

**NAME**

`mysql_waitpid` - kill process and wait for its termination

**SYNOPSIS**

`mysql_waitpid` [*options*] *pid* *wait\_time*

**DESCRIPTION**

`mysql_waitpid` signals a process to terminate and waits for the process to exit. It uses the `kill()` system call and Unix signals, so it runs on Unix and Unix-like systems.

Invoke `mysql_waitpid` like this:

```
shell> mysql_waitpid [options] pid wait_time
```

`mysql_waitpid` sends signal 0 to the process identified by *pid* and waits up to *wait\_time* seconds for the process to terminate. *pid* and *wait\_time* must be positive integers.

If process termination occurs within the wait time or the process does not exist, `mysql_waitpid` returns 0. Otherwise, it returns 1.

If the `kill()` system call cannot handle signal 0, `mysql_waitpid()` uses signal 1 instead.

`mysql_waitpid` supports the following options:

- **--help, -?, -I**  
Display a help message and exit.
- **--verbose, -v**  
Verbose mode. Display a warning if signal 0 could not be used and signal 1 is used instead.
- **--version, -V**  
Display version information and exit.

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