

## NAME

perlvp - Perl Installation Verification Procedure

## SYNOPSIS

**perlvp** [-a] [-p] [-v] [-h]

## DESCRIPTION

The **perlvp** program is set up at Perl source code build time to test the Perl version it was built under. It can be used after running:

```
make install
```

(or your platform's equivalent procedure) to verify that **perl** and its libraries have been installed correctly. A correct installation is verified by output that looks like:

```
ok 1
ok 2
```

etc.

## OPTIONS

**-h** help

Prints out a brief help message.

**-a** run all tests

Normally tests for optional features are skipped. With **-a** all tests are executed.

**-p** print preface

Gives a description of each test prior to performing it.

**-v** verbose

Gives more detailed information about each test, after it has been performed. Note that any failed tests ought to print out some extra information whether or not **-v** is thrown.

## DIAGNOSTICS

\* print "# Perl binary '\$perlpath' does not appear executable.\n";

Likely to occur for a perl binary that was not properly installed. Correct by conducting a proper installation.

\* print "# Perl version '\$]' installed, expected \$ivp\_VERSION.\n";

Likely to occur for a perl that was not properly installed. Correct by conducting a proper installation.

\* print "# Perl \@INC directory '\$\_' does not appear to exist.\n";

Likely to occur for a perl library tree that was not properly installed. Correct by conducting a proper installation.

\* print "# Needed module '\$\_' does not appear to be properly installed.\n";

One of the two modules that is used by perlvp was not present in the installation. This is a serious error since it adversely affects perlvp's ability to function. You may be able to correct this by performing a proper perl installation.

\* print "# Required module '\$\_' does not appear to be properly installed.\n";

An attempt to eval "require \$module" failed, even though the list of extensions indicated that it should succeed. Correct by conducting a proper installation.

```
* print "# Unnecessary module `bLuRfle' appears to be installed.\n";
```

This test not coming out ok could indicate that you have in fact installed a bLuRfle.pm module or that the `eval " require \"$module_name.pm\" ; "` test may give misleading results with your installation of perl. If yours is the latter case then please let the author know.

```
* print "# file",+($#missing == 0) ? " : 's'," missing from installation:\n";
```

One or more files turned up missing according to a run of `ExtUtils::Installed -> validate()` over your installation. Correct by conducting a proper installation.

```
* print "# Perl header `$_' does not appear to be properly installed.\n";
```

Correct by running **h2ph** over your system's C header files. If necessary, edit the resulting \*.ph files to eliminate perl syntax errors.

For further information on how to conduct a proper installation consult the INSTALL file that comes with the perl source and the README file for your platform.

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