

**NAME**

**kpseaccess** – determine whether a file can be accessed

**SYNOPSIS**

**kpseaccess** [*-rwx*] *file*

**DESCRIPTION**

Exit successfully if *file* can be accessed with the specified mode. The mode is one or more letters of *rwx*, where *r* is for readable, *w* is for writable, and *x* is for executable.

The difference between **kpseaccess** and **test** is that the latter looks at the permission bits, while the former checks using the **access(2)** system call. This makes a difference when file systems have been mounted read-only.

**OPTIONS**

**kpseaccess** accepts the following additional options:

**--help** Print help message and exit.

**--version**  
Print version information and exit.

**SEE ALSO**

**access(2)**