

**NAME**

aclocal - manual page for aclocal 1.14.1

**SYNOPSIS**

**aclocal** [*OPTION*]...

**DESCRIPTION**

Generate 'aclocal.m4' by scanning 'configure.ac' or 'configure.in'

**OPTIONS**

- automake-acdir=DIR**  
directory holding automake-provided m4 files
- system-acdir=DIR**  
directory holding third-party system-wide files
- diff[=COMMAND]**  
run COMMAND [diff -u] on M4 files that would be changed (implies **--install** and **--dry-run**)
- dry-run**  
pretend to, but do not actually update any file
- force** always update output file
- help** print this help, then exit
- I DIR** add directory to search list for .m4 files
- install**  
copy third-party files to the first **-I** directory
- output=FILE**  
put output in FILE (default aclocal.m4)
- print-ac-dir**  
print name of directory holding system-wide third-party m4 files, then exit
- verbose**  
don't be silent
- version**  
print version number, then exit
- W, --warnings=CATEGORY**  
report the warnings falling in CATEGORY

**Warning categories include:**

- syntax dubious syntactic constructs (default)
- unsupported  
unknown macros (default)
- all all the warnings (default)
- no-CATEGORY  
turn off warnings in CATEGORY
- none turn off all the warnings
- error treat warnings as errors

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### **SEE ALSO**

The full documentation for **aclocal** is maintained as a Texinfo manual. If the **info** and **aclocal** programs are properly installed at your site, the command

**info aclocal**

should give you access to the complete manual.