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), language drivers, the BDE Configuration Utility, and other support files.

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

Program Files Location

This field suggests a location for the BDE program files. To place the configuration file 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. 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 one of the system settings the BDE uses to set your Borland database application's startup parameters. The NET DIR is the directory containing the Paradox network control file (PDOXUSRS.NET).

For an unknown reason, Install 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 Manager (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.

Borland Database Engine Installation Alert

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

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

1. Choose 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 file not found," just click **OK**. The BDE Configuration Utility opens anyway.)
3. Select File | Open to open your default BDE configuration file.
4. Select 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. Select 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 BDE configuration file used at BDE application startup. The default configuration file is listed in the IDAPI section of your WIN.INI file as CONFIGFILE01. For example:

```
[IDAPI]
CONFIGFILE01=C:\IDAPI\IDAPI.CFG
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You can name your BDE configuration file anything as long as it is no more than 8 characters long with a 3 character extension.