

# Package

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A **Package** is an archive file with its contents stored according to a **Package Format** which describes the files contained in the archive as well as additional metadata required by package managers to successfully retrieve the contents of the archive. Some examples of **Package Metadata** are manifests describing the contents of the **Package**, directory layouts, [Access Control Lists \(ACLs\)](#). [Examples of some files stored in the Package](#) are `[[dido:public:ra:xapend:xapend.a_glossary:s:sourcecode`, executable files, images, and **makefiles**.

There are tools available that allow the Packages to be repackaged from on Package Formats to another.

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