

**NAME**

SSL\_CTX\_set\_mode, SSL\_set\_mode, SSL\_CTX\_get\_mode, SSL\_get\_mode - manipulate SSL engine mode

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <openssl/ssl.h>

long SSL_CTX_set_mode(SSL_CTX *ctx, long mode);
long SSL_set_mode(SSL *ssl, long mode);

long SSL_CTX_get_mode(SSL_CTX *ctx);
long SSL_get_mode(SSL *ssl);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

*SSL\_CTX\_set\_mode()* adds the mode set via bitmask in **mode** to **ctx**. Options already set before are not cleared.

*SSL\_set\_mode()* adds the mode set via bitmask in **mode** to **ssl**. Options already set before are not cleared.

*SSL\_CTX\_get\_mode()* returns the mode set for **ctx**.

*SSL\_get\_mode()* returns the mode set for **ssl**.

**NOTES**

The following mode changes are available:

**SSL\_MODE\_ENABLE\_PARTIAL\_WRITE**

Allow *SSL\_write(..., n)* to return *r* with  $0 < r < n$  (i.e. report success when just a single record has been written). When not set (the default), *SSL\_write()* will only report success once the complete chunk was written. Once *SSL\_write()* returns with *r*, *r* bytes have been successfully written and the next call to *SSL\_write()* must only send the *n-r* bytes left, imitating the behaviour of *write()*.

**SSL\_MODE\_ACCEPT\_MOVING\_WRITE\_BUFFER**

Make it possible to retry *SSL\_write()* with changed buffer location (the buffer contents must stay the same). This is not the default to avoid the misconception that non-blocking *SSL\_write()* behaves like non-blocking *write()*.

**SSL\_MODE\_AUTO\_RETRY**

Never bother the application with retries if the transport is blocking. If a renegotiation take place during normal operation, a *SSL\_read(3)* or *SSL\_write(3)* would return with -1 and indicate the need to retry with *SSL\_ERROR\_WANT\_READ*. In a non-blocking environment applications must be prepared to handle incomplete read/write operations. In a blocking environment, applications are not always prepared to deal with read/write operations returning without success report. The flag *SSL\_MODE\_AUTO\_RETRY* will cause read/write operations to only return after the handshake and successful completion.

**SSL\_MODE\_RELEASE\_BUFFERS**

When we no longer need a read buffer or a write buffer for a given SSL, then release the memory we were using to hold it. Using this flag can save around 34k per idle SSL connection. This flag has no effect on SSL v2 connections, or on DTLS connections.

**SSL\_MODE\_SEND\_FALLBACK\_SCSV**

Send *TLS\_FALLBACK\_SCSV* in the ClientHello. To be set only by applications that reconnect with a downgraded protocol version; see draft-ietf-tls-downgrade-scsv-00 for details.

DO NOT ENABLE THIS if your application attempts a normal handshake. Only use this in explicit fallback retries, following the guidance in draft-ietf-tls-downgrade-scsv-00.

**SSL\_MODE\_ASYNC**

Enable asynchronous processing. TLS I/O operations may indicate a retry with *SSL\_ERROR\_WANT\_ASYNC* with this mode set if an asynchronous capable engine is used to perform cryptographic operations. See *SSL\_get\_error(3)*.

**RETURN VALUES**

*SSL\_CTX\_set\_mode()* and *SSL\_set\_mode()* return the new mode bitmask after adding **mode**.

*SSL\_CTX\_get\_mode()* and *SSL\_get\_mode()* return the current bitmask.

**SEE ALSO**

*ssl(3)*, *SSL\_read(3)*, *SSL\_write(3)*, *SSL\_get\_error(3)*

**HISTORY**

SSL\_MODE\_ASYNC was first added to OpenSSL 1.1.0.

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