

BDE Location Settings

The Borland Database Engine (BDE) is a shared component for all Borland database applications that run in Windows. It includes a number of Dynamic Link Libraries (DLLs), Locale Libraries (BLLs), the BDE Configuration Utility, and other support files.

Use this dialog box to specify where Setup should place your BDE files.

Program Files Location

This field suggests a location for the BDE program files. This default location is strongly recommended:

```
c:\Program Files\Borland\Common Files\BDE
```

To place the program files in a different directory, press Delete to clear this field. Then enter the path of the directory you prefer.

Configuration File Location

This field suggests a location for the BDE configuration file used with the BDE Configuration Utility. This default location is strongly recommended.

To place the configuration file in a different directory, press Delete to clear this field. Then enter the path of the directory you prefer.

Problem Setting Up NET DIR Parameter

NET DIR is the directory containing the Paradox network control file (PDOXUSRS.NET). NET DIR is a Paradox driver setting used by BDE to set your Borland database application's startup parameters.

For an unknown reason, Setup was unable to update your BDE configuration file with the correct NET DIR parameter.

To rectify this problem:

- Choose Continue or press Enter to continue with installation now.

- Open the BDE Configuration Utility and select the System page.

- Edit the NET DIR parameter, specifying the location of your network control file.

- Choose File|Save to save the changes to your NET DIR parameter.

Problem Merging Configuration Files

Setup updates your current BDE configuration file to reflect the presence of the new products or parameters you are installing. For an unknown reason, Setup was unable to merge the new configuration parameters into your default BDE configuration file.

Possible reasons for this problem include:

- the existing default config file is read only

- the configuration file is corrupted

- the registry keys

- HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE \ Software \ Borland \ Database Engine could not be created.

- there was an error initializing idapi32.dll it could be in use by another application.

When installation is complete, you must manually merge the new configuration parameters with your default BDE configuration file.

1. Click Continue or press Enter to continue with installation now. The new configuration parameters will be stored in the same location as your other BDE files, in a file called IDAPINew.CFG.
2. When installation is complete, open the BDE Configuration Utility. (If the Configuration Utility displays the message "System configuration file not found," just click OK. The BDE Configuration Utility opens anyway.)
3. Click File|Open to open your default BDE configuration file.
4. Click File|Merge to open the Merge Parameters From... dialog box.
5. Use the Directories and Drives boxes to navigate through your system. When you locate the IDAPINew.CFG, click OK. The Configuration Utility displays the Merge Configuration Files dialog box.
6. Click Yes to continue merging.
7. Click File|Save to save the updated configuration file. The Configuration Utility displays the Non-system Configuration File dialog box.
8. Click Yes to save the updated configuration file as your default BDE configuration file.

Default BDE Configuration File

The configuration file used at application startup. The default configuration file is listed in the Windows Registry as CONFIGFILE01.

For example:

```
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE/ SOFTWARE/ BORLAND/  
  DATABASE ENGINE /CONFIGFILE01
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You can name your configuration file anything provided that:

- it ends in ".CFG"; and
- is no more than 255 characters long, including spaces; and
- does not contain the characters:
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