



**Note:** This API call is for DOS and Win16 personality only. Use [Family API](#) for portability.

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# Int 21H, AH=4CH

## Version

2 and higher

## Brief

“EXIT” - TERMINATE WITH RETURN CODE

## Family API

[DosExit](#)

## Input

```
AH = 4Ch  
AL = return code
```

## Return

never returns

## Notes

- unless the process is its own parent (see #01378 [offset 16h] at AH=26h), all open files are closed and all memory belonging to the process is freed
- all network file locks should be removed before calling this function

## See also

AH=00h,AH=26h,AH=4Bh,AH=4Dh,INT 15/AH=12h/BH=02h,INT 20,INT 22

## Note

Text based on [Ralf Brown Interrupt List Release 61](#)

| <b>DOS API</b>       |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Process manager      | INT 20H, <b>INT 21H</b> : 00H, 25H, 26H, 31H, 34H, 35H, 4BH, 4CH, 4DH, 50H, 51H, 52H, 55H, 62H, INT 22H, INT 27H, INT 28H  |
| File manager         | INT 25H, INT 26H, <b>INT 21H</b> : 0DH, 0EH, 0FH, 10H, 11H, 12H, 13H, 14H, 15H, 16H, 17H, 19H, 1AH, 1BH, 1CH, 21H, 22H, 23H, 24H, 27H, 28H, 29H, 2EH, 2FH, 32H, 3305H, 36H, 39H, 3AH, 3BH, 3CH, 3DH, 3EH, 3FH, 40H, 41H, 42H, 4300H, 4301H, 45H, 45H, 46H, 4EH, 4FH, 54H, 56H, 5700H, 5701H, 5AH, 5BH, 5c00H, 5c01H, 60H, 67H, 68H, 6900H, 6901H, 6AH, 6CH |
| Character Device I/O | INT 29H, <b>INT 21H</b> : 01H, 02H, 03H, 04H, 05H, 06H, 07H, 08H, 09H, 0AH, 0BH, 0AH, 0CH, 5D07H, 5D08H, 5D09H, 5D0AH  |
| Signals              | INT 23H, INT 24H, <b>INT 21H</b> : 3300H, 3301H, 3302H   |
| Memory manager       | <b>INT 21H</b> : 48H, 49H, 4AH, 5800H, 5801H, 5802H, 5803H   |
| Date and Time        | <b>INT 21H</b> : 2AH, 2BH, 2CH, 2DH  |
| Misc                 | <b>INT 21H</b> : 30H, 3306H, 3700H, 3701H, 3702H, 3703H, 59H   |
| NLS                  | <b>INT 21H</b> : 3303H, 3304H, 3800H, 3801H, 6300H, 6301H, 6301H, 6500H, 6501H, 6502H, 6503H, 6504H, 6505H, 6506H, 6507H, 6520H, 6521H, 6522H, 6523H, 65A0H, 65A1H, 65A2H, 6601H, 6602H  |
| Devices              | <b>INT 21H</b> : 4400H, 4401H, 4402H, 4403H, 4404H, 4405H, 4406H, 4407H, 4408H, 4409H, 440AH, 440BH, 440CH, 440DH, 440EH, 440FH, 4410H, 4411H, 53H   |
| Network              | <b>INT 21H</b> : 5E00H, 5E01H, 5E02H, 5E03H, 5E04H, 5E05H, 5F00H, 5F01H, 5F02H, 5F03H, 5F04H, 5F05H, 5F07H, 5F08H  |

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|----------------|--|
| Video I/O      | @SetMode @SetCurSz @SetCurPos @GetCur @SetPage @ScrollUp @ScrollDn @Scroll @GetChAtr @PutChAtr @PutCh @SetPalet @SetColor @SetDot @GetDot @WrtTTY @VideoState @GetMode @GetDisplay @GetVideoState @GetEGAInfo @Cls |
| Hardware info  | @Equipment @MemSize  |
| Serial I/O     | @AuxInit @AuxSendChar @AuxRecieveChar @AuxStatus   |
| Tape I/O       | @TapeOn @TapeOff @TapeRead @TapeWrite  |
| Keyboard I/O   | @KbdStatus @CharIn @CharPeek   |
| Printer I/O    | @PrnPrint @PrnInit @PrnStatus  |
| Disk I/O       | @DskReset @DskStatus @DskRead @DskWrite @DskVerify @DskFormat  |
| Date and Time  | @SetTime @GetTime  |
| Mouse          | @MouInit @MouShowPointer @MouStatus @MouSetPos @MouSetMickey @MouRegion  |
| Memory manager | @ModBlok SET_BLOCK   |

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| Family API |   |  |
|------------|---|--|
| DOS        | Process Manager   | DosBeep DosExit DosSleep DosExecPgm  |
|            | File Manager  | DosChDir DosChgFilePtr DosClose DosDelete DosDupHandle DosMkDir DosMove DosQCurDir DosQCurDisk DosSetFileMode DosOpen DosQFileInfo DosRead DosQFileMode DosQFSInfo DosQVerify DosRmdir DosSelectDisk DosFindClose DosFindFirst DosFindNext DosSetFileInfo DosSetVerify DosWrite DosFileLocks DosSetFHandState DosNewSize DosBufReset DosQFHandState DosSetFSinfo DosShutdown |
|            | Memory Manager  | DosFreeSeg DosSubAlloc DosSubFree DosSubSet DosAllocHuge DosAllocSeg DosReallocHuge DosReallocSeg DosGetHugeShift DosCreateCSAlias   |
|            | NLS   | DosCaseMap DosGetCtryInfo DosGetDBCSEv DosSetCtryCode DosGetCollate DosGetMessage DosInsMessage DosPutMessage  |
|            | Date and Time   | DosSetDateTime DosGetDateTime  |
|            | Devices   | DosDevConfig DosDevIOct1 DosDevIOct2   |
|            | Signals   | DosHoldSignal DosSetSigHandler   |
|            | Misc  | BadDynLink DosGetEnv DosGetMachineMode DosGetVersion DosError DosErrClass DosSetVec  |
| KBD        | KbdCharIn KbdFlushBuffer KbdGetStatus KbdSetStatus KbdStringIn KbdPeek  |  |
| VIO        | VioGetBuf VioGetConfig VioGetCurPos VioGetCurType VioGetPhysBuf VioReadCellStr VioReadCharStr VioScrollUp VioScrollDn VioScrollLf VioScrollRt VioScrUnLock VioSetCurPos VioSetCurType VioSetMode VioGetMode VioShowBuf VioWrtCellStr VioWrtCharStr VioWrtCharStrAtt VioWrtNAttr VioWrtNCell VioWrtNChar VioWrtTTY VioScrLock VioPopUp |  |
| Tools      | BIND  |  |
| Modules    | DOSCALLS.DLL VIOCALLS.DLL KBDCALLS.DLL MSG.DLL  |  |
| Libraries  | API.LIB OS2386.LIB FAPI.LIB DOSCALLS.LIB SUBCALLS.LIB   |  |

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