

Creating a default sbpace

A default sbpace must exist before you create a **bts** index. The database server sets up internal directories for basic text searching in a default sbpace.

The database server also stores **bts** indexes in the default sbpace unless you explicitly specify another sbpace when you create the index. Be sure the default sbpace is large enough to hold all of these objects. Monitor the size of the default sbpace and increase its size when necessary.

If you do not explicitly create a default sbpace and set the SBSPACENAME configuration parameter in the `onconfig` file before you create a **bts** index, the database server creates a default sbpace automatically before running the CREATE INDEX statement, according to the following criteria in this order:

- If storage provisioning is configured, the default sbpace is created in the designated storage pool.
- If the root dbpace was created in a directory, the default sbpace is created in the same directory and could use the same files system as the root dbpace.
- If the root dbpace is a raw device in the `/dev` directory, the default sbpace is created in the `$INFORMIXDIR/tmp` directory.

The sbpace for **bts** index must have buffering enabled. Buffering is enabled by default when you create an sbpace. You can use various methods to create an sbpace, including the **onspaces** utility, the SQL administration API **task()** function with the **create sbpace** argument, or through storage provisioning, if you have configured a storage pool.

To create the default sbpace:

1. Set the SBSPACENAME configuration parameter in the configuration file to the name of your default sbpace.

The following example sets the name of the default sbpace to **sbsp1**:

```
SBSPACENAME sbsp1
```

2. Restart the database server.
3. Create the sbpace.

The following example creates an sbpace called **sbsp1** in the file `c:\IFMXDATA\sbsp1` by using the **onspaces** utility:

```
onspaces -c -S sbsp1 -p c:\IFMXDATA\sbsp1 -o 0 -s 100000
```

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→ [SBSPACENAME configuration parameter](#)

→ [onspaces -c -S: Create an sbpace](#)

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- create sbspace from storagepool argument: Create an sbspace from the storage pool (SQL administration API)

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