

delete

keys:	[]	<number> <n1>, <n2>	picture to be deleted range of pictures to be deleted
	program	'<text>'	program to be deleted
options:	malformed		delete picture even if the label is corrupt
	verify		verify information about the process at the console

Use **delete** to delete unwanted pictures to create free space for new pictures. You can also use **delete** to delete a program from a program library.

Examples

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This command deletes the current picture.

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delete 100, 199
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This command deletes every picture in the range 100 to 199.

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delete 4:9
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This command deletes all records of pictures beyond picture 8, assuming device 4 is a tape device.

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delete program 'combine'
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This deletes a program called *combine* from the first program library found to contain the program called *combine*.

Description

delete can be used in two modes:

- picture mode
- program mode

In *picture mode*, you can delete one or a range of pictures within a single device. This releases free space, but it may be necessary to compress the device if the space is fragmented (see the command **compress**). Note that you cannot delete a write-protected picture, so you can use the command **wp** to protect your pictures from accidental deletion.

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In *program mode*, the named program is deleted from its program library using the **program** key. If the named program is found in more than one program library the copy that is deleted is the first in the current search order. You cannot delete a currently active program. Note that free space is not available immediately after using the **delete program** command; you need to use the **compress** command to free device space.

Use the **malformed** option to delete a picture that has a corrupted label. (Semper cannot process a picture with a malformed label, it is only possible to delete the picture and recover the space it occupies on a device).

Notes

see also:

compress
deassign delete (to delete entire disc files)
lut delete (to delete look-up tables)
partition delete (to delete partitions)
reinitialise (to delete the contents of a picture disc)
wp

Defaults and Ranges

keys/options	defaults	range
[]	current picture, held in variable <i>select</i>	valid picture number
program	<i>none</i> : deletes picture(s)	valid program name
verify	verification on	