

# Documentation for **purge\_files script** Version 1.0 October 24, 2002, revised Nov 14, 2002

## 1.0 General Information

This script does some basic housecleaning of selected directories used by the shefdecoders. The script is: `purge_files` (bash script)

This script is intended to be a cron job run by user `oper`.

## 2.0 Configuration Information

### purge\_files script

One `apps_defaults` token is used by this script.

`adb_dir`                      path to main directory for rfc archive applications and files

### oper's cron

All three scripts should be executed by `oper` as part of its cron on the archive system. In this way these scripts can be executed on a routine basis.

Example cron entry is shown below.

```
01 1,7,13,19 * * * /rfc_arc/scripts/purgefiles/purge_files
```

## 3.0 **purge\_files Script**

This script does housecleaning of 4 directories. The reason for this housecleaning is to prevent filling up of disk space. The four directories general path are `.../raw/err`, `.../raw/logs`, `.../pro/err` and `.../pro/logs`. The two `err` directories are where each shefdecoder write error output files to depending if it's the `shef_decoder_raw` or `shef_decoder_pro` application. Similarly the `logs` directory is where the daily log file for each shefdecoder writes

to respectively. The script uses the Linux system find and rm commands. It is recommended the script be run at least once per day.

This script is located in the /rfc\_scripts/purgefiles directory.

## **4.0 Troubleshooting Information**

For the purge\_files script check out the logfile the script creates. This file is located in the /rfc\_arc/scripts/purgefiles/logs directory. For detailed information on the find and rm commands used in the script refer to almost any Red Hat Linux book. For specifics on find and rm command options, the user can also refer to the man pages for these command.

## **5.0 Installation Instructions**

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## **6.0 Maintenance Information**

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## **7.0 References**

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