

Development: How can I convert a man page into readable format for FREESCO?

Most packages contain man pages, but since FREESCO is lacking the man system these man pages are hard to read by the average human...

I stumbled accros [man2html](#) which is a perl script that can do just as it name says.

The command to convert a man page to html is:

```
groff -man -Tascii manfile | man2html › manfile.html
```

Example for **htdigest.1** man page in apache package:

```
groff -man -Tascii htdigest.1 | man2html › /www/howto/htdigest.html
```

The result can be seen [here](#)

Since groff is **not** available on FREESCO either, I'm afraid you'll have to do this on a zipslack box.

(FYI: it **is** possible to get groff working on FREESCO, I've done it, but I remember it was a helluvajob).

Then again, most development for FREESCO is done on zipslack anyway, so no big problem.

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