

**NAME**

hwclock - variables that affect the behaviour of the hwclock boot script

**DESCRIPTION**

The */etc/default/rcS* file contains variable settings in POSIX format:

VAR=VAL

Only one assignment is allowed per line. Comments (starting with '#') are also allowed.

**OPTIONS**

The following variables can be set.

**BADYEAR**

This is used to specify that the hardware clock is incapable of storing years outside the range of 1994-1999. Set to **yes** if the hardware is broken or **no** if working correctly.

**HWCLOCKACCESS**

If the hardware clock is not accessible, set to **no**, in which case hwclock will not be run. Otherwise, set to **yes**.

**HWCLOCKPARS**

Additional options for hwclock. Unset by default. For example, this may be use to specify the machine hardware clock type for Alphas.

**HCTOSYS\_DEVICE**

The hardware clock device you want to use. Defaults to **rtc0**. It should probably match the CONFIG\_RTC\_HCTOSYS\_DEVICE kernel config option.

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**SEE ALSO**

[hwclock\(8\)](#), [rcS\(5\)](#).