

BIBTOOL Quick Reference Card

for BIBTOOL version 2.67 — see also <http://www.gerd.neugebauer.de/software/TeX/BibTool/>
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Command line options

- **rsc_command**
Perform resource command as if given in a file.
- A type**
Determine key disambiguation. *type* in 0, a, A,
- d**
Check double entries.
- f key_format**
Generate keys according to *key_format*
- F**
Enable key generation with free key format.
- h**
Print short help and exit.
- i input_file**
Mark a file to be processed later.
- k**
Make keys with the short format.
- K**
Make keys with the long format.
- o output_file**
Send the output to *output_file*.
- q**
Suppress warning messages.
- r resource_file**
Read the resource file *resource_file*.
- R**
Load the default resource file now.
- s**
Sort the result.
- S**
Sort the result in reverse order.
- v**
Turn on verbose messages about the actions performed.
- x aux_file**
Extract those entries mentioned in *aux_file*.
- X regex**
Extract entries matching *regex*.

General

```
resource.search.path = {dir1:dir2...}
resource {file}
bibtex.search.path = {dir1:dir2...}
bibtex.env.name = {ENV.NAME}
env.separator = {c}
dir.file.separator = {c}
print {message}
quiet = OnOff
verbose = OnOff
```

Reading and Printing

```
input {bib_file}
output.file = {file}
parse.exit.on.error = OnOff
pass.comments = OnOff
new.entry.type {type}
print.align = n
print.align.key = n
print.align.preamble = n
print.align.comment = n
print.braces = OnOff
print.comma.at.end = OnOff
print.deleted.entries = OnOff
print.deleted.prefix = {prefix}
print.indent = n
print.line.length = n
print.newline = n
print.parentheses = OnOff
print.terminal.comma = OnOff
print.use.tab = OnOff
print.wide.equal = OnOff
suppress.initial.newline = OnOff
new.field.type {new=old}
symbol.type = type
upper, lower, cased
```

Sorting

```
sort = OnOff
sort.cased = OnOff
sort.reverse = OnOff
sort.format = {format}
sort.order {...}
sort.macros = OnOff
```

Searching (Extraction)

```
tex.define {macro[arg]=text}
extract.file {file}
select {field1...field_n "regex"}
select {type1...type_n}
select.by.string {field1...field_n "regex"}
select.by.string.ignore {chars}
select.case.sensitive = OnOff
select.fields = {field1,field2,...}
```

Field Manipulation

```
add.field {field="value"}
delete.field {field}
keep.field {field}
keep.field {field if field2="pattern"}
rename.field {old=new}
rename.field {old=new if field="pattern"}
rewrite.rule {pattern}
    delete all matching fields
rewrite.rule {pattern # replacement}
    rewrite all fields
rewrite.rule {f1...f_n # pattern # replacement}
    rewrite some fields
rewrite.case.sensitive = OnOff
rewrite.limit = {n}
```

Checks

```
check.double = OnOff
check.do.delete = OnOff
check.rule {field # pattern # message}
check.case.sensitive = OnOff
```

Strings

```
macro.file {file}
print.all.strings = OnOff
expand.macros = OnOff
```

Inheritance

```
crossref.map = OnOff
clear.crossref.map { }
crossref.limit = {n}
expand.crossref = OnOff
expand.xdata = OnOff
```

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```
apply.alias = OnOff
apply.include = OnOff
apply.modify = OnOff
key.make.alias = OnOff
```

Counting

```
count.all = OnOff
count.used = OnOff
```

Key Generation

preserve.keys = OnOff
preserve.key.case = OnOff
key.format = {format}
 special values: short, long, short.need,
 long.need, empty
key.generation = OnOff
default.key = {key}
key.base = base
 values: upper, lower, digit
key.number.separator = {s}
key.expand.macros = OnOff
fmt.name.title = {s}
fmt.title.title = {s}
fmt.name.name = {s}
fmt.inter.name = {s}
fmt.name.pre = {s}
fmt.et.al = {s}
fmt.word.separator = {s}
new.format.type = {n="spec"}

Name Formatting Specification

Use n letters. Use m name parts. Insert *pre* before, *mid* between, and *post* after the words. Translate according to the *s* parameter ('+', '-', '*').

%sn.mf[mid][pre][post]
 format first names.
%sn.mv[mid][pre][post]
 format "von" part.
%sn.ml[mid][pre][post]
 format last name.

%sn.mj[mid][pre][post]
 format "junior" part.

Format Specifications

Pseudo fields:

\$key
\$default.key
\$sortkey
\$source
\$type
@type
\$day
\$month
\$mon
\$year
\$hour
\$minute
\$second
\$user
\$hostname

Formatting Fields:

%±x.y n(field)
 format y characters of x last names.
%±x.y N(field)
 format y characters of x names.
%±x.y p(field)
 format x names according to the name format y .
%±x.y d(field)
 format at most x digits of the y^{th} number.
%±x.y D(field)
 format x digits of the y^{th} number without truncation.
%±x s(field)
 format x string characters.

%±x.y t(field)
 format x sentence words of length y .
%±x.y T(field)
 format x sentence words of length y .
 (Words ignored)
%±x.y w(field)
 format x words of length y .
%±x W(field)
 format x words of length y . (Words ignored)
%±x.y #n(field)
 test whether the number of names is between x and y .
%±x.y #N(field)
 test whether the number of names is between x and y .
%±x.y #p(field)
 test whether the number of names is between x and y .
%±x.y #s(field)
 test whether the number of characters is between x and y .
%±x.y #t(field)
 test whether the number of words is between x and y .
%±x.y #T(field)
 test whether the number of not ignored words is between x and y .
%±x.y #w(field)
 test whether the number of words is between x and y .
%±x.y #W(field)
 test whether the number of not ignored words is between x and y .

Libraries

check.y Check the value of the year.
default All default settings.
field Redefine field names.
brace Use braces as delimiters.
improve Apply improvements.
iso2tex Translate ISO 8859/1 characters.
iso_def Define ISO 8859/1 characters for formatting.
keep.bibtex Keep only the fields of standard BIB_TE_X styles.
keep.biblatex Keep only the fields of standard bib_LA_TE_X styles.
month Introduce strings for month names.
opt Remove OPT in field names.
sort fld Specify sort order for fields.
tex_def Define T_EX macros for formatting.
biblatex Define entry types and fields known to bib_LA_TE_X.