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This is an overview of commands and information related to Sybase Replication Server. All information applies to RepServer 11.5 or later, replicating between ASE servers, and to a Unix environment, except where indicated otherwise. Functionality that is new in, or specific to, a RepServer version is indicates with a version number, for example (12.0).

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Abbreviations

Some abbreviations which are used in this Quick Reference Guide:

ASE	Adaptive Server Enterprise	
DSI	DataServer Interface - RS thread for a connection to a replicate database	
DIST	Distributor - RS thread per primary database	
LTM	Log Transfer Manager; synonym for RepAgent	
RS, RepServer	Replication Server	
RepAgent	Replication Agent (in primary dataserver)	
RepDef	Replication Definition	
RSI	Replication Server Interface - RS thread related to a route to another RepServer	
RSM	Replication Server Manager (a DBA tool normally used in combination with Sybase Central)	
RSSD	Replication Server System Database	
SQM	Stable Queue Manager - RS thread managing a queue	
SQT	Stable Queue Manager - RS thread assembling transactions	

<u>Replication Server Commands</u> The following commands can only be executed in Replication Server.

/* a comment between delimiters */

-- a comment until the end of this line Two styles of commenting; same as in ASE.

abort switch for logical_dataserver.logical_database Aborts the switch active command, unless RepServer has already gone too far in the switch process to abort it (the switch active command changes the active database in a warm standby application).

activate subscription sub_name for { table_rep_def | function_rep_def | publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database } } with replicate at

dataserver.database [with suspension [at active replicate only]] Starts the distribution of updates from the primary database to the replicate database for a subscription. The subscription status is set to ACTIVE. This command is part of the bulk materialization process, or part of the process of refreshing a publication subscription.

add partition logical_name on 'physical_name' with size <n> [starting at vstart] Adds a partition of size <n> Mb to RepServer. This can be a raw partition or an OS file (if a file, it must already exist). Note: use single quotes around physical_name.

admin disk space

Displays utilization (in 1Mb segments) of each disk partition known by RepServer.

admin echo, character_string

Returns the string entered by the user (to check if local RepServer is running).

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admin get_generation , *dataserver*, *database* Retrieves the generation number for a primary database.

admin health

Displays the status of the RepServer.

admin log_name Displays the path to the current log file

admin logical_status [, logical_dataserver, logical_database] Displays status information for logical connections.

admin pid

Displays the process ID of the RepServer.

admin guiesce_check

Determines if the RepServer is currently quiescent (i.e. all messages have processed and there are no open transactions).

admin quiesce_force_rsi

Determines whether a RepServer is currently quiescent and forces the RepServer to deliver and obtain acknowledgements for messages in RSI queues.

admin rssd name

Displays the names of the data server and database for the RSSD.

admin security_property [, mechanism_name] Displays information about supported network-based security mechanisms/ services.

admin security_setting [, rs_idserver |, rs_server |, dataserver.database] Displays network-based security parameters and values for RepServer.

admin set_log_name , log_file

Closes the existing RepServer log file and opens a new log file.

admin show connections

Displays information about all connections from the RepServer to data servers and to other RepServers.

admin show function classes

Displays the names of existing function-string classes and their parent classes, and indicates the number of levels of inheritance.

admin show_route_versions Displays the version number of routes that originate or terminate at the RepServer.

admin show site version

Displays the site version of the Replication Server.

admin sqm_readers , q_number , q_type Displays the read and delete points of the threads that are reading a stable queue.

(RS 11.5)

admin statistics , { mem | md | reset } (RS 12.0)

admin statistics , { mem | md | dsi | reset } Displays statistics about memory use (mem), message delivery (md), and replicated transactions (dsi) by the current RepServer. reset resets the statistics counters.

(RS 12.0)

admin translate , value, source_datatype, target_datatype

Converts value from the specified source_datatype to target_datatype (used for testing/troubleshooting data conversion issues in heterogenous replication systems).

admin version

Displays software version information about the currently running RepServer.

admin who [, dist | dsi | rsi | sqm | sqt]

Displays information about the various types of threads running in the RepServer.

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Queues are identified as <db-nr>:<something>, where <something> is one of:

- <positive 8-digit number> is a route
- <negative 8-digit number> is a materialization queue
- <0> is an outbound queue (going a route or a replicate dataserver)
- <1> is an inbound queue (coming from a RepAgent)

admin who is down

Displays information about RepServer threads that are not running.

admin who_is_up

Displays information about RepServer threads that are running.

allow connections

First, start RepServer in stand-alone mode and execute set log recovery for each database whose logs will be replayed, then execute allow connections to begin replaying log records from reloaded dumps.

After executing allow connections, RepServer accepts connect requests only from RepAgents started in recovery mode for the specified databases. This ensures that RepServer receives the replayed log records before current transactions.

alter connection to dataserver database

{ set function string class [to] function_class | set eror class [to] eror_class | set password [to] passwd | set log transfer [to] { on | off } | set database_param [to] 'value' set security_param [to] 'value' | set security_services [to] 'default' } Modifies attributes for this database connection. For values for database_param and security_param, see configure replication server. set security_services to 'default' resets all network security features to "not required" for this connection.

alter function rep_def.function add parameters @param datatype [,...]

Adds parameters to a user-defined function. Note: this is old (RepServer version 10) functionality which is still supported but has been replaced by alter function replication definition.

alter function replication definition function_rep_def { deliver as ' proc_name' | add @param datatype [,...] | add searchable parameters @param [,...] | send standby { all | replication definition } parameters } Modifies an existing function RepDef.

alter function string [rep_def.]function[;function_string]

for function_class [scan 'input_template']

[output { language 'lang_output_template' |

rpc 'execute procedure_name [@param =] { constant | ?variable!modifier? } [,...] ' | **writetext** [**use primary log** | **with log** | **no log**] | **none** }] Replaces an existing function string. To restore the default function string: **alter**

function string MyRepDef.function for function_class (only for function class rs_sqlserver_function_class). For modifiers, see create function string

alter function string class function_class set parent to { parent_class | null } Alters a function-string class, specifying whether it should be a base or derived class.

alter logical connection to logical_dataserver.logical_database

{ set distribution { on | off } |

set logical_database_param to 'value'

set send_truncate_table to { on | off } }

Alters a logical connection. For logical_database_param, see configure replication server. send_truncate_table applies to replication of truncate table commands in a warm standby database.

(RS 11.5)

alter replication definition rep_def

{ with replicate table named [owner_name.]'table_name' | add column_name [as replicate_column_name] [datatype [null | not null]] [,...] | alter columns with column_name as replicate_column_name [,...] | add searchable columns column_name [....] send standby [off | { all | replication definition } columns] | replicate { minimal | all } columns | replicate_if_changed column_name [,...] | always_replicate column_name [,...] }

(RS 12.0)

alter replication definition rep_def

{ with replicate table named [owner_name.]'table_name' |

add column_name [as replicate_column_name] [datatype [null | not null]] [map to published_datatype] [,...] |

alter columns with column_name [as replicate_column_name] [datatype [null | not null]] [map to published_datatype] [,...] |

add primary key column_name [,...]| drop primary key column_name [,...]|

add searchable columns column_name [,...] | drop searchable columns column_name [,...] |

send standby [off | { all | replication definition } columns] |

replicate { minimal | all } columns |

replicate_if_changed column_name [,...] |

always_replicate column_name[...]} Modifies an existing RepDef. <u>Note 1</u>: **null** and **not null** apply only to **text**, **image** or rawobject columns. <u>Note 2</u>: customised function strings are not automatically altered when columns are added to a RepDef; this must be done using **alter function** string. Note3: replicate minimal columns cannot be used when also using custom function strings (except when using rs_default_fs for rs_update & rs_delete).

alter route to remote_replication_server

{ set next site [to] next_replication_server | set username [to] 'user' set password [to] 'passwd' | set password [to] 'passwd' | set route_param [to] 'value' | set security_param [to] 'value' | set security_services [to] 'default' }

Modifies attributes of a route from the current RepServer to a replicate RepServer. For route_param and security_param, see configure replication server.

alter user user set password { new_passwd | null } [verify password old_passwd] Modifies a user's password.

assign action { ignore | warn | retry_log | log | retry_stop | stop_replication } for

error_class to dataserver_error [, dataserver_error]... Assigns RepServer error-handling actions to data server errors received by the DSI thread.

check publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database

Finds the status of a publication and the number of articles the publication contains.

check subscription sub_name

for { table_rep_def | function_rep_def | { article_name in pub_name | publication pub_name } with primary at dataserver.database } with replicate at dataserver.database

Finds the materialization status of a subscription to a table of function RepDef, all articles of a publication, or a specific article of a publication.

configure connection ...

This command is identical to alter connection.

configure logical connection .

This command is identical to alter logical connection.

configure replication server

{ set repserver_param to 'value' | set route_param to 'value' | set database_param to 'value' | set logical_database_param to 'value' | set security_param to 'value' | set id_security_param to 'value' | set security_services to 'default' |

(RS 12.0) set ha_failover to { 'on' | 'off' } }

Sets configuration parameters of this RepServer. These are stored in the rs_config table in the RSSD and can be viewed (and modified) using the ASE stored procedure rs_configure. set security_services to 'default' resets all network security features to 'not required'. repserver_param can be the following:

- cm_max_connections (default=64)
- current_rssd_version
- fstr_cachesize (default=200000 (bytes))
- id server
- init_sqm_write_delay (default=1000 (milliseconds))

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- init_sqm_write_max_delay (default=10000 (milliseconds))
- memory_limit (default=20 (Mb))
- minimum_rssd_version
- num_client_connections (default=30)
- num_concurrent_subs (default=10)
- num_msgqueues (default=178)
- num_msgs (default=45568)
- num_mutexes (default=128)
- num_stable_queues (default=32) (HP only)
- num_threads (default=50)
- oserver
- password_encryption (default=0)
- prev_min_rssd_version
- prev_rssd_version
- queue_dump_buffer_size (default=1000 (bytes))
- rec_daemon_sleep_time (default=2 (minutes))
- rssd_error_class (default=rs_sqlserver_error_class)
- sqm_warning_thr1 (default=75 (percent))
- sqm_warning_thr2 (default=90 (percent))
- sqm_warning_thr_ind (default=70 (percent))
- sqt_max_cache_size (default=1048576 (bytes))
- sre_reserve (default=0 (percent))
- sts_cachesize (default=100 (#rows cached))
- sub_daemon_sleep_time (default=120 (seconds))

route_param can be the following:

- rsi_batch_size (default=262144 (bytes))
- rsi_fadeout_time (default=-1)
- rsi_packet_size (default=2048 (bytes))
- rsi_sync_interval (default=60 (seconds))
- save_interval (default=0 (minutes))

database_param can be the following:

- batch (default='on')
- batch_begin (default='on')
- command_retry (default=3 (#retries))
- db_packet_size (default=512 (bytes))
- dsi_charset_convert (default='on')
- dsi cmd batch size (default=8192 (bytes))
- dsi_cmd_separator (default='\n')
- dsi_exec_request_sproc (default='on')
- dsi_fadeout_time (default=600 (seconds))
- dsi_keep_triggers (default='on'; except for standby databases)
- dsi_large_xact_size (default=100)
- dsi_max_cmds_to_log (default=-1)
- dsi_max_text_to_log (default=-1)
- dsi_num_large_xact_threads (default=0)
- dsi_num_threads (default=1)
- dsi_replication (default='off', 'on' for active databases in warm standby)
- dsi_serialization_method (default='wait_for_commit)
- dsi_sql_data_style { 'db2' | 'notes' | 'watcom' | 'sqlremote' } (default=" (for ASE)) Note: this option is obsolete in 12.0.
- dsi_sqt_max_cache_size (default=0)
- dsi_xact_group_size (default=65536 (bytes))
- dsi_max_xacts_in_group (default=20)
- dump_load (default='off)
- parallel_dsi (default='off)
- save_interval (default=0 (minutes))

logical_database_param can be the following:

- materialization_save_interval (default='strict' for standby databases)
- save_interval (default=0 (minutes))

security_param can be the following:

- msg_confidentiality (default='not_required') msg_integrity (default='not_required')
- msg_origin_check (default='not_required')

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- msg_replay_detection (default='not_required')
- msg_sequence_check (default='not_required')
- mutual_auth (default='not_required')
- security_mechanism (default=first security item in libtcl.cfg)

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- unified_login (default='not_required')
- use_security_services (default='off')

id_security_param can be the following:

- id_msg_confidentiality (default='not_required')
- id_msg_integrity (default='not_required')
- id_msg_origin_check (default='not_required')
- id_msg_replay_detection (default='not_required') id_ msg_sequence_check (default='not_required')
- id_mutual_auth (default='not_required')
- id_security_mech (default=first security item in libtcl.cfg) id_unified_login (default='not_required')

configure route ...

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This command is identical to alter route.

create article article_name for pub_name with primary at dataserver.database

with replication definition { table_rep_def | function_rep_def } [where { column_name | @param } { <| >| >= | <| & } value [and { column_name | @param } { <| >| >= | <| & } value [and { column_name | @param } { <| >| >= | <| & } value]...] [or where { column_name | @param } { <| >| >= | <= | =| & } value [and { column_name | @param } { <| >| >= | <= | =| & } value [and { column_name | @param } { <| >| >= | <= | =| & } value [...] Creates an article for a table or function replication definition and specifies the

publication that is to contain the article. Using create article automatically invalidates the publication the article is for. You cannot create new subscriptions until you validate the publication (using validate publication). You cannot replicate data for the new article until you refresh the publication subscription (using create (or define/activate/validate) subscription...for new articles).

Note that the **or** keyword is <u>not</u> part of the WHERE-clause, but is used to join different WHERE-clauses.

create connection to dataserver.database

set error class [to] error_class set function string class [to] function_class set username [to] user set password [to] password

[set database_param [to]'value' set security_param [to]'value']

[with { log transfer on, dsi_suspended }]

[as active for logical_dataserver.logical_database |

as standby for logical_dataserver.logical_database [use dump marker]] Adds a database to the replication system. To create a connection for an ASE database, best use the rs_init program which performs some additional initialisation actions (see the RepServer Installation Guide). When creating the connection for a standby using the dump marker, first run the create connection ... use dump marker command, and then dump the database (not the other way around). The username specified is the maintenance user for this database. For database_paramand security_param, see configure replication server.

create error class error_class

Creates an error class. The rs_sqlserver_error_class is the default error class provided for ASE databases. After creating the error class, use the rs_init_erroractions stored procedure to initialize the error class.

create function rep_def.function ([@param datatype [,...]])

Creates a user-defined function. For more information, see the RepServer Administration Guide. Note: this is old (RepServer version 10) functionality which is still supported but has been replaced by create function replication definition.

create function replication definition function_rep_def

with primary at dataserver.database [deliver as 'procedure_name'] ([@param datatype [,...]]) [searchable parameters (@param [,...])] [send standby { all | replication definition } parameters]

create function string [rep_def.]function[;function_string]

Creates a function RepDef for a stored procedure that is to be replicated (Syntax note: the brackets are required even if the procedure has no parameters).

for function_class [with overwrite] [scan 'input_template']

[output { language 'lang_output_template' | rpc 'execute procedure_name [@param =] { constant | ?variableImodifier? } [,...] ' | writetext [use primary log | with log | no log] | none }]

Adds a function string to a function string class. RepServer uses function strings to generate instructions for data servers.

Possible modifiers are:

- new, new_raw: the new value of a column being inserted or updated
- old, old_raw: the existing value of a column being inserted or updated user, user_raw : a variable defined in the input template of an rs_select or rs_select_with_lock function string
- sys, sys_raw: a system-defined variable
- param, param_raw: a function parameter
- text_status : status for text, image or rawobject data. Possible values are:
 - 0x0000 Text field contains NULL value, and text pointer not initialized.
 - 0x0002 Text pointer is initialized.
 - 0x0004 Real text data will follow.
 - 0x0008 No text data will follow because the text data is not replicated.
 - 0x0010 The text data is not replicated but it contains NULL values.

create function string class function_class [set parent to parent_class]

Creates a function string class. <u>Note</u>: you cannot use *rs_sqlserver_function_class* as a parent class. You <u>can</u> use *rs_default_function_class* or *rs_db2_function_class* as parent classes.

create logical connection to dataserver.database

Creates a logical connection, which is required for warm standby applications. The logical connection will be mapped to a physical connection; when no physical connection exists yet, dataserver and database can be fictitious names; otherwise, the logical connection must have the same name as the existing physical connection.

create publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database

Creates a publication for tables or stored procedures that are to be replicated as a group to one or more subscribing replicate databases

create replication definition rep_def

with primary at dataserver.database [with all tables named [owner_name.]'table_name' |

[with primary table named [owner_name.]table_name'] [with primary table named [owner_name.]table_name']]

(column_name [as replicate_column_name] [datatype [null | not null]] [,...])

primary key (column_name [,...])

primary key (column_name [,...]) [searchable columns (column_name [,...])] [send standby [{ all |replication definition } columns]] [replicate { minimal | all } columns] [replicate_if_changed (column_name [,...])] [always_replicate (column_name [,...])] Creates a RepDef for a table that is to be replicated. Note: the clauses preplicate if changed and change and the second secon replicate_if_changed and always_replicate apply to text, image or rawobject columns only. Note2: replicate minimal columns cannot be used when also using custom function strings (except when using rs_default_fs for rs_update & rs delete).

create route to remote_rep_server { set next site [to] intermediate_rep_server | [set username [to]user][set password[to]passwol] [set rsi_batch_size [to]'value'][set route_param to 'value']

[set security_param to 'value'] }

Designates the route for a connection from the current RepServer to a remote RepServer, optionally via an intermediate RepServer. For values for route_param and security_param, see configure replication server.

create subscription sub_name for { table_rep_def | function_rep_def | publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database } with replicate at dataserver.database

[where { column_name | @param } { < | > | >= | <= | & } value [and { column_name | @param } { < | > | >= | <= | & } value [...] [without holdlock | incrementally | without materialization] [subscribe to truncate table] [for new articles]

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Creates and initializes a subscription and materializes subscription data. The subscription may be for a table RepDef, function RepDef, or publication. Default materialization for table RepDefs is atomic materialization, i.e. using "select with holdlock" . For non-atomic materialization, specify the without holdlock option. Nonatomic materialization is always incremental (= transactions of 10 inserts). Note: WHERE-clauses are not possible for subscriptions to publications.

create user user set password { passwd | null }

Adds a new user login name to a RepServer.

define subscription sub_name for { table_rep_def | function_rep_def | publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database } with replicate at dataserver database

[where { column_name | @param } { < | > | >= | <= | & } value [and { column_name | @param } { < | > | >= | <= | & } value [...] [subscribe to truncate table] [for new articles] Creates a subscription, but does not materialize or activate the subscription. The

subscription may be for a table RepDef, function RepDef, or publication. This command is used for bulk subscription materialization, or refreshing a publication subscription. Note: WHERE-clauses are not possible for publication subscriptions.

drop article article_name for pub_name with primary at dataserver.database [drop_repdef]

Drops an article from a publication and optionally drops its RepDef (if it is not used elsewhere). Using drop article automatically invalidates the publication the article is for. You cannot create new subscriptions until you validate the publication (using validate publication).

drop connection to dataserver.database

Removes a primary or replicate database from the replication system. It does not affect primary or replicated data but only modifies the RSSD. Associated RepDefs and/or subscriptions should be dropped first.

drop error class error_class

Drops an error class and any actions associated with it.

drop function [rep_def.]function

Drops a function. <u>Note</u>: this is old (RepServer version 10) functionality which is still supported but has been replaced by "**drop function replication definition**".

drop function replication definition function_rep_def Drops a function RepDef and its user-defined function.

drop function string [rep_def.]function[;function_string | ;all] for function_class Drops a function string for a function string class.

drop function string class function_class

Drops a function string class.

drop logical connection to dataserver.database

Drops a logical connection (used to manage warm standby applications).

drop partition logical_name

Removes a disk partition from the RepServer. It will be dropped as soon as it becomes unused.

drop publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database [drop_repdef] Drops a publication and all of its articles, and optionally drops the RepDefs for the articles (if they're not used elsewhere).

drop replication definition rep def

Drops a RepDef and the corresponding function strings.

drop route to remote_replication_server [with nowait]

Closes the route to another RepServer. Before dropping a route, all subscriptions at the remote RepServer for primary data managed by the source RepServer, should be dropped. Also, any indirect routes that use the route should be dropped. The with nowait option should only be used as a last resort: the route will be closed, even if communication with the destination RepServer is not possible. In this case, you should usually execute the sysadmin purge_route_at_replicate command next.

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drop subscription sub name

for { table_rep_def | function_rep_def | { article article_name in pub_name | publication pub_name } with primary at dataserver.database } with replicate at dataserver.database

[without purge [with suspension [at active replicate only]] | [incrementally] with purge]

Drops a subscription to a table RepDef, function RepDef, article or publication. For a table RepDef or publication, a dematerialization method (with/without purge) must be specified

drop user user

Drops a RepServer user login name.

grant { sa | create object | primary subscribe | connect source } to user Assigns permissions to a user. Possible permissions are:

- everything permitted sa
- can create RepDefs, subscriptions etc. create object
- primary subscribe - can only create subscriptions connect source - required for RepAgent logins & RepServer route logins

ignore loss from dataserver.database [to { dataserver.database | rep_server }] Allows RepServer to accept messages after it has detected a loss.

move primary of { error class | function string class } class_name to rep_server Modifies the primary RepServer for an error class or function string class.

rebuild gueues

Rebuilds RepServer stable queues. When ready, check the RepServer error log for lines indicating lost messages. When RepServer is running in single-user mode (started with the "-M" commandline option), and rebuild queues is executed, RepServer will only accept connections from RepAgents running in recovery mode. WARNING: this is a potentially dangerous operation with risk of loss of transactions; see the RepServer Administration Guide and/or Troubleshooting Guide for instructions on how to use this command.

resume connection to dataserver.database [skip transaction | execute transaction]

Resumes a suspended connection. The first transaction in the queue can be skipped with skip transaction, which is then written into the RSSD and can be viewed with rs_helpexception. The option execute transaction should only be used when a problem with a system transaction (with error message: There is a system transaction whose state is not known. DSI will be shut down") causing the DSI suspension has now been fixed.

resume distributor dataserver.database

Resumes a suspended Distributor thread for a connection to a database.

resume log transfer from { dataserver.database | all } Allows RepAgents to connect to the RepServer.

resume route to remote_replication_server Resumes a suspended route.

revoke { sa | connect source | create object | primary subscribe } from user Revokes permissions (which were previously assigned using grant) from a user.

route_upgrade source_replication_server.remote_replication_server An RSM Server command that upgrades the specified route for use with RepServer 11.5 or later. Upgrading a route rematerializes the data in RSSD and makes information associated with new features available to a newly upgraded RepServer.

route upgrade recovery source replication server.remote replication server An RSM Server command to recover a failed route upgrade.

route_upgrade_status

An RSM Server command to display routes that need to be upgraded or recovered.

set autocorrection { on | off } for rep_def with replicate at dataserver.database

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Enables (on) or disables (off. =default) autocorrection for a RepDef in a specific replicate database. With autocorrection, RepServer converts each update or insert operation at the replicate database into a delete followed by an insert. This is used to prevent errors caused by missing or duplicate rows in a copy of a replicated table. Autocorrection should only be enabled for RepDefs whose subscriptions use nonatomic materialization (create subscription command specified without holdlock). After materialization is complete and the subscription is VALID, you should disable autocorrection to improve performance.

set log recovery for dataserver.database

Places RepServer in log recovery mode for a database whose log is to be recovered from offline dumps. Execute set log recovery after restarting RepServer in standalone mode, next execute allow connections to enter recovery mode. RepServer accepts connections only from RepAgents started in recovery mode for databases named with set log recovery. This ensures that old log records are replayed before new log records are accepted.

set proxy [to] [user_name [verify password passwd]] Switches to another RepServer user with all the permissions of the new user and none of the permissions of the original user.

shutdown

Shuts down a RepServer.

suspend connection to dataserver.database [with nowait] Suspends a connection to a database.

suspend distributor dataserver.database

Suspends the Distributor thread for a connection to a database.

suspend log transfer from { dataserver.database | all }

Disconnects a RepAgent from a RepServer and prevents an RepAgent from connecting. This is the first step in quiescing the replication system. Use admin quiesce_check to test whether the system is quiesced after suspending the RepAgents.

suspend route to remote_replication_server Suspends a route to another RepServer.

switch active for logical_dataserver.logical_database to dataserver.database [with suspension]

Modifies the active database in a warm standby application. Note: the RepAgent for the new active database should also be started.

sysadmin apply_truncate_table , replicate_dataserver, replicate_database,

{ owner_name | "}, table_name, { 'on' | 'off' } Turns the subscribe to truncate table option on or off for all existing subscriptions to a table, enabling or disabling replication of the truncate table ASE command. sysadmin apply_truncate_table should be executed at the replicate RepServer.

sysadmin dropdb , dataserver, database

Drops a database from the ID Server. Use only when drop connection fails.

sysadmin dropldb , dataserver, database Drops a logical DB from the ID Server. Use onlywhen drop logical connection fails.

sysadmin drop_queue, q_number, q_type Drops a stable queue. Can be used for dropping a failed materialization queue.

sysadmin droprs , replication_server Drops a RepServer from the ID Server. Note that the corresponding RSSD must also be dropped with sysadmin dropdb.

sysadmin dump_file [, file_name]

Specifies an alternative log file name to use when dumping a RepServer stable queue when using sysadmin dump_queue next. Issuing sysadmin dump_file without a filename closes the log file previously opened.

sysadmin dump_queue, q_number, q_type, seg, blk, cnt [, RSSD | client]

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Dumps the contents of a RepServer stable queue. To dump entire undeleted queue. "-1,-1,-2" for "seg, blk, cnt"; specify "-1,-2,-2" to start at the first unread block. If **RSSD** or **client** is not specified, the output goes to RepServer log, unless changed with sysadmin dump_file.

sysadmin fast_route_upgrade , remote_replication_server

Updates the route to a remote RepServer to the version of the current RepServer. Upgrading a route rematerializes the data in RSSD and makes information associated with new features available to a newly upgraded RepServer.

sysadmin hibernate_off [, string] Turns off hibernation mode for the RepServer and returns it to an active state. If string was specified with sysadmin hibernate_on, you must specify the same value. If you forgot the string, you can find it in the rs_recovery RSSD table with the following query: select convert(char(255), text) from rs_recovery

sysadmin hibernate_on [, string]

Turns on hibernation mode ("suspends") for the RepServer. This will stop other users from accessing the RepServer, so that system information (admin) and system administration (sysadmin) commands can be executed. You can use string (some valid string value) to ensure that no-one else accidentally turns off hibernation mode for the RepServer while you are working on it.

sysadmin log_first_tran , dataserver, database
Writes the first transaction in a DSI queue into the RSSD exceptions log (it can then be viewed using rs_helpexception). The transaction is not deleted from the queue.

sysadmin purge_all_open , q_number , q_type

Purges all open transactions from an inbound queue of this RepServer.

sysadmin purge_first_open, *q_number*, *q_type* Purges the first open transaction from the inbound queue of this RepServer.

sysadmin purge_route_at_replicate , remote_replication_server Removes all references to this RepServer from a remote RepServer.

sysadmin restore_dsi_saved_segments , dataserver, database

Restores backlogged transactions so they can be replayed into the database.

sysadmin set_dsi_generation, gen_number, primary_dataserver, primary_database, replicate_dataserver, replicate_database

Modifies a DSI generation number (stored in RSSD..rs_exceptslast.origin_gid) for a replicate DB to prevent the application of transactions in the DSI stable queue after a replicate database is restored. In order to activate the new DSI generation number, the DSI must be suspended and resumed.

sysadmin site_version [, version] Sets the site version number for the current RepServer (for example: 1200). This allows use of software features in the corresponding release, and prevents from downgrading to an earlier release.

sysadmin sqm_purge_queue, q_number, q_type Purges all messages from a stable queue. <u>WARNING</u>: Purging messages from a stable queue can result in data loss and should be used only with the advice of Sybase Technical Support. When you purge a queue, RepServer cannot send the purged messages to the destination database or RepServer, and this causes inconsistencies in the replication system. If a queue contains subscription marker messages or route messages, using this command can have severe consequences.

sysadmin sqm_unzap_command, q_number, q_type, seg, blk, row

Undeletes a message in a stable queue. These values can be found by using the admin who command, the admin who, sqm command, and the admin who, sqt command. seg - identifies the segment in the stable queue that contains the message to be undeleted. blk - identifies the 16K block in the segment. Block numbering starts at 1 and ends at 64. row - the row number in the block of the command to be undeleted

sysadmin sqm_zap_command , q_number , q_type , seg , blk , row Deletes a single message in a stable queue.

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sysadmin sqt_dump_queue q_number , q_type , reader [, open] Dumps the transaction cache for an inbound queue or a DSI queue.

sysadmin system_version [, version]

Executed in the ID server, displays or sets the system-wide version number for a replication system, allowing RepServers of different release levels to work together. Valid version numbers include 1100, 1102, 1103, 1150, 1200, and others (corresponding to RepServer releases). When setting this version number, all RepServers in the system must be at that version or a higher version.

trace { 'on' | 'off' }, 'dsi' , 'dsi_buf_dump'
Dumps commands sent to the DSI into RepServer errorlog (Note: this command is not documented or supported).

validate publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database

Sets the status of a publication to VALID, allowing new subscriptions to be created for the publication.

validate subscription sub_name for { table_rep_def | function_rep_def | publication pub_name with primary at dataserver.database }

with replicate at dataserver.database For a subscription to a RepDef or a publication, sets the subscription status to VALID. This command is part of the bulk materialization process, or part of the process of refreshing a publication subscription.

wait for create standby for logical_dataserver.logical_database

A blocking command that allows a client session in the RepServer to wait for the standby database creation process to complete.

wait for switch for logical_dataserver.logical_database A blocking command that allows a client session in the RepServer to wait for the switch to the new active database to complete.

ASE Commands and System Stored Procedures

The following commands and procedures can only be executed in ASE:

dbcc dbrepair (database_name, Itmignore) Command that turns off replication for an offline ASE database that has a valid secondary truncation point. For cases where dbcc settrunc can't be used because the database is not accessible.

dbcc gettrunc

Command to retrieve RepAgent information about the current ASE database.

- Itm_truncpage The first page that is not truncated in the database log
 - *ltm_trunc_state* One of the following values:
 - 1 ASE does not truncate the log on or after the *ltm_truncpage* 0 - ASE ignores the Itm_truncpage
 - db_rep_stat A mask constructed of the following:
 - 0x01 *ltm_truncpage* is valid
 - 0x02 database contains replicated tables
 - 0x04 database contains replicated stored procedures
 - 0x20 RepAgent enabled
 - 0x40 autostart RepAgent
 - The database generation ID gen_id
 - The ID number of the database dbid
 - The name of the database dbname
- ltl_version RepAgent: the log transfer language (LTL) version.

dbcc settrunc ('ltm', { 'valid' | 'ignore' }) dbcc settrunc ('ltm', 'gen_id', db_generation)

Command to modify the RepAgent information for the current ASE database. Note: you cannot execute this command when RepAgent is running.

- 'valid' instructs ASE to respect the secundary truncation point.
- 'ignore' instructs ASE to ignore the secundary truncation point.
- 'gen_id' instructs ASE to reset the database generation number in the log (for primary databases).

db_generation - is the new database generation number. Increment the number after restoring primary DB/log dumps to prevent RepServer from rejecting new transactions as duplicates.

set replication ['on' | 'force_ddl' | 'default' | 'off']

Command that enables or disables replication of DDL and/or DML commands to the standby database for the current session.

- 'on' enables replication of DML commands for tables marked with sp_setreptable, if **sp_reptostandy** is set to 'none'. If **sp_reptostandby** is set to 'L1' or 'all', enables replication of DML and DDL commands to the standby
- database. This is the default setting. 'force_ddl' always enables replication of DDL commands for the current session. If **sp_reptostandby** is set to 'L1' or 'all' DML commands are replicated for all user tables. If **sp_reptostandby** is set to 'none' DML commands are replicated for tables marked with sp_setreptable.
- 'default' turns off 'force_ddl' and returns to the default ('on').
- 'off' turns off replication of marked tables and user stored procedures for the current session. No DML or DDL commands are replicated to the standby or replicate database.

sp_configure 'enable rep agent threads' [, 1 | 0]

Enables (1) or disables (0) RepAgent threads in ASE (option is dynamic).

sp_config_rep_agent [database_name [, {'enable', 'repserver_name', 'repserver_username', 'repserver_password'} |

'disable' [, 'preserve secondary truncpt'] | rs_servername, 'repserver_name' | rs_username, 'repserver_username'

rs_password, 'repserver_password' | scan_batch_size, 'no_of_qualifying_log_records' | scan_timeout, 'scan_timeout_in_seconds'
retry_timeout, 'retry_timeout_in_seconds' fade_timeout, 'fade_timeout_in_seconds' | skip_ltl_errors, { true | false } | batch_ltl, { true | false } | send_warm_standby_xacts, { true | false } | connect_dataserver, 'connect_dataserver_name' |
connect_database, 'connect_database_name' |
send_maint_xacts_to_replicate, { true | false } | security_mechanism, 'mechanism_name' | unified_login, { true | false } | mutual_authentication, { true | false } | msg_confidentiality, { true | false } | msg_integrity, { true | false } |

msg_replay_detection, { true | false } | msg_origin_check, { true | false } |

- msg_out_of_sequence_check, { true | false } | (12.0) skip_unsupported_features, { true | false } |

(12.0) ha_failover, { true | false }]]

Modifies or displays the configuration parameters for the RepAgent thread for an ASE database. <u>Note:</u> use **'disable'** only when downgrading the RepServer or changing the primary database status, as this command truncates all RepAgent entries in the **sysattributes** table. Without parameters, displays all databases where RepAgent has been configured.

sp_help_rep_agent [dbname | null [, 'recovery' | 'config' | 'process' | 'scan' | 'security' | 'all']]

Displays static and dynamic information about RepAgent threads. To show which RepAgents are running, use: **sp_help_rep_agent** *null, recovery*. To show RepAgent status: **sp_help_rep_agent** *null, process*

sp_start_rep_agent dbname [, 'for_recovery' [, 'connect_dataserver', 'connect_database' [, 'repserver_name', 'repserver_username', 'repserver_passwd']]] Starts a RepAgent thread for the specified ASE database.

sp_stop_rep_agent *dbname* [, **'nowait'**] Shuts down the RepAgent thread for the specified database.

sp_reptostandby dbname [, 'L1' | 'all' | 'none']

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Marks or unmarks a database for schema replication to the standby database. Enables replication of supported schema changes and data changes to user tables. Note that this may take a long time when the database contains large amounts of text, image or rawobject data.

- 'L1' sets the schema replication support level to the level of the current RepServer/ASE. If you upgrade the database, the feature set will remain at this level. For RepServer 11.5 and 12.0, 'L1' is equivalent to 'all'.
- 'all' sets the schema replication support level to that of the current ASE Server. If you upgrade the database, the feature set of the later release is enabled automatically.
- 'none' unmarks all database tables for replication and turns off data and schema replication to the standby database (this may take some time; it also takes exclusive locks on all user tables in the database).

The following Transact-SQL DDL commands and ASE System Stored Procedures are replicated to the standby database when 'L1' is specified:

alter table	create default	create index
create procedure	create rule	create table
create trigger	create view	drop default
drop index	drop procedure	drop rule
drop table	drop trigger	drop view
grant	revoke	sp_addalias
sp_addgroup	sp_addmessage	sp_adduser
sp_addtype	sp_bindefault	sp_bindmsg
sp_bindrule	sp_changegroup	sp_chgattribute
sp_commonkey	sp_config_rep_agent	sp_dropalias
sp_dropgroup	sp_dropkey	sp_dropmessage
sp_droptype	sp_dropuser	sp_foreignkey
sp_primarykey	sp_procxmode	sp_recompile
sp_rename	sp_setrepcol	sp_setreplicate
sp_setrepproc	sp_setreptable	sp_unbindefault
sp_unbindmsg	sp_unbindrule	

sp_setrepdefmode table_name [, { 'owner_on' | 'owner_off' }] Modifies or displays the owner status of tables marked for replication. This is for ASE version 11.5 or later databases.

- owner_on changes the owner status of the table so the table name and owner name are considered when the table is marked for replication. Enables replication of multiple tables of the same name with different owners
- owner_off changes the owner status of the table so that only the table name is considered when the table is marked for replication.

sp_setrepcol table_name [, { column_name | null }] [, { do_not_replicate | always_replicate | replicate_if_changed }] Sets or displays the replication status for text, image or rawobject columns.

sp_setrepproc [procedure_name [, { 'function' | 'table' | 'false' }]] Enables or disables replication for a stored procedure or displays the current replication status of a stored procedure. Note: the 'table' option is old (RepServer version 10) functionality which is still supported but has been replaced by the 'function' option.

sp_setreptable [table_name [, { 'true' | 'false' } [, { 'owner_on' | 'owner_off' }]]] Enables or disables replication for an ASE table or displays the current replication status of a table. sp_setreptable sets the replication status of all columns in a table, including text, image or rawobject columns, to always_replicate. See sp_setrepdefmode for the description of the owner_on and owner_off options.

sp_setreplicate [object_name [, { 'true' | 'false' }]] Note: This RepServer version 10 procedure is still supported, but has been superseded by sp_setreptable and sp_setrepproc. It enables or disables replication for a table or stored procedure. sp_setreplicate sets the replication status of text, image or rawobject columns to do_not_replicate.

ASE RSSD Stored Procedures

The following stored procedures exist only in the RSSD (an ASE database):

rs_capacity TranDuration , FailDuration , SaveInterval , MatRows Helps you estimate stable queue size requirements.

rs_configure [config_variable [, value]] Displays or changes RepServer configuration variables. You can also change most RepServer configuration parameters using the configure replication server command

rs_delexception [transaction_id] Deletes a transaction from the RSSD exceptions log.

rs_fillcaptable RepDefName, InChRateI, InChRateD, InChRateU, OutChRateI, OutChRateD, OutChRateU, InTranRate, OutTranRate, DelFlag Records estimated transaction rates for an existing RepDef.

rs_helpclass [class_name] Displays error classes and function string classes and their primary RepServer.

rs_helpclassfstring class_name [, function_name] Displays the function-string information for function strings. Non-customized, inherited function strings are not displayed for derived function-string classes.

rs_helpdb [dataserver, database] Provides information about databases that RepServer knows about.

rs_helperror server_error_number [,'v'] Displays the RepServer error actions mapped to a given dataserver error number. Specify'v' to display a detailed listing.

rs_helpexception [transaction_id [, 'v']] Displays transactions in the exceptions log. Specifying 'v' displays the text of the transaction in a detailed listing.

rs_helpfstring rep_def [, function_name] Displays the parameters and function string text associated with a RepDef.

rs_helpfunc [rep_def [, function_name]] Displays information about functions available for a RepServer or a RepDef.

rs_helppartition [partition_name] Displays information about RepServer partitions.

rs_helppub [pub_name [, primary_dataserver [, primary_database [, article_name]]]] Displays information about publications or articles. The parameters act as a filter and can be specified independently. To get information about a specific article, specify: rs_helppub null, null, null, article_name.

rs_helppubsub [sub_name [, pub_name [, primary_dataserver [, primary_database [, replicate_dataserver [, replicate_dataser]]]] Displays information about publication subscriptions and article subscriptions. The

parameters act as a filter and can be specified independently. Use rs_helppub to determine all subscriptions for an article or a publication. Use

check subscription to get the most accurate report of subscription status.

rs_helprep [rep_def] Displays information about RepDefs.

rs helprepdb [dataserver, database]

Displays information about databases with subscriptions for RepDefs in the current RepServer.

rs_helproute [replication_server] Provides status information about routes.

rs_helpsub [sub_name [, rep_def [, dataserver, database]]] Displays information about subscriptions.

rs_helpuser [user]

Displays information about user login names known to a RepServer.

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rs_helpreptable database, [table_owner ,] table Displays information about RepDefs created against a primary table.

rs_init_erroractions new_error_class , template_class Initializes a newly created error class with error actions from an existing error class.

rs zeroltm dataserver, database

Resets the secundary truncation point value for a database to zero (0). Use this procedure after you have used the ASE command dbcc settrunc('ltm', 'ignore') to disable the secundary truncation point and truncate the logs, but before you restart the RepAgent.

Replication Server System Database (RSSD) Tables

The RSSD is an ASE database. It contains the following tables:

rs articles

Stores information about articles known to this RepServer.

rs classes

Stores the names of function string classes and error classes.

rs_columns

Contains information about the columns of RepDefs

rs_config

Holds configuration parameter values that can be modified using SQL in the RSSD.

rs databases

Contains database names known at a RepServer site; 'dbid' values start at 101.

(RS 12.0) rs datatype

Contains information about all user-defined datatypes in replication definitions.

rs diskpartitions

Stores information about the disk partitions used for stable message queues.

rs_erroractions Maps a data server error number to an action to be taken by a RepServer.

rs exceptscmd

Stores information used to retrieve the text of transactions from the exceptions log.

rs_exceptshdr

Stores information about failed transactions. The source and output commands of the transactions are stored in the system tables rs_exceptscmd and rs_systext. All rows for a transaction in rs_exceptscmd and rs_exceptshdr are identified by the column sys_trans_id.

rs exceptslast

Stores the origin ID, secondary queue ID, and associated information about the last logged transaction written into the exceptions log. When status=2, transactions are rejected due to message loss. When =1, in loss detetction mode; when =0, valid.

rs funcstrings

Stores the function strings associated with each function.

rs functions

Stores information about RepServer functions.

rs idnames

Stores the names of RepServers and databases known to the ID server. This table is relevant only at the ID Server site.

rs ids

Stores the last ID used for various types of objects.

rs lastcommit

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RepServer uses this table to find the last transaction committed from each data source. The rs lastcommit table is stored in each user database, not in the RSSD.

rs locater

Stores the last locater field received by stable queues from each of their senders, (i.e. last recorded scan point in the pdb log). For normal RepAgents, type="E"

rs maintusers

Stores the user login names and passwords which RepServer uses to access other RepServers and data servers.

rs_msgs

Stores the localized error messages used during installation and by some RepServer stored procedures.

rs objects

Stores RepDefs. For table RepDefs, objtype="R"; for function RepDefs, objtype="F".

rs ogid

Stores the last queue ID received from an origin site. Values for the "valid" column are the same as for rs_exceptslast.status .

rs publications

Stores information about publications known to this RepServer.

rs aueuemsa

When asked to dump its queues into the RSSD using sysadmin dump_queue, RepServer dumps queue entries into rs_queuemsg. If this table already has rows for a segment, they are deleted from the table before dumping the latest rows from that segment.

rs aueuemsatxt

Stores the command or text portion of messages in stable queues. Each stable queue entry is represented by one or more rows in this table. Multiple rows are needed when the length of data in the stable queue entry exceeds the maximum command field length of 255 bytes.

rs_queues

Stores information used by the RepServer stable queue manager and guaranteed delivery system to allow site recovery.

rs_recovery

Logs actions to be performed by RepServer upon recovery, in case of a failure.

rs repdbs

Contains information about all of the databases known by a primary RepServer. This information is stored when a subscription is entered for a database at a replicate site.

rs repobis Stores autocorrection flags for RepDefs at replicate RepServers.

rs routes

Stores routing information about network traffic. If the column dest rsid contains the same value as through_rsid, that row's status indicates the status of the local RepServer.

rs_routeversions

Stores version information about the RepServers on each end of a route.

rs rules

Stores subscription rules. There is one row for each term in a subscription WHERE clause, as well as for article WHERE-clauses.

rs seaments

RepServer uses raw disk space to store message data in the queues. Each 1Mb segment is allocated by only one queue, and contains 64*16Kb blocks. This table holds information about the allocation of each segment.

rs sites

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Stores the names of RepServers known at a site. For the IDserver, id=16777317; for other RepServers, higher than this.

rs_subscriptions

Stores information about subscriptions, triggers, and fragments.

rs systext

Stores the text of repeating groups for various other tables such as rs_funcstrings.

rs threads

RepServer uses the information in this table to detect deadlocks and to perform transaction serialization between parallel DSI threads. An entry is updated in this table each time a transaction is started and more than 1 DSI thread is defined for a connection. The rs_threads table is stored in each user database, not in the RSSD.

(RS 12.0) rs_translation

Contains information about datatype translation between replication servers.

rs_users

Stores a row for each user with access to the RepServer. In order to log into RepServer, the login name must be in rs_users.

rs version

Stores version number information for the replication system. At local RepServers, only the local version number and the system-wide version number are stored. At the ID Server, version information is stored for all RepServers in the replication system.

rs whereclauses

Stores information about WHERE-clauses used in articles known to this RepServer. The actual WHERE-clause information is stored in rs_rules.

Replication Server System Functions

Replication Server System Functions are involved in the mapping of primary transactions to replicated transactions. Custom function strings may be defined for these functions.

rs_begin

Begins a transaction in a data server.

rs_check_repl

Checks to see if a table is marked for replication.

rs commit

Commits a transaction in a data server.

rs_datarow_for_writetext

Provides an image of the data row associated with a text or image column updated with the Transact-SQL writetext command.

rs delete

Deletes a row in a replicated table.

rs_dumpdb

Initiates a coordinated database dump.

rs dumptran

Initiates a coordinated transaction log dump.

rs_get_charset

Returns the character set used by a data server. This function enables RepServer to print a warning message if the character set is not what is expected.

rs get lastcommit

Returns rows from the rs_lastcommit system table.

rs aet sortorder

Returns the sort order used by a data server. This function enables RepServer to print a warning message if the sort order is not what is expected.

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rs get textptr

Retrieves the description for a text or image column.

rs_get_thread_seq @rs_id

Returns the current sequence number for the specified entry in the rs_threads system table. @rs_id is a number of int datatype. It is the ID of the entry to be checked. It matches the value of the id column in thers threads system table.

rs_get_thread_seq_noholdlock @rs_id

Returns the current sequence number for the specified entry in the rs_threads system table, using the noholdlock option.

rs_initialize_threads @rs_id

Sets the sequence of each entry in the rs_threads system table to 0

rs insert

Inserts a single row into a table in a replicate database.

rs_marker @rs_api

Passes its parameter to RepServer as an independent command. Warning: if used to simulate atomic materialization as described in the Replication Server Administration Guide, be careful not to make any syntax errors in the "@rs_api" argument.

rs repl off

Specifies whether transactions executed by the maintenance user in the ASE database are replicated.

rs rollback

Rolls back a transaction. This function is reserved for future use.

rs select

Selects rows for subscription materialization from the primary copy of a replicated table and, for subscription dematerialization, from the replicate copy of the table.

rs_select_with_lock

Selects rows for subscription materialization from the primary copy of a replicated table, using a holdlock to maintain serial consistency.

rs set isolation level3

Turns on transaction isolation level 3 locking in ASE.

rs_setproxy

Modifies the login name in a data server, using the ASE set proxy/set session authorization command.

rs textptr init

Allocates a text pointer for a text or image column.

rs_triggers_reset

Turns off triggers in the ASE database.

rs truncate

Truncates a table in a replicate database.

rs update

Updates a single row in a table in a replicate database.

rs_update_threads @rs_id, @rs_seq

Updates the sequence number for the specified entry in the **rs_threads** system table. @*rs_id* is the ID of the entry to be updated. @*rs_seq* is the new sequence number for the entry.

rs_usedb

Modifies the database context in a data server.

rs writetext Modifies text or image data for a column.

Troubleshooting Tips

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When troubleshooting replications problems, check the following:

- Always check the RepServer errorlog for any error messages. The errorlog location can be found using **admin log_name**. Run admin who to determine if any replication threads are down; for a warm standby, also run admin logical_status.
- When having problems with RepAgents, check the ASE errorlog for error messages.
- Check the RSSD transaction log is not full; ensure the RSSD accessible using the RSSD server logins. The RSSD location is shown by admin rssd_name.
- Check the stable devices are not full (admin disk_space or rs_helppartition).
- When finding error messages, look up the error numbers in the files in the ./doc subdirectory in the RepServer installation directory
- When nothing else works, try restarting RepServers, RepAgents or ASE servers -- sometimes this helps!
- For more troubleshooting tips, see the Replication Server Troubleshooting Guide or check out http://www.sypron.nl/rs_tips.html

<u>RepServer resources on the web</u> Here's an arbitrary selection of some RepServer-related WWW links:

The Sybase FAQ: http://www.isug.com/Sybase_FAQ/REP

Various RepServer tips: http://perso.wanadoo.fr/dbadevil/ On-line Sybase manuals (including downloadable manuals in PDF format): http://www.sybase.com/support/manuals/

RepServer newsgroups exist at Sybase's own news server: forums.sybase.com RepServer Tips & Tricks: http://www.sypron.nl/rs_tips.html

This QuickRef Guide can be found at :http://www.sypron.nl/rs_qref.html

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