCP mailers, such as uucp-uudom.          *
*****
```

Complex sites will need more local configuration information, such as lists of UUCP hosts they speak with directly. This can get a bit more tricky. For an example of a "complex" site, see cf/ucbvax.mc.

The SITECONFIG macro allows you to indirectly reference site-dependent configuration information stored in the siteconfig subdirectory. For example, the line

```
SITECONFIG(`uucp.ucbvax', `ucbvax', `U')
```

reads the file uucp.ucbvax for local connection information. The second parameter is the local name (in this case just "ucbvax" since it is locally connected, and hence a UUCP hostname). The third parameter is the name of both a macro to store the local name (in this case, {U}) and the name of the class (e.g., {U}) in which to store the host information read from the file. Another SITECONFIG line reads

```
SITECONFIG(`uucp.ucbarpa', `ucbarpa.Berkeley.EDU', `W')
```

This says that the file uucp.ucbarpa contains the list of UUCP sites connected to ucbarpa.Berkeley.EDU. Class {W} will be used to store this list, and \$W is defined to be ucbarpa.Berkeley.EDU, that is, the name of the relay to which the hosts listed in uucp.ucbarpa are connected. [The machine ucbarpa is gone now, but this out-of-date configuration file has been left around to demonstrate how you might do this.]

Note that the case of SITECONFIG with a third parameter of ``U' is special; the second parameter is assumed to be the UUCP name of the local site, rather than the name of a remote site, and the UUCP name is entered into class {w} (the list of local hostnames) as \$U.UUCP.

The siteconfig file (e.g., siteconfig/uucp.ucbvax.m4) contains nothing more than a sequence of SITE macros describing connectivity. For example:

```
SITE(`cnmat')
SITE(`sgi olympus')
```

The second example demonstrates that you can use two names on the same line; these are usually aliases for the same host (or are at least in the same company).

```
+-----+
| USING UUCP MAILERS |
+-----+
```

It's hard to get UUCP mailers right because of the extremely ad hoc nature of UUCP addressing. These config files are really designed for domain-based addressing, even for UUCP sites.

There are four UUCP mailers available. The choice of which one to use is partly a matter of local preferences and what is running at

the other end of your UUCP connection. Unlike good protocols that define what will go over the wire, UUCP uses the policy that you should do what is right for the other end; if they change, you have to change. This makes it hard to do the right thing, and discourages people from updating their software. In general, if you can avoid UUCP, please do.

The major choice is whether to go for a domainized scheme or a non-domainized scheme. This depends entirely on what the other end will recognize. If at all possible, you should encourage the other end to go to a domain-based system -- non-domainized addresses don't work entirely properly.

The four mailers are:

uucp-old (obsolete name: "uucp")

This is the oldest, the worst (but the closest to UUCP) way of sending messages accros UUCP connections. It does bangify everything and prepends \$U (your UUCP name) to the sender's address (which can already be a bang path itself). It can only send to one address at a time, so it spends a lot of time copying duplicates of messages. Avoid this if at all possible.

uucp-new (obsolete name: "suucp")

The same as above, except that it assumes that in one rmail command you can specify several recipients. It still has a lot of other problems.

uucp-dom

This UUCP mailer keeps everything as domain addresses. Basically, it uses the SMTP mailer rewriting rules. This mailer is only included if MAILER(`smtp') is also specified.

Unfortunately, a lot of UUCP mailer transport agents require bangified addresses in the envelope, although you can use domain-based addresses in the message header. (The envelope shows up as the From_ line on UNIX mail.) So....

uucp-uudom

This is a cross between uucp-new (for the envelope addresses) and uucp-dom (for the header addresses). It bangifies the envelope sender (From_ line in messages) without adding the local hostname, unless there is no host name on the address at all (e.g., "wolf") or the host component is a UUCP host name instead of a domain name ("somehost!wolf" instead of "some.dom.ain!wolf"). This is also included only if MAILER(`smtp') is also specified.

Examples:

On host grasp.insa-lyon.fr (UUCP host name "grasp"), the following summarizes the sender rewriting for various mailers.

| Mailer | sender | rewriting in the envelope |
|----------------|--------|---------------------------|
| ----- | ----- | ----- |
| uucp-{old,new} | wolf | grasp!wolf |

```
uucp-dom    wolf          wolf@grasp.insa-lyon.fr
uucp-uudom  wolf          grasp.insa-lyon.fr!wolf
```

```
uucp-{old,new} wolf@fr.net    grasp!fr.net!wolf
uucp-dom    wolf@fr.net    wolf@fr.net
uucp-uudom  wolf@fr.net    fr.net!wolf
```

```
uucp-{old,new} somehost!wolf  grasp!somehost!wolf
uucp-dom    somehost!wolf  somehost!wolf@grasp.insa-lyon.fr
uucp-uudom  somehost!wolf  grasp.insa-lyon.fr!somehost!wolf
```

If you are using one of the domainized UUCP mailers, you really want to convert all UUCP addresses to domain format -- otherwise, it will do it for you (and probably not the way you expected). For example, if you have the address foo!bar!baz (and you are not sending to foo), the heuristics will add the @uucp.relay.name or @local.host.name to this address. However, if you map foo to foo.host.name first, it will not add the local hostname. You can do this using the uucpdomain feature.

```
+-----+
| TWEAKING RULESETS |
+-----+
```

For more complex configurations, you can define special rules. The macro LOCAL_RULE_3 introduces rules that are used in canonicalizing the names. Any modifications made here are reflected in the header.

A common use is to convert old UUCP addresses to SMTP addresses using the UUCPSMTP macro. For example:

```
LOCAL_RULE_3
UUCPSMTP(`decvax', `decvax.dec.com')
UUCPSMTP(`research', `research.att.com')
```

will cause addresses of the form "decvax!user" and "research!user" to be converted to "user@decvax.dec.com" and "user@research.att.com" respectively.

This could also be used to look up hosts in a database map:

```
LOCAL_RULE_3
R$* < @ $+ > $*      $: $1 < @ $(hostmap $2 $) > $3
```

This map would be defined in the LOCAL_CONFIG portion, as shown below.

Similarly, LOCAL_RULE_0 can be used to introduce new parsing rules. For example, new rules are needed to parse hostnames that you accept via MX records. For example, you might have:

```
LOCAL_RULE_0
R$+ <@ host.dom.ain.> $#uucp $@ cmat $: $1 < @ host.dom.ain.>
```

You would use this if you had installed an MX record for cmat.Berkeley.EDU pointing at this host; this rule catches the message and forwards it on using UUCP.

You can also tweak rulesets 1 and 2 using LOCAL_RULE_1 and LOCAL_RULE_2. These rulesets are normally empty.

A similar macro is LOCAL_CONFIG. This introduces lines added after the boilerplate option setting but before rulesets. Do not declare rulesets in the LOCAL_CONFIG section. It can be used to declare local database maps or whatever. For example:

```
LOCAL_CONFIG
Khostmap hash /etc/mail/hostmap
Kyplocal nis -m hosts.byname
```

```
+-----+
| MASQUERADING AND RELAYING |
+-----+
```

You can have your host masquerade as another using

```
MASQUERADE_AS(`host.domain')
```

This causes mail being sent to be labeled as coming from the indicated host.domain, rather than \$j. One normally masquerades as one of one's own subdomains (for example, it's unlikely that Berkeley would choose to masquerade as an MIT site). This behaviour is modified by a plethora of FEATURES; in particular, see masquerade_envelope, allmasquerade, limited_masquerade, and masquerade_entire_domain.

The masquerade name is not normally canonified, so it is important that it be your One True Name, that is, fully qualified and not a CNAME. However, if you use a CNAME, the receiving side may canonify it for you, so don't think you can cheat CNAME mapping this way.

Normally the only addresses that are masqueraded are those that come from this host (that is, are either unqualified or in class {w}, the list of local domain names). You can augment this list, which is realized by class {M} using

```
MASQUERADE_DOMAIN(`otherhost.domain')
```

The effect of this is that although mail to user@otherhost.domain will not be delivered locally, any mail including any user@otherhost.domain will, when relayed, be rewritten to have the MASQUERADE_AS address. This can be a space-separated list of names.

If these names are in a file, you can use

```
MASQUERADE_DOMAIN_FILE(`filename')
```

to read the list of names from the indicated file (i.e., to add elements to class {M}).

To exempt hosts or subdomains from being masqueraded, you can use

```
MASQUERADE_EXCEPTION(`host.domain')
```



```

LOCAL_RELAY set to mail.CS.Berkeley.EDU      (delivered locally)
mail.CS.Berkeley.EDU      (no local aliasing)      (aliasing done)

MAIL_HUB set to mammoth.CS.Berkeley.EDU      mammoth.CS.Berkeley.EDU
mammoth.CS.Berkeley.EDU      (aliasing done)      (aliasing done)

Both LOCAL_RELAY and mail.CS.Berkeley.EDU      mammoth.CS.Berkeley.EDU
MAIL_HUB set as above      (no local aliasing)      (aliasing done)

```

If you do not have FEATURE(`stickyhost') set, then LOCAL_RELAY and MAIL_HUB act identically, with MAIL_HUB taking precedence.

If you want all outgoing mail to go to a central relay site, define SMART_HOST as well. Briefly:

```

LOCAL_RELAY applies to unqualified names (e.g., "eric").
MAIL_HUB applies to names qualified with the name of the
    local host (e.g., "eric@mastodon.CS.Berkeley.EDU").
SMART_HOST applies to names qualified with other hosts or
    bracketed addresses (e.g., "eric@mastodon.CS.Berkeley.EDU"
    or "eric@[127.0.0.1]").

```

However, beware that other relays (e.g., UUCP_RELAY, BITNET_RELAY, DECNET_RELAY, and FAX_RELAY) take precedence over SMART_HOST, so if you really want absolutely everything to go to a single central site you will need to unset all the other relays -- or better yet, find or build a minimal config file that does this.

For duplicate suppression to work properly, the host name is best specified with a terminal dot:

```

define(`MAIL_HUB', `host.domain.')
    note the trailing dot ---^

```

```

+-----+
| LDAP ROUTING |
+-----+

```

FEATURE(`ldap_routing') can be used to implement the IETF Internet Draft LDAP Schema for Intranet Mail Routing (draft-lachman-laser-ldap-mail-routing-01). This feature enables LDAP-based rerouting of a particular address to either a different host or a different address. The LDAP lookup is first attempted on the full address (e.g., user@example.com) and then on the domain portion (e.g., @example.com). Be sure to setup your domain for LDAP routing using LDAPROUTE_DOMAIN(), e.g.:

```

LDAPROUTE_DOMAIN(`example.com')

```

By default, the feature will use the schemas as specified in the draft and will not reject addresses not found by the LDAP lookup. However, this behavior can be changed by giving additional arguments to the FEATURE() command:

```

FEATURE(`ldap_routing', <mailHost>, <mailRoutingAddress>, <bounce>)

```

where <mailHost> is a map definition describing how to lookup an alternative mail host for a particular address; <mailRoutingAddress> is a map definition describing how to lookup an alternative address for a particular address; and the <bounce> argument, if present and not the word "passthru", dictates that mail should be bounced if neither a mailHost nor mailRoutingAddress is found.

The default <mailHost> map definition is:

```
ldap -l -v mailHost -k (&(objectClass=inetLocalMailRecipient)
(mailLocalAddress=%0))
```

The default <mailRoutingAddress> map definition is:

```
ldap -l -v mailRoutingAddress -k (&(objectClass=inetLocalMailRecipient)
(mailLocalAddress=%0))
```

Note that neither includes the LDAP server hostname (-h server) or base DN (-b o=org,c=COUNTRY), both necessary for LDAP queries. It is presumed that your .mc file contains a setting for the confLDAP_DEFAULT_SPEC option with these settings. If this is not the case, the map definitions should be changed as described above.

The following possibilities exist as a result of an LDAP lookup on an address:

| mailHost is | mailRoutingAddress is | Results in |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| ----- | ----- | ----- |
| set to a set "local" host | | mail delivered to mailRoutingAddress |
| set to a not set "local" host | | delivered to original address |
| set to a set remote host | | mailRoutingAddress relayed to mailHost |
| set to a not set remote host | | original address relayed to mailHost |
| not set | set | mail delivered to mailRoutingAddress |
| not set | not set | delivered to original address *OR* bounced as unknown user |

The term "local" host above means the host specified is in class {w}. Note that the last case depends on whether the third argument is given to the FEATURE() command. The default is to deliver the message to the original address.

The LDAP entries should be set up with an objectClass of inetLocalMailRecipient and the address be listed in a mailLocalAddress attribute. If present, there must be only one mailHost attribute and it must contain a fully qualified host name as its value. Similarly, if present, there must be only one mailRoutingAddress attribute and it must

contain an RFC 822 compliant address. Some example LDAP records (in ldif format):

```
dn: uid=tom, o=example.com, c=US
objectClass: inetLocalMailRecipient
mailLocalAddress: tom@example.com
mailRoutingAddress: thomas@mailhost.example.com
```

This would deliver mail for tom@example.com to thomas@mailhost.example.com.

```
dn: uid=dick, o=example.com, c=US
objectClass: inetLocalMailRecipient
mailLocalAddress: dick@example.com
mailHost: eng.example.com
```

This would relay mail for dick@example.com to the same address but redirect the mail to MX records listed for the host eng.example.com.

```
dn: uid=harry, o=example.com, c=US
objectClass: inetLocalMailRecipient
mailLocalAddress: harry@example.com
mailHost: mktmail.example.com
mailRoutingAddress: harry@mkt.example.com
```

This would relay mail for harry@example.com to the MX records listed for the host mktmail.example.com using the new address harry@mkt.example.com when talking to that host.

```
dn: uid=virtual.example.com, o=example.com, c=US
objectClass: inetLocalMailRecipient
mailLocalAddress: @virtual.example.com
mailHost: server.example.com
mailRoutingAddress: virtual@example.com
```

This would send all mail destined for any username @virtual.example.com to the machine server.example.com's MX servers and deliver to the address virtual@example.com on that relay machine.

```
+-----+
| ANTI-SPAM CONFIGURATION CONTROL |
+-----+
```

The primary anti-spam features available in sendmail are:

- * Relaying is denied by default.
- * Better checking on sender information.
- * Access database.
- * Header checks.

Relaying (transmission of messages from a site outside your host (class {w}) to another site except yours) is denied by default. Note that this changed in sendmail 8.9; previous versions allowed relaying by default. If you really want to revert to the old behaviour, you will need to use FEATURE(`promiscuous_relay'). You can allow certain domains to relay through your server by adding their domain name or IP address to class {R} using RELAY_DOMAIN() and RELAY_DOMAIN_FILE() or via the access database

(described below). The file consists (like any other file based class) of entries listed on separate lines, e.g.,

```
sendmail.org
128.32
1:2:3:4:5:6:7
host.mydomain.com
```

If you use

```
FEATURE(`relay_entire_domain')
```

then any host in any of your local domains (that is, class {m}) will be relayed (that is, you will accept mail either to or from any host in your domain).

You can also allow relaying based on the MX records of the host portion of an incoming recipient address by using

```
FEATURE(`relay_based_on_MX')
```

For example, if your server receives a recipient of user@domain.com and domain.com lists your server in its MX records, the mail will be accepted for relay to domain.com. Note that this will stop spammers from using your host to relay spam but it will not stop outsiders from using your server as a relay for their site (that is, they set up an MX record pointing to your mail server, and you will relay mail addressed to them without any prior arrangement). Along the same lines,

```
FEATURE(`relay_local_from')
```

will allow relaying if the sender specifies a return path (i.e. MAIL FROM: <user@domain>) domain which is a local domain. This a dangerous feature as it will allow spammers to spam using your mail server by simply specifying a return address of user@your.domain.com. It should not be used unless absolutely necessary. A slightly better solution is

```
FEATURE(`relay_mail_from')
```

which allows relaying if the mail sender is listed as RELAY in the access map. If an optional argument `domain' is given, the domain portion of the mail sender is also checked to allowing relaying. This option only works together with the tag From: for the LHS of the access map entries (see below: Finer control...).

If source routing is used in the recipient address (i.e. RCPT TO: <user%site.com@othersite.com>), sendmail will check user@site.com for relaying if othersite.com is an allowed relay host in either class {R}, class {m} if FEATURE(`relay_entire_domain') is used, or the access database if FEATURE(`access_db') is used. To prevent the address from being stripped down, use:

```
FEATURE(`loose_relay_check')
```

If you think you need to use this feature, you probably do not. This

should only be used for sites which have no control over the addresses that they provide a gateway for. Use this FEATURE with caution as it can allow spammers to relay through your server if not setup properly.

NOTICE: It is possible to relay mail through a system which the anti-relay rules do not prevent: the case of a system that does use FEATURE(`nouucp', `nospecial') (system A) and relays local messages to a mail hub (e.g., via LOCAL_RELAY or USER_RELAY) (system B). If system B doesn't use FEATURE(`nouucp') at all, addresses of the form <example.net!user@local.host> would be relayed to <user@example.net>. System A doesn't recognize `!' as an address separator and therefore forwards it to the mail hub which in turns relays it because it came from a trusted local host. So if a mailserver allows UUCP (bang-format) addresses, all systems from which it allows relaying should do the same or reject those addresses.

As of 8.9, sendmail will refuse mail if the MAIL FROM: parameter has an unresolvable domain (i.e., one that DNS, your local name service, or special case rules in ruleset 3 cannot locate). If you want to continue to accept such domains, e.g., because you are inside a firewall that has only a limited view of the Internet host name space (note that you will not be able to return mail to them unless you have some "smart host" forwarder), use

```
FEATURE(`accept_unresolvable_domains')
```

sendmail will also refuse mail if the MAIL FROM: parameter is not fully qualified (i.e., contains a domain as well as a user). If you want to continue to accept such senders, use

```
FEATURE(`accept_unqualified_senders')
```

Setting the DaemonPortOptions modifier 'u' overrides the default behavior, i.e., unqualified addresses are accepted even without this FEATURE. If this FEATURE is not used, the DaemonPortOptions modifier 'f' can be used to enforce fully qualified addresses.

An ``access'' database can be created to accept or reject mail from selected domains. For example, you may choose to reject all mail originating from known spammers. To enable such a database, use

```
FEATURE(`access_db')
```

The FEATURE macro can accept a second parameter giving the key file definition for the database; for example

```
FEATURE(`access_db', `hash /etc/mail/access')
```

Remember, since /etc/mail/access is a database, after creating the text file as described below, you must use makemap to create the database map. For example:

```
makemap hash /etc/mail/access < /etc/mail/access
```

The table itself uses e-mail addresses, domain names, and network numbers as keys. For example,

```
spammer@aol.com      REJECT
cyberspammer.com     REJECT
192.168.212          REJECT
```

would refuse mail from spammer@aol.com, any user from cyberspammer.com (or any host within the cyberspammer.com domain), and any host on the 192.168.212.* network.

The value part of the map can contain:

```
OK          Accept mail even if other rules in the
            running ruleset would reject it, for example,
            if the domain name is unresolvable.
RELAY       Accept mail addressed to the indicated domain or
            received from the indicated domain for relaying
            through your SMTP server. RELAY also serves as
            an implicit OK for the other checks.
REJECT      Reject the sender or recipient with a general
            purpose message.
DISCARD     Discard the message completely using the
            $#discard mailer. If it is used in check_compat,
            it affects only the designated recipient, not
            the whole message as it does in all other cases.
            This should only be used if really necessary.
### any text where ### is an RFC 821 compliant error code and
            "any text" is a message to return for the command.
            The string should be quoted to avoid surprises,
            e.g., sendmail may remove spaces otherwise.
ERROR:### any text
            as above, but useful to mark error messages as such.
ERROR:D.S.N:### any text
            where D.S.N is an RFC 1893 compliant error code
            and the rest as above.
```

For example:

```
cyberspammer.com     ERROR:"550 We don't accept mail from spammers"
okay.cyberspammer.com OK
sendmail.org         RELAY
128.32               RELAY
1:2:3:4:5:6:7       RELAY
[127.0.0.3]         OK
[1:2:3:4:5:6:7:8]   OK
```

would accept mail from okay.cyberspammer.com, but would reject mail from all other hosts at cyberspammer.com with the indicated message. It would allow relaying mail from and to any hosts in the sendmail.org domain, and allow relaying from the 128.32.*.* network and the IPv6 1:2:3:4:5:6:7:* network. The latter two entries are for checks against \${client_name} if the IP address doesn't resolve to a hostname (or is considered as "may be forged").

Warning: if you change the RFC 821 compliant error code from the default value of 550, then you should probably also change the RFC 1893 compliant error code to match it. For example, if you use

```
user@example.com450 mailbox full
```

the error returned would be "450 4.0.0 mailbox full" which is wrong. Use "450 4.2.2 mailbox full" or "ERROR:4.2.2:450 mailbox full" instead.

Note, UUCP users may need to add hostname.UUCP to the access database or class {R}. If you also use:

```
FEATURE(`relay_hosts_only')
```

then the above example will allow relaying for sendmail.org, but not hosts within the sendmail.org domain. Note that this will also require hosts listed in class {R} to be fully qualified host names.

You can also use the access database to block sender addresses based on the username portion of the address. For example:

```
FREE.STEALTH.MAILER@ ERROR:550 Spam not accepted
```

Note that you must include the @ after the username to signify that this database entry is for checking only the username portion of the sender address.

If you use:

```
FEATURE(`blacklist_recipients')
```

then you can add entries to the map for local users, hosts in your domains, or addresses in your domain which should not receive mail:

```
badlocaluser@          ERROR:550 Mailbox disabled for this username
host.mydomain.com      ERROR:550 That host does not accept mail
user@otherhost.mydomain.com  ERROR:550 Mailbox disabled for this
recipient
```

This would prevent a recipient of badlocaluser@mydomain.com, any user at host.mydomain.com, and the single address user@otherhost.mydomain.com from receiving mail. Please note: a local username must be now tagged with an @ (this is consistent with the check of the sender address, and hence it is possible to distinguish between hostnames and usernames). Enabling this feature will keep you from sending mails to all addresses that have an error message or REJECT as value part in the access map. Taking the example from above:

```
spammer@aol.com        REJECT
cyberspammer.comREJECT
```

Mail can't be sent to spammer@aol.com or anyone at cyberspammer.com.

There is also a ``Realtime Blackhole List'' run by the MAPS project at <http://maps.vix.com/>. This is a database maintained in DNS of spammers. To use this database, use

```
FEATURE(`dnsbl')
```

This will cause sendmail to reject mail from any site in the

Realtime Blackhole List database. You can specify an alternative RBL domain to check by specifying an argument to the FEATURE. The default error message is

```
Mail from ${client_addr} refused by blackhole site DOMAIN
```

where DOMAIN is the first argument of the feature. A second argument can be used to specify a different text. This FEATURE can be included several times to query different DNS based rejection lists, e.g., the dial-up user list (see <http://maps.vix.com/dul/>).

The features described above make use of the check_relay, check_mail, and check_rcpt rulesets. If you wish to include your own checks, you can put your checks in the rulesets Local_check_relay, Local_check_mail, and Local_check_rcpt. For example if you wanted to block senders with all numeric usernames (i.e. 2312343@bigisp.com), you would use Local_check_mail and the new regex map:

```
LOCAL_CONFIG
Kallnumbers regex -a@MATCH ^[0-9]+$

LOCAL_RULESETS
SLocal_check_mail
# check address against various regex checks
R$*                $: $>Parse0 $>3 $1
R$+ < @ bigisp.com. > $*    $: $(allnumbers $1 $)
R@MATCH            $#error $: 553 Header Error
```

These rules are called with the original arguments of the corresponding check_* ruleset. If the local ruleset returns \$#OK, no further checking is done by the features described above and the mail is accepted. If the local ruleset resolves to a mailer (such as \$#error or \$#discard), the appropriate action is taken. Otherwise, the results of the local rewriting are ignored.

Finer control by using tags for the LHS of the access map

Read this section only if the options listed so far are not sufficient for your purposes. There is now the option to tag entries in the access map according to their type. Three tags are available:

```
Connect:    connection information (${client_addr}, ${client_name})
From:       envelope sender
To:         envelope recipient
```

If the required item is looked up in a map, it will be tried first with the corresponding tag in front, then (as fallback to enable backward compatibility) without any tag. For example,

```
From:spammer@some.dom REJECT
To:friend.domainRELAY
Connect:friend.domain OK
Connect:from.domain RELAY
From:good@another.dom OK
From:another.domREJECT
```

This would deny mails from spammer@some.dom but you could still

send mail to that address even if `FEATURE(`blacklist_recipients')` is enabled. Your system will allow relaying to `friend.domain`, but not from it (unless enabled by other means). Connections from that domain will be allowed even if it ends up in one of the DNS based rejection lists. Relaying is enabled from `from.domain` but not to it (since relaying is based on the connection information for outgoing relaying, the tag `Connect:` must be used; for incoming relaying, which is based on the recipient address, `To:` must be used). The last two entries allow mails from `good@another.dom` but reject mail from all other addresses with `another.dom` as domain part.

Delay all checks

By using `FEATURE(`delay_checks')` the rulesets `check_mail` and `check_relay` will not be called when a client connects or issues a `MAIL` command, respectively. Instead, those rulesets will be called by the `check_rcpt` ruleset; they will be skipped if a sender has been authenticated using a "trusted" mechanism, i.e., one that is defined via `TRUST_AUTH_MECH()`. If `check_mail` returns an error then the `RCPT TO` command will be rejected with that error. If it returns some other result starting with `$#` then `check_relay` will be skipped. If the sender address (or a part of it) is listed in the access map and it has a RHS of `OK` or `RELAY`, then `check_relay` will be skipped. This has an interesting side effect: if your domain is `my.domain` and you have

```
my.domain RELAY
```

in the access map, then all e-mail with a sender address of `<user@my.domain>` gets through, even if `check_relay` would reject it (e.g., based on the hostname or IP address). This allows spammers to get around DNS based blacklist by faking the sender address. To avoid this problem you have to use tagged entries:

```
To:my.domain RELAY
Connect:my.domain RELAY
```

if you need those entries at all (class `{R}` may take care of them).

`FEATURE(`delay_checks')` can take an optional argument:

```
FEATURE(`delay_checks', `friend')
    enables spamfriend test
FEATURE(`delay_checks', `hater')
    enables spamhater test
```

If such an argument is given, the recipient will be looked up in the access map (using the tag `To:`). If the argument is ``friend'`, then the other rulesets will be skipped if the recipient address is found and has RHS `spamfriend`. If the argument is ``hater'`, then the other rulesets will be applied if the recipient address is found and has RHS `spamhater`.

This allows for simple exceptions from the tests, e.g., by activating the `spamfriend` option and having

```
To:abuse@ SPAMFRIEND
```

in the access map, mail to abuse@localdomain will get through. It is also possible to specify a full address or an address with +detail:

```
To:abuse@abuse.my.domain SPAMFRIEND
To:me+abuse@ SPAMFRIEND
```

Header Checks

You can also reject mail on the basis of the contents of headers. This is done by adding a ruleset call to the 'H' header definition command in sendmail.cf. For example, this can be used to check the validity of a Message-ID: header:

```
LOCAL_RULESETS
HMessage-Id: $>CheckMessageId

SCheckMessageId
R< $+ @ $+ >          $@ OK
R$*                   $#error $: 553 Header Error
```

The alternative format:

```
HSubject: $>+CheckSubject
```

that is, \$>+ instead of \$>, gives the full Subject: header including comments to the ruleset (comments in parentheses () are stripped by default).

A default ruleset for headers which don't have a specific ruleset defined for them can be given by:

```
H*: $>CheckHdr
```

Notice: All rules act on tokens as explained in doc/op/op.{me,ps,txt}. That may cause problems with simple header checks due to the tokenization. It might be simpler to use a regex map and apply it to \${currHeader}.

After all of the headers are read, the check_eoh ruleset will be called for any final header-related checks. The ruleset is called with the number of headers and the size of all of the headers in bytes separated by \$|. One example usage is to reject messages which do not have a Message-ID: header. However, the Message-ID: header is *NOT* a required header and is not a guaranteed spam indicator. This ruleset is an example and should probably not be used in production.

```
LOCAL_CONFIG
Kstorage macro

LOCAL_RULESETS
HMessage-Id: $>CheckMessageId

SCheckMessageId
# Record the presence of the header
R$*                   $: $(storage {MessageIdCheck} $@ OK $) $1
R< $+ @ $+ >          $@ OK
```

```

R$*          $#error $: 553 Header Error

Scheck_eoh
# Check the macro
R$*          $: < ${MessageIdCheck} >
# Clear the macro for the next message
R$*          $: $(storage {MessageIdCheck} $) $1
# Has a Message-Id: header
R< $+ >      @$ OK
# Allow missing Message-Id: from local mail
R$*          $: < ${client_name} >
R< >         @$ OK
R< $=w >     @$ OK
# Otherwise, reject the mail
R$*          $#error $: 553 Header Error

```

```

+-----+
| STARTTLS |
+-----+

```

In this text, cert will be used as an abbreviation for X.509 certificate, DN is the distinguished name of a cert, and CA is a certification authority.

Macros related to STARTTLS are:

```

${cert_issuer} holds the DN of the CA (the cert issuer).
${cert_subject} holds the DN of the cert (called the cert subject).
${tls_version} the TLS/SSL version used for the connection, e.g., TLSv1,
    SSLv3, SSLv2.
${cipher} the cipher used for the connection, e.g., EDH-DSS-DES-CBC3-SHA,
    EDH-RSA-DES-CBC-SHA, DES-CBC-MD5, DES-CBC3-SHA.
${cipher_bits} the keylength (in bits) of the symmetric encryption algorithm
    used for the connection.
${verify} holds the result of the verification of the presented cert. Possible
    values are:
    OK    verification succeeded.
    NO    no cert presented.
    FAIL  cert presented but could not be verified, e.g., the signing
        CA is missing.
    NONE  STARTTLS has not been performed.
    TEMP  temporary error occurred.
    PROTOCOL some protocol error occurred.
    SOFTWARE STARTTLS handshake failed.
${server_name} the name of the server of the current outgoing SMTP
    connection.
${server_addr} the address of the server of the current outgoing SMTP
    connection.

```

Relaying

SMTP STARTTLS can allow relaying for senders who have successfully authenticated themselves. This is done in the ruleset RelayAuth. If the verification of the cert failed (`${verify} != OK`), relaying is subject to the usual rules. Otherwise the DN of the issuer is looked up in the access map using the tag CERTISSUER. If the resulting value is RELAY, relaying is allowed. If it is SUBJECT, the DN of the cert subject is looked up next in the access map. using the tag CERTSUBJECT. If the value is RELAY, relaying

is allowed.

To make things a bit more flexible (or complicated), the values for `${cert_issuer}` and `${cert_subject}` can be optionally modified by regular expressions defined in the m4 variables `_CERT_REGEX_ISSUER_` and `_CERT_REGEX_SUBJECT_`, respectively. To avoid problems with those macros in rulesets and map lookups, they are modified as follows: each non-printable character and the characters '<', '>', '(', ')', '"', '+' are replaced by their HEX value with a leading '+'. For example:

```
/C=US/ST=California/O=endmail.org/OU=private/CN=Darth Mail (Cert)/Email=
darth+cert@endmail.org
```

is encoded as:

```
/C=US/ST=California/O=endmail.org/OU=private/CN=
Darth+20Mail+20+28Cert+29/Email=darth+2Bcert@endmail.org
```

(line breaks have been inserted for readability).

Of course it is also possible to write a simple rulesets that allows relaying for everyone who can present a cert that can be verified, e.g.,

```
LOCAL_RULESETS
SLocal_check_rcpt
R$*  $:  ${verify}
ROK  $#  OK
```

Allowing Connections

The rulesets `tls_server` and `tls_client` are used to decide whether an SMTP connection is accepted (or should continue).

`tls_server` is called when sendmail acts as client after a `STARTTLS` command (should) have been issued. The parameter is the value of `${verify}`.

`tls_client` is called when sendmail acts as server, after a `STARTTLS` command has been issued, and from `check_mail`. The parameter is the value of `${verify}` and `STARTTLS` or `MAIL`, respectively.

Both rulesets behave the same. If no access map is in use, the connection will be accepted unless `${verify}` is `SOFTWARE`, in which case the connection is always aborted. Otherwise, `${client_name}` (`${server_name}`) is looked up in the access map using the tag `TLS_Srv` (or `TLS_Clt`), which is done with the ruleset `LookUpDomain`. If no entry is found, `${client_addr}` (`${server_addr}`) is looked up in the access map (same tag, ruleset `LookUpAddr`). If this doesn't result in an entry either, just the tag is looked up in the access map (included the trailing `:`). The result of the lookups is then used to call the ruleset `tls_connection`, which checks the requirement specified by the RHS in the access map against the actual parameters of the current TLS connection, esp. `${verify}` and `${cipher_bits}`. Legal RHSs in the access map are:

```
VERIFY          verification must have succeeded
VERIFY:bits     verification must have succeeded and ${cipher_bits} must
                be greater than or equal bits.
ENCR:bits      ${cipher_bits} must be greater than or equal bits.
```

The RHS can optionally be prefixed by TEMP+ or PERM+ to select a temporary or permanent error. The default is a temporary error code (403 4.7.0) unless the macro TLS_PERM_ERR is set during generation of the .cf file.

If a certain level of encryption is required, then it might also be possible that this level is provided by the security layer from a SASL algorithm, e.g., DIGEST-MD5.

Example: e-mail send to secure.example.com should only use an encrypted connection. e-mail received from hosts within the laptop.example.com domain should only be accepted if they have been authenticated.

```
TLS_Srv:secure.example.com      ENCR:112
TLS_Clt:laptop.example.com      PERM+VERIFY:112
```

Notice: requiring that e-mail is sent to a server only encrypted, e.g., via

```
TLS_Srv:secure.domain ENCR:112
```

doesn't necessarily mean that e-mail sent to that domain is encrypted. If the domain has multiple MX servers, e.g.,

```
secure.domain.  IN MX 10  mail.secure.domain.
secure.domain.  IN MX 50  mail.other.domain.
```

then mail to user@secure.domain may go unencrypted to mail.other.domain.

Received: Header

The Received: header reveals whether STARTTLS has been used. It contains an extra line:

(using \${tls_version} with cipher \${cipher} (\${cipher_bits} bits) verified \${verify})

```
+-----+
| SMTP AUTHENTICATION |
+-----+
```

The macros \${auth_authen}, \${auth_author}, and \${auth_type} can be used in anti-relay rulesets to allow relaying for those users that authenticated themselves. A very simple example is:

```
SLocal_check_rcpt
R$*      $: ${auth_type}
R$+      $# OK
```

which checks whether a user has successfully authenticated using any available mechanism. Depending on the setup of the CYRUS SASL library, more sophisticated rulesets might be required, e.g.,

```
SLocal_check_rcpt
R$*      $: ${auth_type} $| ${auth_authen}
RDIGEST-MD5 $| $+@$=w $# OK
```

to allow relaying for users that authenticated using DIGEST-MD5 and have an identity in the local domains.

The ruleset `Strust_auth` is used to determine whether a given `AUTH=` parameter (that is passed to this ruleset) should be trusted. This ruleset may make use of the other `#{auth_*}` macros. Only if the ruleset resolves to the error mailer, the `AUTH=` parameter is not trusted. A user supplied ruleset `Local_trust_auth` can be written to modify the default behavior, which only trust the `AUTH=` parameter if it is identical to the authenticated user.

Per default, relaying is allowed for any user who authenticated via a "trusted" mechanism, i.e., one that is defined via `TRUST_AUTH_MECH('list of mechanisms')`

For example:

```
TRUST_AUTH_MECH('KERBEROS_V4 DIGEST-MD5')
```

If the selected mechanism provides a security layer the number of bits used for the key of the symmetric cipher is stored in the macro `#{auth_ssf}`.

```
+-----+
| ADDING NEW MAILERS OR RULESETS |
+-----+
```

Sometimes you may need to add entirely new mailers or rulesets. They should be introduced with the constructs `MAILER_DEFINITIONS` and `LOCAL_RULESETS` respectively. For example:

```
MAILER_DEFINITIONS
Mymailer, ...
...
```

```
LOCAL_RULESETS
Smyruleset
...
```

```
#if _FFR_MILTER
```

```
+-----+
| ADDING NEW MAIL FILTERS |
+-----+
```

Sendmail supports mail filters to filter incoming SMTP messages according to the "Sendmail Mail Filter API" documentation. These filters can be configured in your `mc` file using the two commands:

```
MAIL_FILTER('name', `equates`)
INPUT_MAIL_FILTER('name', `equates`)
```

The first command, `MAIL_FILTER()`, simply defines a filter with the given name and equates. For example:

```
MAIL_FILTER('archive', `S=local:/var/run/archivesock, F=R`)
```

This creates the equivalent `sendmail.cf` entry:

```
Xarchive, S=local:/var/run/archivesock, F=R
```

The INPUT_MAIL_FILTER() command performs the same actions as MAIL_FILTER but also populates the m4 variable `confINPUT_MAIL_FILTERS' with the name of the filter such that the filter will actually be called by sendmail.

For example, the two commands:

```
INPUT_MAIL_FILTER(`archive', `S=local:/var/run/archivesock, F=R')
INPUT_MAIL_FILTER(`spamcheck', `S=inet:2525@localhost, F=T')
```

are equivalent to the three commands:

```
MAIL_FILTER(`archive', `S=local:/var/run/archivesock, F=R')
MAIL_FILTER(`spamcheck', `S=inet:2525@localhost, F=T')
define(`confINPUT_MAIL_FILTERS', `archive, spamcheck')
```

In general, INPUT_MAIL_FILTER() should be used unless you need to define more filters than you want to use for `confINPUT_MAIL_FILTERS'.

Note that setting `confINPUT_MAIL_FILTERS' after any INPUT_MAIL_FILTER() commands will clear the list created by the prior INPUT_MAIL_FILTER() commands.

```
#endif /* _FFR_MILTER */
```

```
+-----+
| NON-SMTP BASED CONFIGURATIONS |
+-----+
```

These configuration files are designed primarily for use by SMTP-based sites. They may not be well tuned for UUCP-only or UUCP-primarily nodes (the latter is defined as a small local net connected to the rest of the world via UUCP). However, there is one hook to handle some special cases.

You can define a ``smart host'' that understands a richer address syntax using:

```
define(`SMART_HOST', `mailer:hostname')
```

In this case, the ``mailer:'' defaults to "relay". Any messages that can't be handled using the usual UUCP rules are passed to this host.

If you are on a local SMTP-based net that connects to the outside world via UUCP, you can use LOCAL_NET_CONFIG to add appropriate rules. For example:

```
define(`SMART_HOST', `uucp-new:uunet')
LOCAL_NET_CONFIG
R$* < @ $* .$.m. > $* $#smtp $@ $.$.m. $: $1 < @ $.$.m. > $3
```

This will cause all names that end in your domain name (\$.m) via SMTP; anything else will be sent via uucp-new (smart UUCP) to uunet. If you have FEATURE(`nocanonify'), you may need to omit the dots after the \$.m. If you are running a local DNS inside your domain which is not otherwise connected to the outside world, you probably want to

use:

```
define(`SMART_HOST', `smtp:fire.wall.com')
LOCAL_NET_CONFIG
R$* < @ $* . > $*      $#smtp $@ $2. $: $1 < @ $2. > $3
```

That is, send directly only to things you found in your DNS lookup; anything else goes through SMART_HOST.

You may need to turn off the anti-spam rules in order to accept UUCP mail with FEATURE(`promiscuous_relay') and FEATURE(`accept_unresolvable_domains').

```
+-----+
| WHO AM I? |
+-----+
```

Normally, the \$j macro is automatically defined to be your fully qualified domain name (FQDN). Sendmail does this by getting your host name using gethostname and then calling gethostbyname on the result. For example, in some environments gethostname returns only the root of the host name (such as "foo"); gethostbyname is supposed to return the FQDN ("foo.bar.com"). In some (fairly rare) cases, gethostbyname may fail to return the FQDN. In this case you MUST define confDOMAIN_NAME to be your fully qualified domain name. This is usually done using:

```
Dmbar.com
define(`confDOMAIN_NAME', `$w.$m')dnl
```

```
+-----+
| ACCEPTING MAIL FOR MULTIPLE NAMES |
+-----+
```

If your host is known by several different names, you need to augment class {w}. This is a list of names by which your host is known, and anything sent to an address using a host name in this list will be treated as local mail. You can do this in two ways: either create the file /etc/mail/local-host-names containing a list of your aliases (one per line), and use ``FEATURE(`use_cw_file')'' in the .mc file, or add ``LOCAL_DOMAIN(`alias.host.name')''. Be sure you use the fully-qualified name of the host, rather than a short name.

If you want to have different address in different domains, take a look at the virtusertable feature, which is also explained at <http://www.sendmail.org/virtual-hosting.html>

```
+-----+
| USING MAILERTABLES |
+-----+
```

To use FEATURE(`mailertable'), you will have to create an external database containing the routing information for various domains. For example, a mailertable file in text format might be:

```
.my.domain      xnet:%1.my.domain
uuhost1.my.domain  uucp-new:uuhost1
.bitnet         smtp:relay.bit.net
```

This should normally be stored in /etc/mail/mailertable. The actual database version of the mailertable is built using:

```
makemap hash /etc/mail/mailertable < /etc/mail/mailertable
```

The semantics are simple. Any LHS entry that does not begin with a dot matches the full host name indicated. LHS entries beginning with a dot match anything ending with that domain name (including the leading dot) -- that is, they can be thought of as having a leading "." regular expression pattern for a non-empty sequence of characters. Matching is done in order of most-to-least qualified -- for example, even though ".my.domain" is listed first in the above example, an entry of "uuhost1.my.domain" will match the second entry since it is more explicit. Note: e-mail to "user@my.domain" does not match any entry in the above table. You need to have something like:

```
my.domain      esmtp:host.my.domain
```

The RHS should always be a "mailer:host" pair. The mailer is the configuration name of a mailer (that is, an {M} line in the sendmail.cf file). The "host" will be the hostname passed to that mailer. In domain-based matches (that is, those with leading dots) the "%1" may be used to interpolate the wildcarded part of the host name. For example, the first line above sends everything addressed to "anything.my.domain" to that same host name, but using the (presumably experimental) xnet mailer.

In some cases you may want to temporarily turn off MX records, particularly on gateways. For example, you may want to MX everything in a domain to one machine that then forwards it directly. To do this, you might use the DNS configuration:

```
*.domain. IN MX 0 relay.machine
```

and on relay.machine use the mailertable:

```
.domain      smtp:[gateway.domain]
```

The [square brackets] turn off MX records for this host only. If you didn't do this, the mailertable would use the MX record again, which would give you an MX loop.

```
+-----+
| USING USERDB TO MAP FULL NAMES |
+-----+
```

The user database was not originally intended for mapping full names to login names (e.g., Eric.Allman => eric), but some people are using it that way. (it is recommended that you set up aliases for this purpose instead -- since you can specify multiple alias files, this

is fairly easy.) The intent was to locate the default maildrop at a site, but allow you to override this by sending to a specific host.

If you decide to set up the user database in this fashion, it is imperative that you not use FEATURE('stickyhost') -- otherwise, e-mail sent to Full.Name@local.host.name will be rejected.

To build the internal form of the user database, use:

```
makemap btree /etc/mail/userdb < /etc/mail/userdb.txt
```

As a general rule, it is an extremely bad idea to using full names as e-mail addresses, since they are not in any sense unique. For example, the UNIX software-development community has at least two well-known Peter Deutsches, and at one time Bell Labs had two Stephen R. Bournes with offices along the same hallway. Which one will be forced to suffer the indignity of being Stephen_R_Bourne_2? The less famous of the two, or the one that was hired later?

Finger should handle full names (and be fuzzy). Mail should use handles, and not be fuzzy.

```
+-----+
| MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL FEATURES |
+-----+
```

Plussed users

Sometimes it is convenient to merge configuration on a centralized mail machine, for example, to forward all root mail to a mail server. In this case it might be useful to be able to treat the root addresses as a class of addresses with subtle differences. You can do this using plussed users. For example, a client might include the alias:

```
root: root+client1@server
```

On the server, this will match an alias for "root+client1". If that is not found, the alias "root+*" will be tried, then "root".

```
+-----+
| SECURITY NOTES |
+-----+
```

A lot of sendmail security comes down to you. Sendmail 8 is much more careful about checking for security problems than previous versions, but there are some things that you still need to watch for. In particular:

- * Make sure the aliases file isn't writable except by trusted system personnel. This includes both the text and database version.
- * Make sure that other files that sendmail reads, such as the

mailertable, are only writable by trusted system personnel.

- * The queue directory should not be world writable PARTICULARLY if your system allows "file giveaways" (that is, if a non-root user can chown any file they own to any other user).
- * If your system allows file giveaways, DO NOT create a publically writable directory for forward files. This will allow anyone to steal anyone else's e-mail. Instead, create a script that copies the .forward file from users' home directories once a night (if you want the non-NFS-mounted forward directory).
- * If your system allows file giveaways, you'll find that sendmail is much less trusting of :include: files -- in particular, you'll have to have /SENDMAIL/ANY/SHELL/ in /etc/shells before they will be trusted (that is, before files and programs listed in them will be honored).

In general, file giveaways are a mistake -- if you can turn them off, do so.

```
+-----+
| TWEAKING CONFIGURATION OPTIONS |
+-----+
```

There are a large number of configuration options that don't normally need to be changed. However, if you feel you need to tweak them, you can define the following M4 variables. This list is shown in four columns: the name you define, the default value for that definition, the option or macro that is affected (either Ox for an option or Dx for a macro), and a brief description. Greater detail of the semantics can be found in the Installation and Operations Guide.

Some options are likely to be deprecated in future versions -- that is, the option is only included to provide back-compatibility. These are marked with "*".

Remember that these options are M4 variables, and hence may need to be quoted. In particular, arguments with commas will usually have to be ``double quoted, like this phrase' to avoid having the comma confuse things. This is common for alias file definitions and for the read timeout.

| M4 Variable Name | Configuration | Description & [Default] |
|------------------|---------------|---|
| confMAILER_NAME | \$n macro | [MAILER-DAEMON] The sender name used for internally generated outgoing messages. |
| confDOMAIN_NAME | \$j macro | If defined, sets \$j. This should only be done if your system cannot determine your local domain name, and then it should be set to \$w.Foo.COM, where Foo.COM is your domain name. |
| confCF_VERSION | \$Z macro | If defined, this is appended to the configuration version name. |

confFROM_HEADER **From:** [\$?x\$x <\$g>\$| \$g\$.] The format of an internally generated From: address.

confRECEIVED_HEADER **Received:**
 [\$?sfrom \$s \$. \$?_ (\$?s\$ | from \$. \$ _)
 \$. \$? { auth_type } (authenticated)
 \$. by \$j (\$v / \$Z) \$?r with \$r\$. id \$i \$?u
 for \$u; \$ | ;
 \$. \$b]

 The format of the Received: header in messages passed through this host. It is unwise to try to change this.

confCW_FILE **Fw class** [/etc/mail/local-host-names] Name of file used to get the local additions to class {w} (local host names).

confCT_FILE **Ft class** [/etc/mail/trusted-users] Name of file used to get the local additions to class {t} (trusted users).

confCR_FILE **FR class** [/etc/mail/relay-domains] Name of file used to get the local additions to class {R} (hosts allowed to relay).

confTRUSTED_USERS **Ct class** [no default] Names of users to add to the list of trusted users. This list always includes root, uucp, and daemon. See also FEATURE(`use_ct_file').

confTRUSTED_USER **TrustedUser** [no default] Trusted user for file ownership and starting the daemon. Not to be confused with confTRUSTED_USERS (see above).

confSMTP_MAILER - [esmtp] The mailer name used when SMTP connectivity is required. One of "smtp", "smtp8", "esmtp", or "dsmtmp".

confUUCP_MAILER - [uucp-old] The mailer to be used by default for bang-format recipient addresses. See also discussion of class {U}, class {Y}, and class {Z} in the MAILER(`uucp') section.

confLOCAL_MAILER - [local] The mailer name used when local connectivity is required. Almost always "local".

confRELAY_MAILER - [relay] The default mailer name used for relaying any mail (e.g., to a BITNET_RELAY, a SMART_HOST, or whatever). This can reasonably be "uucp-new" if you are on a UUCP-connected site.

confSEVEN_BIT_INPUT **SevenBitInput** [False] Force input to seven bits?

confEIGHT_BIT_HANDLING **EightBitMode** [pass8] 8-bit data handling

confALIAS_WAIT **AliasWait** [10m] Time to wait for alias file rebuild until you get bored and decide that the apparently pending rebuild failed.

confMIN_FREE_BLOCKS **MinFreeBlocks** [100] Minimum number of free blocks on queue filesystem to accept SMTP mail. (Prior to 8.7 this was minfree/maxsize, where minfree was the number of free

```

        blocks and maxsize was the maximum
        message size. Use confMAX_MESSAGE_SIZE
        for the second value now.)
confMAX_MESSAGE_SIZE MaxMessageSize [infinite] The maximum size of messages
        that will be accepted (in bytes).
confBLANK_SUB BlankSub [.] Blank (space) substitution
        character.
confCON_EXPENSIVE HoldExpensive [False] Avoid connecting immediately
        to mailers marked expensive.
confCHECKPOINT_INTERVAL CheckpointInterval
        [10] Checkpoint queue files every N
        recipients.
confDELIVERY_MODE DeliveryMode [background] Default delivery mode.
confAUTO_REBUILD AutoRebuildAliases
        [False] Automatically rebuild alias
        file if needed.
        There is a potential for a denial
        of service attack if this is set.
        This option is deprecated and will
        be removed from a future version.
confERROR_MODE ErrorMode [print] Error message mode.
confERROR_MESSAGE ErrorHeader [undefined] Error message header/file.
confSAVE_FROM_LINES SaveFromLine Save extra leading From_ lines.
confTEMP_FILE_MODE TempFileMode [0600] Temporary file mode.
confMATCH_GECOS MatchGECOS [False] Match GECOS field.
confMAX_HOP MaxHopCount [25] Maximum hop count.
confIGNORE_DOTS* IgnoreDots [False; always False in -bs or -bd
        mode] Ignore dot as terminator for
        incoming messages?
confBIND_OPTS ResolverOptions [undefined] Default options for DNS
        resolver.
confMIME_FORMAT_ERRORS* SendMimeErrors[True] Send error messages as MIME-
        encapsulated messages per RFC 1344.
confFORWARD_PATH ForwardPath [$z/.forward.$w:$z/.forward]
        The colon-separated list of places to
        search for .forward files. N.B.: see
        the Security Notes section.
confMCI_CACHE_SIZE ConnectionCacheSize
        [2] Size of open connection cache.
confMCI_CACHE_TIMEOUT ConnectionCacheTimeout
        [5m] Open connection cache timeout.
confHOST_STATUS_DIRECTORY HostStatusDirectory
        [undefined] If set, host status is kept
        on disk between sendmail runs in the
        named directory tree. This need not be
        a full pathname, in which case it is
        interpreted relative to the queue
        directory.
confSINGLE_THREAD_DELIVERY SingleThreadDelivery
        [False] If this option and the
        HostStatusDirectory option are both
        set, single thread deliveries to other
        hosts. That is, don't allow any two
        sendmails on this host to connect
        simultaneously to any other single
        host. This can slow down delivery in
        some cases, in particular since a

```

cached but otherwise idle connection to a host will prevent other sendmails from connecting to the other host.

confUSE_ERRORS_TO* UseErrorsTo [False] Use the Errors-To: header to deliver error messages. This should not be necessary because of general acceptance of the envelope/header distinction.

confLOG_LEVEL LogLevel [9] Log level.

confME_TOO MeToo [True] Include sender in group expansions. This option is deprecated and will be removed from a future version.

confCHECK_ALIASES CheckAliases [False] Check RHS of aliases when running newaliases. Since this does DNS lookups on every address, it can slow down the alias rebuild process considerably on large alias files.

confOLD_STYLE_HEADERS* OldStyleHeaders [True] Assume that headers without special chars are old style.

confCLIENT_OPTIONS ClientPortOptions [none] Options for outgoing SMTP client connections.

confPRIVACY_FLAGS PrivacyOptions [authwarnings] Privacy flags.

confCOPY_ERRORS_TO PostmasterCopy [undefined] Address for additional copies of all error messages.

confQUEUE_FACTOR QueueFactor [600000] Slope of queue-only function.

confDONT_PRUNE_ROUTES DontPruneRoutes [False] Don't prune down route-addr syntax addresses to the minimum possible.

confSAFE_QUEUE* SuperSafe [True] Commit all messages to disk before forking.

confTO_INITIAL Timeout.initial [5m] The timeout waiting for a response on the initial connect.

confTO_CONNECT Timeout.connect [0] The timeout waiting for an initial connect() to complete. This can only shorten connection timeouts; the kernel silently enforces an absolute maximum (which varies depending on the system).

confTO_ICONNECT Timeout.iconnect [undefined] Like Timeout.connect, but applies only to the very first attempt to connect to a host in a message. This allows a single very fast pass followed by more careful delivery attempts in the future.

confTO_HELO Timeout.helo [5m] The timeout waiting for a response to a HELO or EHLO command.

confTO_MAIL Timeout.mail [10m] The timeout waiting for a response to the MAIL command.

confTO_RCPT Timeout.rcpt [1h] The timeout waiting for a response to the RCPT command.

confTO_DATAINIT Timeout.datainit [5m] The timeout waiting for a 354 response from the DATA command.

confTO_DATABLOCK Timeout.datablock [1h] The timeout waiting for a block

during DATA phase.

confTO_DATAFINAL Timeout.datafinal
 [1h] The timeout waiting for a response to the final "." that terminates a message.

confTO_RSET Timeout.rset [5m] The timeout waiting for a response to the RSET command.

confTO_QUIT Timeout.quit [2m] The timeout waiting for a response to the QUIT command.

confTO_MISC Timeout.misc [2m] The timeout waiting for a response to other SMTP commands.

confTO_COMMAND Timeout.command [1h] In server SMTP, the timeout waiting for a command to be issued.

confTO_IDENT Timeout.ident [5s] The timeout waiting for a response to an IDENT query.

confTO_FILEOPEN Timeout.fileopen
 [60s] The timeout waiting for a file (e.g., :include: file) to be opened.

confTO_CONTROL Timeout.control
 [2m] The timeout for a complete control socket transaction to complete.

confTO_QUEUERETURN Timeout.queuereturn
 [5d] The timeout before a message is returned as undeliverable.

confTO_QUEUERETURN_NORMAL Timeout.queuereturn.normal
 [undefined] As above, for normal priority messages.

confTO_QUEUERETURN_URGENT Timeout.queuereturn.urgent
 [undefined] As above, for urgent priority messages.

confTO_QUEUERETURN_NONURGENT Timeout.queuereturn.non-urgent
 [undefined] As above, for non-urgent (low) priority messages.

confTO_QUEUEWARN Timeout.queuewarn
 [4h] The timeout before a warning message is sent to the sender telling them that the message has been deferred.

confTO_QUEUEWARN_NORMAL Timeout.queuewarn.normal
 [undefined] As above, for normal priority messages.

confTO_QUEUEWARN_URGENT Timeout.queuewarn.urgent
 [undefined] As above, for urgent priority messages.

confTO_QUEUEWARN_NONURGENT Timeout.queuewarn.non-urgent
 [undefined] As above, for non-urgent (low) priority messages.

confTO_HOSTSTATUS Timeout.hoststatus
 [30m] How long information about host statuses will be maintained before it is considered stale and the host should be retried. This applies both within a single queue run and to persistent

information (see below).

confTO_RESOLVER_RETRANS Timeout.resolver.retrans
[varies] Sets the resolver's retransmission time interval (in seconds). Sets both Timeout.resolver.retrans.first and Timeout.resolver.retrans.normal.

confTO_RESOLVER_RETRANS_FIRST Timeout.resolver.retrans.first
[varies] Sets the resolver's retransmission time interval (in seconds) for the first attempt to deliver a message.

confTO_RESOLVER_RETRANS_NORMAL Timeout.resolver.retrans.normal
[varies] Sets the resolver's retransmission time interval (in seconds) for all resolver lookups except the first delivery attempt.

confTO_RESOLVER_RETRY Timeout.resolver.retry
[varies] Sets the number of times to retransmit a resolver query. Sets both Timeout.resolver.retry.first and Timeout.resolver.retry.normal.

confTO_RESOLVER_RETRY_FIRST Timeout.resolver.retry.first
[varies] Sets the number of times to retransmit a resolver query for the first attempt to deliver a message.

confTO_RESOLVER_RETRY_NORMAL Timeout.resolver.retry.normal
[varies] Sets the number of times to retransmit a resolver query for all resolver lookups except the first delivery attempt.

confTIME_ZONE TimeZoneSpec [USE_SYSTEM] Time zone info -- can be USE_SYSTEM to use the system's idea, USE_TZ to use the user's TZ envariable, or something else to force that value.

confDEF_USER_ID DefaultUser [1:1] Default user id.

confUSERDB_SPEC UserDatabaseSpec
[undefined] User database specification.

confFALLBACK_MX FallbackMXhost [undefined] Fallback MX host.

confTRY_NULL_MX_LIST TryNullMXList [False] If this host is the best MX for a host and other arrangements haven't been made, try connecting to the host directly; normally this would be a config error.

confQUEUE_LA QueueLA [varies] Load average at which queue-only function kicks in. Default values is (8 * numproc) where numproc is the number of processors online (if that can be determined).

confREFUSE_LA RefuseLA [varies] Load average at which incoming SMTP connections are refused. Default values is (12 * numproc) where numproc is the

number of processors online (if that can be determined).

confMAX_ALIAS_RECURSION MaxAliasRecursion
[10] Maximum depth of alias recursion.

confMAX_DAEMON_CHILDREN MaxDaemonChildren
[undefined] The maximum number of children the daemon will permit. After this number, connections will be rejected. If not set or <= 0, there is no limit.

confMAX_HEADERS_LENGTH MaxHeadersLength
[32768] Maximum length of the sum of all headers.

confMAX_MIME_HEADER_LENGTH MaxMimeHeaderLength
[undefined] Maximum length of certain MIME header field values.

confCONNECTION_RATE_THROTTLE ConnectionRateThrottle
[undefined] The maximum number of connections permitted per second. After this many connections are accepted, further connections will be delayed. If not set or <= 0, there is no limit.

confWORK_RECIPIENT_FACTOR RecipientFactor [30000] Cost of each recipient.

confSEPARATE_PROC ForkEachJob [False] Run all deliveries in a separate process.

confWORK_CLASS_FACTOR ClassFactor [1800] Priority multiplier for class.

confWORK_TIME_FACTOR RetryFactor [90000] Cost of each delivery attempt.

confQUEUE_SORT_ORDER QueueSortOrder [Priority] Queue sort algorithm: Priority, Host, Filename, or Time.

confMIN_QUEUE_AGE MinQueueAge [0] The minimum amount of time a job must sit in the queue between queue runs. This allows you to set the queue run interval low for better responsiveness without trying all jobs in each run.

confDEF_CHAR_SET DefaultCharSet [unknown-8bit] When converting unlabeled 8 bit input to MIME, the character set to use by default.

confSERVICE_SWITCH_FILE ServiceSwitchFile
[/etc/mail/service.switch] The file to use for the service switch on systems that do not have a system-defined switch.

confHOSTS_FILE HostsFile [etc/hosts] The file to use when doing "file" type access of hosts names.

confDIAL_DELAY DialDelay [0s] If a connection fails, wait this long and try again. Zero means "don't retry". This is to allow "dial on demand" connections to have enough time to complete a connection.

confNO_RCPT_ACTION NoRecipientAction
[none] What to do if there are no legal recipient fields (To:, Cc: or Bcc:) in the message. Legal values can be "none" to just leave the

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nonconforming message as is, "add-to"
to add a To: header with all the
known recipients (which may expose
blind recipients), "add-apparently-to"
to do the same but use Apparently-To:
instead of To:, "add-bcc" to add an
empty Bcc: header, or
"add-to-undisclosed" to add the header
`To: undisclosed-recipients:;'.

confSAFE_FILE_ENV      SafeFileEnvironment
                        [undefined] If set, sendmail will do a
                        chroot() into this directory before
                        writing files.

confCOLON_OK_IN_ADDR  ColonOkInAddr    [True unless Configuration Level > 6]
                        If set, colons are treated as a regular
                        character in addresses. If not set,
                        they are treated as the introducer to
                        the RFC 822 "group" syntax. Colons are
                        handled properly in route-addr. This
                        option defaults on for V5 and lower
                        configuration files.

confMAX_QUEUE_RUN_SIZE MaxQueueRunSize [0] If set, limit the maximum size
of
                        any given queue run to this number of
                        entries. Essentially, this will stop
                        reading each queue directory after this
                        number of entries are reached; it does
                        not pick the highest priority jobs,
                        so this should be as large as your
                        system can tolerate. If not set, there
                        is no limit.

confDONT_EXPAND_CNAMES DontExpandCnames
                        [False] If set, ${ ... $} lookups that
                        do DNS based lookups do not expand
                        CNAME records. This currently violates
                        the published standards, but the IETF
                        seems to be moving toward legalizing
                        this. For example, if "FTP.Foo.ORG"
                        is a CNAME for "Cruft.Foo.ORG", then
                        with this option set a lookup of
                        "FTP" will return "FTP.Foo.ORG"; if
                        clear it returns "Cruft.FOO.ORG". N.B.
                        you may not see any effect until your
                        downstream neighbors stop doing CNAME
                        lookups as well.

confFROM_LINE          UnixFromLine     [From $g $d] The From_ line used
                        when sending to files or programs.

confSINGLE_LINE_FROM_HEADER SingleLineFromHeader
                        [False] From: lines that have
                        embedded newlines are unwrapped
                        onto one line.

confALLOW_BOGUS_HELO  AllowBogusHELO  [False] Allow HELO SMTP command that
                        does not include a host name.

confMUST_QUOTE_CHARS  MustQuoteChars   [.] Characters to be quoted in a full
                        name phrase (@,;:\()[ ] are automatic).

confOPERATORS          OperatorChars    [.:%#!^/[ ]+] Address operator
                        characters.

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confSMTP_LOGIN_MSG SmtpGreetingMessage
 [\$j Sendmail \$v/\$Z; \$b]
 The initial (spontaneous) SMTP
 greeting message. The word "ESMTP"
 will be inserted between the first and
 second words to convince other
 sendmails to try to speak ESMTP.

confDONT_INIT_GROUPS DontInitGroups [False] If set, the initgroups(3)
 routine will never be invoked. You
 might want to do this if you are
 running NIS and you have a large group
 map, since this call does a sequential
 scan of the map; in a large site this
 can cause your ypserv to run
 essentially full time. If you set
 this, agents run on behalf of users
 will only have their primary
 (/etc/passwd) group permissions.

confUNSAFE_GROUP_WRITES UnsafeGroupWrites
 [False] If set, group-writable
 :include: and .forward files are
 considered "unsafe", that is, programs
 and files cannot be directly referenced
 from such files. World-writable files
 are always considered unsafe.

confCONNECT_ONLY_TO ConnectOnlyTo [undefined] override connection
 address (for testing).

confCONTROL_SOCKET_NAME ControlSocketName
 [undefined] Control socket for daemon
 management.

confDOUBLE_BOUNCE_ADDRESS DoubleBounceAddress
 [postmaster] If an error occurs when
 sending an error message, send that
 "double bounce" error message to this
 address.

confDEAD_LETTER_DROP DeadLetterDrop [undefined] Filename to save bounce
 messages which could not be returned
 to the user or sent to postmaster.
 If not set, the queue file will
 be renamed.

confRRT_IMPLIES_DSN RrtImpliesDsn [False] Return-Receipt-To: header
 implies DSN request.

confRUN_AS_USER RunAsUser [undefined] If set, become this user
 when reading and delivering mail.
 Causes all file reads (e.g., .forward
 and :include: files) to be done as
 this user. Also, all programs will
 be run as this user, and all output
 files will be written as this user.
 Intended for use only on firewalls
 where users do not have accounts.

confMAX_RCPTS_PER_MESSAGE MaxRecipientsPerMessage
 [infinite] If set, allow no more than
 the specified number of recipients in
 an SMTP envelope. Further recipients
 receive a 452 error code (i.e., they
 are deferred for the next delivery

attempt).

confDONT_PROBE_INTERFACES DontProbeInterfaces
 [False] If set, sendmail will not insert the names and addresses of any local interfaces into class {w} (list of known "equivalent" addresses). If you set this, you must also include some support for these addresses (e.g., in a mailertable entry) -- otherwise, mail to addresses in this list will bounce with a configuration error.

confPID_FILE PidFile [system dependent] Location of pid file.

confPROCESS_TITLE_PREFIX ProcessTitlePrefix
 [undefined] Prefix string for the process title shown on 'ps' listings.

confDONT_BLAME_SENDMAIL DontBlameSendmail
 [safe] Override sendmail's file safety checks. This will definitely compromise system security and should not be used unless absolutely necessary.

confREJECT_MSG - [550 Access denied] The message given if the access database contains REJECT in the value portion.

confDF_BUFFER_SIZE DataFileBufferSize
 [4096] The maximum size of a memory-buffered data (df) file before a disk-based file is used.

confXF_BUFFER_SIZE XScriptFileBufferSize
 [4096] The maximum size of a memory-buffered transcript (xf) file before a disk-based file is used.

confAUTH_MECHANISMS AuthMechanisms [GSSAPI KERBEROS_V4 DIGEST-MD5 CRAM-MD5] List of authentication mechanisms for AUTH (separated by spaces). The advertised list of authentication mechanisms will be the intersection of this list and the list of available mechanisms as determined by the CYRUS SASL library.

confDEF_AUTH_INFO DefaultAuthInfo [undefined] Name of file that contains authentication information for outgoing connections. This file must contain the user id, the authorization id, the password (plain text), and the realm to use, each on a separate line and must be readable by root (or the trusted user) only. If no realm is specified, \$j is used.

NOTE: Currently, AuthMechanisms is used to determine the list of mechanisms to use on an outgoing connection. Sites which require a

different list of mechanisms for incoming connections and outgoing connections will have the ability to do this in 8.11 by specifying a list of mechanisms as the fifth line of the DefaultAuthInfo file. If no mechanisms are given in the file, AuthMechanisms is used. The code for doing so is included as in the sendmail source code but disabled. It can be enabled by recompiling sendmail with:

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-D_FFR_DEFAULTAUTHINFO_MECHS
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confAUTH_OPTIONS AuthOptions [undefined] If this options is 'A'
then the AUTH= parameter for the
MAIL FROM command is only issued
when authentication succeeded.
confLDAP_DEFAULT_SPEC LDAPDefaultSpec [undefined] Default map
specification for LDAP maps. The
value should only contain LDAP
specific settings such as "-h host
-p port -d bindDN", etc. The
settings will be used for all LDAP
maps unless they are specified in
the individual map specification
('K' command).
confCACERT_PATH CACERTPath [undefined] Path to directory
with certs of CAs.
confCACERT CACERTFile [undefined] File containing one CA
cert.
confSERVER_CERT ServerCertFile [undefined] File containing the
cert of the server, i.e., this cert
is used when sendmail acts as
server.
confSERVER_KEY ServerKeyFile [undefined] File containing the
private key belonging to the server
cert.
confCLIENT_CERT ClientCertFile [undefined] File containing the
cert of the client, i.e., this cert
is used when sendmail acts as
client.
confCLIENT_KEY ClientKeyFile [undefined] File containing the
private key belonging to the client
cert.
confDH_PARAMETERS DHParameters [undefined] File containing the
DH parameters.
confRAND_FILE RandFile [undefined] File containing random
data (use prefix file:) or the
name of the UNIX socket if EGD is
used (use prefix egd:). STARTTLS
requires this option if the compile
flag HASURANDOM is not set (see
sendmail/README).
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See also the description of OSTYPE for some parameters that can be tweaked (generally pathnames to mailers).

DaemonPortOptions are a special case since multiple daemons can be defined. This can be done via

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DAEMON_OPTIONS(`field1=value1,field2=value2,...')
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If DAEMON_OPTIONS is not used, then the default is

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DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Port=smtp, Name=MTA')
DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Port=587, Name=MSA, M=E')
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If you use one DAEMON_OPTIONS macro, it will alter the parameters of the first of these. The second will still be defaulted; it represents a "Message Submission Agent" (MSA) as defined by RFC 2476 (see below). To turn off the default definition for the MSA, use FEATURE(`no_default_msa') (see also FEATURES). If you use additional DAEMON_OPTIONS macros, they will add additional daemons.

Example 1: To change the port for the SMTP listener, while still using the MSA default, use

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DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Port=925, Name=MTA')
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Example 2: To change the port for the MSA daemon, while still using the default SMTP port, use

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FEATURE(`no_default_msa')
DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Name=MTA')
DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Port=987, Name=MSA, M=E')
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Note that if the first of those DAEMON_OPTIONS lines were omitted, then there would be no listener on the standard SMTP port.

Example 3: To listen on both IPv4 and IPv6 interfaces, use

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DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Name=MTA-v4, Family=inet')
DAEMON_OPTIONS(`Name=MTA-v6, Family=inet6')
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A "Message Submission Agent" still uses all of the same rulesets for processing the message (and therefore still allows message rejection via the check_* rulesets). In accordance with the RFC, the MSA will ensure that all domains in the envelope are fully qualified if the message is relayed to another MTA. It will also enforce the normal address syntax rules and log error messages. Additionally, by using the M=a modifier you can require authentication before messages are accepted by the MSA. Finally, the M=E modifier shown above disables ETRN as required by RFC 2476.

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| HIERARCHY |
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Within this directory are several subdirectories, to wit:

m4 General support routines. These are typically very important and should not be changed without very careful consideration.

cf The configuration files themselves. They have

".mc" suffixes, and must be run through m4 to become complete. The resulting output should have a ".cf" suffix.

- ostype Definitions describing a particular operating system type. These should always be referenced using the OSTYPE macro in the .mc file. Examples include "bsd4.3", "bsd4.4", "sunos3.5", and "sunos4.1".
- domain Definitions describing a particular domain, referenced using the DOMAIN macro in the .mc file. These are site dependent; for example, "CS.Berkeley.EDU.m4" describes hosts in the CS.Berkeley.EDU subdomain.
- mailer Descriptions of mailers. These are referenced using the MAILER macro in the .mc file.
- sh Shell files used when building the .cf file from the .mc file in the cf subdirectory.
- feature These hold special orthogonal features that you might want to include. They should be referenced using the FEATURE macro.
- hack Local hacks. These can be referenced using the HACK macro. They shouldn't be of more than voyeuristic interest outside the .Berkeley.EDU domain, but who knows?
- siteconfig Site configuration -- e.g., tables of locally connected UUCP sites.

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| ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS |
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The following sections detail usage of certain internal parts of the sendmail.cf file. Read them carefully if you are trying to modify the current model. If you find the above descriptions adequate, these should be {boring, confusing, tedious, ridiculous} (pick one or more).

RULESETS (* means built in to sendmail)

- 0 * Parsing
- 1 * Sender rewriting
- 2 * Recipient rewriting
- 3 * Canonicalization
- 4 * Post cleanup
- 5 * Local address rewrite (after aliasing)
- 1x mailer rules (sender qualification)
- 2x mailer rules (recipient qualification)
- 3x mailer rules (sender header qualification)
- 4x mailer rules (recipient header qualification)
- 5x mailer subroutines (general)
- 6x mailer subroutines (general)
- 7x mailer subroutines (general)

8x reserved
90 Mailertable host stripping
96 Bottom half of Ruleset 3 (ruleset 6 in old sendmail)
97 Hook for recursive ruleset 0 call (ruleset 7 in old sendmail)
98 Local part of ruleset 0 (ruleset 8 in old sendmail)
99 Guaranteed null (for debugging)

MAILERS

0 local, prog local and program mailers
1 [e]smtp, relay SMTP channel
2 uucp-* UNIX-to-UNIX Copy Program
3 netnews Network News delivery
4 fax Sam Leffler's HylaFAX software
5 mail11 DECnet mailer

MACROS

A
B Bitnet Relay
C DECnet Relay
D The local domain -- usually not needed
E reserved for X.400 Relay
F FAX Relay
G
H mail Hub (for mail clusters)
I
J
K
L Luser Relay
M Masquerade (who you claim to be)
N
O
P
Q
R Relay (for unqualified names)
S Smart Host
T
U my UUCP name (if you have a UUCP connection)
V UUCP Relay (class {V} hosts)
W UUCP Relay (class {W} hosts)
X UUCP Relay (class {X} hosts)
Y UUCP Relay (all other hosts)
Z Version number

CLASSES

A
B domains that are candidates for bestmx lookup
C
D
E addresses that should not seem to come from \$M
F hosts this system forward for
G domains that should be looked up in genericstable

H
I
J
K
L addresses that should not be forwarded to \$R
M domains that should be mapped to \$M
N host/domains that should not be mapped to \$M
O operators that indicate network operations (cannot be in local names)
P top level pseudo-domains: BITNET, DECNET, FAX, UUCP, etc.
Q
R domains this system is willing to relay (pass anti-spam filters)
S
T
U locally connected UUCP hosts
V UUCP hosts connected to relay \$V
W UUCP hosts connected to relay \$W
X UUCP hosts connected to relay \$X
Y locally connected smart UUCP hosts
Z locally connected domain-ized UUCP hosts
. the class containing only a dot
[the class containing only a left bracket

M4 DIVERSIONS

1 Local host detection and resolution
2 Local Ruleset 3 additions
3 Local Ruleset 0 additions
4 UUCP Ruleset 0 additions
5 locally interpreted names (overrides \$R)
6 local configuration (at top of file)
7 mailer definitions
8 DNS based blacklists
9 special local rulesets (1 and 2)

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