

**NAME**

`drand48_r`, `erand48_r`, `lrand48_r`, `nrand48_r`, `mrand48_r`, `jrand48_r`, `srand48_r`, `seed48_r`, `lcong48_r` - generate uniformly distributed pseudo-random numbers reentrantly

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <stdlib.h>

int drand48_r(struct drand48_data *buffer, double *result);

int erand48_r(unsigned short xsubi[3],
             struct drand48_data *buffer, double *result);

int lrand48_r(struct drand48_data *buffer, long int *result);

int nrand48_r(unsigned short int xsubi[3],
             struct drand48_data *buffer, long int *result);

int mrand48_r(struct drand48_data *buffer, long int *result);

int jrand48_r(unsigned short int xsubi[3],
             struct drand48_data *buffer, long int *result);

int srand48_r(long int seedval, struct drand48_data *buffer);

int seed48_r(unsigned short int seed16v[3],
            struct drand48_data *buffer);

int lcong48_r(unsigned short int param[7],
            struct drand48_data *buffer);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see [feature\\_test\\_macros\(7\)](#)):

```
All functions shown above: /* Glibc since 2.19: */ _DEFAULT_SOURCE || /* Glibc versions <= 2.19: */
_SVID_SOURCE || _BSD_SOURCE
```

**DESCRIPTION**

These functions are the reentrant analogs of the functions described in [drand48\(3\)](#). Instead of modifying the global random generator state, they use the supplied data *buffer*.

Before the first use, this struct must be initialized, for example, by filling it with zeros, or by calling one of the functions `srand48_r()`, `seed48_r()`, or `lcong48_r()`.

**RETURN VALUE**

The return value is 0.

**ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see [attributes\(7\)](#).

Interface	Attribute	Value
<code>drand48_r()</code> , <code>erand48_r()</code> , <code>lrand48_r()</code> , <code>nrand48_r()</code> , <code>mrand48_r()</code> , <code>jrand48_r()</code> , <code>srand48_r()</code> , <code>seed48_r()</code> , <code>lcong48_r()</code>	Thread safety	MT-Safe race:buffer

**CONFORMING TO**

These functions are GNU extensions and are not portable.

**SEE ALSO**

[drand48\(3\)](#), [rand\(3\)](#), [random\(3\)](#)

**COLOPHON**

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