

# Release Bulletin

## Sybase® Replication Server® 15.0.1 for Linux

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## 1. Accessing current release bulletin information

A more recent version of this release bulletin may be available on the Web. To check for critical product or document information added after the product release, use the Sybase Product Manuals Web site.

### v Accessing release bulletins at the Sybase Product Manuals Web site

- 1 Go to Product Manuals at <http://www.sybase.com/support/manuals/>.
- 2 Select a product and language and click Go.
- 3 Select a product version from the Document Set list.
- 4 Select the Release Bulletins link.
- 5 From the list of individual documents, select the link to the release bulletin for your platform. You can either download the PDF version or browse the document online.

## 2. Product summary

Enclosed is Replication Server® version 15.0.1, which is compatible with the following platform and operating system configurations:

Linux:

- RHEL release 3 update 3:
  - kernel 2.4.21-20.EL
  - kernel-hugemem 2.4.21-20.EL (for Large Memory Support (LMS))
  - glibc-2.3.2-95.27
  - gcc 3.2.3 or later
  - compatlibstdc++-7.3-2.96.128
- SLES 9 – patch level 2

Linux distribution vendors often provide errata packages, allowing the user to upgrade and fix bugs within a release. Contact your Linux distributor for more information.

For best performance, use JRE version 1.4.2.03 or higher.

If your operating system requires patches, install them before you install Replication Server components.

For a complete list of patches, contact your operating system representative. Do not use a patch that is earlier than the version suggested for your operating system. Use the patch recommended by the operating system vendor even if it supersedes the patch listed.

For a complete list of supported operating systems on each platform, see the Sybase platform certification site at <http://certification.sybase.com/ucr/search.do>

### 2.1 Replication Server

For details about the new features in Replication Server version 15.0.1, see *What's New in Replication Server Version 15.0.1?*

### 2.2 Replication Manager

Replication Manager (RM), a plug-in to Sybase Central™, Java Edition, is a component in Replication Server 15.0 and later. For details about the new features in Replication Manager 15.0.1, see *What's New in Replication Server Version 15.0.1?*

## 2.3 Replication Monitoring Services

Replication Monitoring Services (RMS) is a component in Replication Server 15.0 and later. RMS is the new middle-management monitoring layer that provides monitoring services for large and complex replication environments. For details about RMS, see *What's New in Replication Server Version 15.0.1?* and *Replication Server 15.0.1 Administration Guide Volume 1*.

## 2.4 IPv6 support

Replication Server on Linux RHEL 3.0 supports Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6).

## 2.5 Optional features

This section lists the optional features available for Replication Server. To purchase any of these licensed options, contact your Sybase sales representative.

### 2.5.1 Replication Agent and Enterprise Connect Data Access

Sybase Replication Agent™ and Enterprise Connect™ Data Access are available as a product called Replication Server Options, which is available separately from Replication Server. You must already have Replication Server to obtain Replication Server Options.

You can use Replication Server Options with Replication Server for bidirectional replication across distributed, heterogeneous systems to enable different operational and decision-support tasks.

The Replication Server Options are compatible with the same platform and operating system configurations with which Enterprise Connect Data Access 12.6 and Sybase Replication Agent 15.0 are compatible. For specific hardware and software requirements, see the documentation for Enterprise Connect Data Access 12.6 and Sybase Replication Agent 15.0.

There are four Replication Server Options available. Each option contains licenses for accessing data only in the specified data source: Informix, Microsoft, Oracle, or DB2 UDB.

In addition to the two components, each option contains an Adaptive Server® Enterprise (ASE) and an EBF for jConnect™ for JDBC™.

## 3. Special installation instructions

This section includes special installation instructions that are not in the installation guide for your platform.

### 3.1 Selecting an installation directory for Replication Server

You must choose carefully whether to install Replication Server in its own product directory or in a directory with your other Sybase products. In some cases, installing Replication Server on top of existing Sybase applications can adversely and irreversibly affect those applications.

*Do not* install Replication Server 15.0.1 in an existing Sybase installation directory if that directory contains these Sybase products:

- Replication Server version 12.5 or earlier
- Adaptive Server version 12.5.0.x or earlier
- Open Client/Server version 12.5.0 or earlier
- OpenSwitch version 12.5 or earlier
- DirectConnect™ version 12.5 or earlier

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**Warning!** Installing Replication Server 15.0.1 on top of any of these products incapacitates older versions of these products, and can also adversely affect other Sybase products. You cannot reverse this with an uninstallation.

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#### 3.1.1 Installing Replication Server in an existing directory

Installing Replication Server in an existing directory that contains other Sybase products may result in Replication Server and other Sybase products not working correctly. Before you install Replication Server in an existing directory, take note of the following:

- You can install Replication Server 15.0.1 in an existing Sybase installation directory if that directory contains Adaptive Server Enterprise 15.0.1 or Open Client/Server™ version 15.0. You may be asked if you want to install older *locales* or *charset* files on top of newer files. To ensure that you have the latest version of these files, select “No to all.”

- Replication Server 15.0.1 includes a new version of Replication Server and many of its supporting components. Other Sybase products may contain earlier versions of the same components. Installing Replication Server 15.0.1 into the same directory containing these existing products, will not impact the products.

However, if you are using other Sybase products, installing Replication Server 15.0.1 may cause some environment variables to change. You will have to reset the environment variables in order to make the individual products work.

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**Note** Replication Server 15.0.1 may be installed in the same directory as Adaptive Server Enterprise (ASE) and OCS versions 12.5.1 or later.

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- Installing Replication Server 15.0.1 on top of Replication Server 15.0 replaces version 15.0. If you need to revert to version 15.0, completely back up the directory structure of Replication Server 15.0 prior to installing version 15.0.1. For more information, see “Special upgrade and downgrade instructions” on page 8.
- You can install Replication Server 15.0.1 on top of Replication Server 12.6, in the same `$$SYBASE` directory. Installing version 15.0.1 on top of Replication Server 12.6 creates a duplicate entry in the interfaces file for `SAMPLE_RS`, which is the sample Replication Server. `rs_init` warns you about the duplicate entry and uses the first instance of `SAMPLE_RS` found in the interfaces file.

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**Note** During an install of Replication Server 15.0.1 on top of Replication Server 12.6, you may be asked if you wish to install a later version of JRE over the existing one. Select Yes at this prompt.

You may also be asked if you wish to install older *locales* files on top of newer ones. Select “No to all” at this prompt.

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- If you have installed Replication Server 15.0.1 and Replication Server 12.6 in the same directory, Sybase recommends that you do not uninstall either version from this common directory.

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**Note** If you choose to uninstall either version, you may be asked if you wish to delete files that have been modified since installation. Select “No to all” at this prompt.

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### 3.1.2 Installing Replication Server in a unique directory

You can install Replication Server in a unique directory without affecting existing Sybase environment variables. Follow the standard installation instructions in the *Replication Server Installation Guide for Linux*

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**Note** When you install Replication Server in a unique installation directory, you must maintain two interfaces files—one interfaces file for Replication Server components and another for your other Sybase applications.

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## 3.2 Co-existing with earlier versions of SySAM

Replication Server version 15.0.1 uses a newer version of the Sybase Software Asset Management System (SySAM) licensing technology and an updated license format. On any machine, you can have only one instance of a license server running. You must make some adjustments to use earlier versions of Sybase products with Replication Server 15.0.1. To make these adjustments, see Appendix F, “Migrating the License Server from SySAM 1.0 to SySAM 2.0” in the *Sybase Software Asset Management User’s Guide*.

## 3.3 Other sources of installation information

This section describes Replication Server installation and configuration issues. For more information, see:

- *Replication Server Installation Guide for Linux*, which contains instructions for installing Replication Server version 15.0.1.

If you are using Adaptive Server Enterprise, see the sections of *Adaptive Server Enterprise Installation Guide for Linux* that are related to using Replication Server and to upgrading replicated databases.

- *Replication Server Configuration Guide for UNIX*, which contains general information about installing Replication Server and instructions for using `rs_init` to configure Replication Server.

## 4. Special upgrade and downgrade instructions

The *Replication Server Configuration Guide for UNIX* contains detailed upgrade and downgrade instructions. Sybase strongly recommends that you read this information before you upgrade or downgrade Replication Server.

This section documents special upgrade and downgrade instructions in Replication Server version 15.0.1.

### 4.1 Preparing to upgrade

For upgrading, the Replication Server version should be 12.0 or later and the Adaptive Server containing the RSSD should be 12.5 or later. Upgrading from any earlier version requires an intermediate upgrade.

### 4.2 Upgrading Replication Server 15.0 to version 15.0.1

When you install Replication Server version 15.0.1 on top of version 15.0, version 15.0.1 replaces version 15.0. For this reason, Sybase recommends that you back up your current release directory before installing Replication Server 15.0.1.

#### v **Upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1**

To upgrade Replication Server 15.0 to version 15.0.1:

- 1 Shut down all Replication Servers.
- 2 Back up your replication system.
- 3 If you are installing Replication Server 15.0.1 on top of version 15.0, back up the current Sybase release directory referenced by `$$SYBASE`.

If you are installing Replication Server 15.0.1 in a directory other than the existing directory, the `interfaces` file must be accessible. For more information, see the Replication Server installation guide for your platform.

- 4 Install Replication Server 15.0.1. See the Replication Server installation guide for your platform.



- 5 Restart all Replication Servers.
- 6 Update the stored procedure `rs_helpfstring`. See “Update `rs_helpfstring` after upgrading Replication Server 15.0 to Replication Server 15.0.1” on page 13.
- 7 Update `rs_statcounters`. See “Update `rs_statcounters` after upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1” on page 12.

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**Note** When upgrading from Replication Server 15.0 you need not upgrade the user database and the RSSD, or commit a local site to a new version level.

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### 4.3 Upgrading Replication Server 12.6 or earlier to version 15.0.1

Follow the instructions in the Replication Server configuration guide for your platform to upgrade Replication Server 12.6 or earlier to Replication Server 15.0.1.

After upgrading Replication Server, upgrade the RSSD database table `rs_statcounters`. See “Update `rs_statcounters` after upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1” on page 12.

### 4.4 Upgrading route versions

If you have a primary Replication Server version 12.0 that you plan to upgrade to version 15.0.1 and you have a replicate Replication Server already upgraded to version 15.0.1, use the Upgrade Route option in RM instead of the `rs_fast_route_upgrade` stored procedure to upgrade the related route to the replicate Replication Server.

In RM, right-click on the Replication Server object containing the route to be upgraded, select the Upgrade Route option, select the route to be upgraded from the dialog box that appears, and select Upgrade.

A route version should reflect the lower value between the site version of your primary Replication Server and the site version of your replicate Replication Server. For example, if the site version of your primary Replication Server is 12.5 and the site version of your replicate Replication Server is 12.0, the route version should be 1200.

However, the version of `rs_fast_route_upgrade` provided in Replication Server version 12.0 and earlier erroneously sets the route version to the higher value. For this reason, the earlier version of `rs_fast_route_upgrade` automatically upgrades the route version to 1500 even if your primary Replication Server has not yet been upgraded to version 15.0.1.

If this applies to your replication system and you are upgrading to Replication Server version 15.0.1, the upgrade script stops and tells you to fix the route version before upgrading to version 15.0.1.

## 4.5 Updating LTL version

When the RepAgent connects to the Replication Server, it returns a Log Transfer Language (LTL) version.

When you upgrade to Replication Server version 15.0.1, the RepAgents are still connected to Replication Server using the older negotiated LTL version. Restart the RepAgents to use the new LTL version.

## 4.6 Downgrading Replication Server 15.0.1 to version 15.0

### v Downgrading to Replication Server 15.0

To downgrade Replication Server 15.0.1 to version 15.0:

- 1 Before downgrading to version 15.0, check the Replication Server configuration parameters. See “Adjust Replication Server configuration parameter values before downgrading from Replication Server 15.0.1” on page 13 for more information.
- 2 Shut down all Replication Servers.
- 3 Back up your system. If you are downgrading to a directory other than the existing Sybase release directory, verify that the appropriate interfaces file is accessible. For more information on the interfaces file, see the Replication Server installation guide for your platform.
- 4 If Replication Server 15.0.1 is installed on top of Replication Server 15.0, restore the Sybase release directory backup created during the upgrade to version 15.0.1. Otherwise, set the UNIX environment variable `$$SYBASE` to the Replication Server 15.0 Sybase release directory.
- 5 Restart all Replication Servers.
- 6 Update `rs_statcounters`. See “Update `rs_statcounters` after downgrading Replication Server version 15.0.1 to version 15.0” on page 12.

## 4.7 Downgrading Replication Server 15.0.1 to version 12.6 or earlier

Follow the instructions in the Replication Server configuration guide for your platform to downgrade Replication Server 15.0.1 to Replication Server 12.6 or earlier.

No further steps are required to downgrade the RSSD database table `rs_statcounters`.

## 5. New and changed functionality

For detailed descriptions of the new features and functionality in Replication Server 15.0.1, see *What's New in Replication Server Version 15.0.1?*

## 6. Known problems

This section documents known problems in Replication Server version 15.0.1. These problems are identified with Change Request (CR) numbers, to which you can refer when contacting Sybase Technical Support. Workarounds are provided where available.

### 6.1 Problem report location

This section identifies where problem reports are located.

#### Replication Server

Open and fixed problem reports for Replication Server software are in the `$$SYBASE/$SYBASE_REP/install/SPR` directory. The following files contain problem reports for Replication Server version 15.0.1:

- `spr_rs` – open problem reports
- `cpr_rs` – closed problem reports

#### RM

Open and fixed problem reports for the RM are in the `$$SYBASE/RMP-15_0/install/SPR` directory.

The following files contain problem reports for this version of the RM for Sybase Central:

- `spr_rmp` – open problem reports
- `cpr_rmp` – closed problem reports

#### RMS

Open and fixed problem reports for the RMS that interfaces with the RM are in the `$$SYBASE/ua/plugins/com.sybase.rms/install/SPR` directory. The following file contains the problem reports for RMS:

- *spr\_rms* – open problem reports
- *cpr\_rms* – closed problem reports

## 6.2 Highlighted problems with Replication Server

This section describes problems with Replication Server.

### 6.2.1 *admin config* needs *isql* 12.5 or later to execute

**[CR #455689]** *admin config* needs to be executed in *isql* version 12.5 or later. Replication Server shuts down when you use an earlier version of *isql*.

*Workaround:* Use *isql* version 12.5 or later to execute *admin config*.

### 6.2.2 Memory corruption in Replication Server during link list processing

**[CR #454798]** A memory corruption may occur when accessing the “sync” element link list. The Replication Server stack trace references the `ll_del()` function.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.2.3 Update *rs\_statcounters* after upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1

**[CR #454524]** After you upgrade to Replication Server 15.0.1, using *rs\_dump\_stats* and *rs\_helpcounter* results in missing counters, or incorrect counter labels and descriptions. This is caused by missing or out-of-date rows in the RSSD database table *rs\_statcounters*.

*Workaround:* Update *rs\_statcounters*. After upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1, execute *rs\_1501\_rssd\_upgrade.sql* in the RSSD database. You can download *rs\_1501\_rssd\_upgrade.sql* from CodeXchange on Sybase Developer Network at <http://www.sybase.com/developer/downloads/codexchange>. The file is in the *RepServer* project, under *Administration Tools/Scripts*.

### 6.2.4 Update *rs\_statcounters* after downgrading Replication Server version 15.0.1 to version 15.0

**[CR #454524]** The RSSD database table *rs\_statcounters* is not properly updated when downgrading Replication Server 15.0.1 to version 15.0.

*Workaround:* Update `rs_statcounters`. After downgrading to version 15.0, execute `rs_1501_rssd_downgrade.sql` in the RSSD database. You can get `rs_1501_rssd_downgrade.sql` from CodeXchange on Sybase Developer Network at <http://www.sybase.com/developer/downloads/codexchange>. The file is in the *RepServer* project, under *Administration Tools/Scripts*.

### 6.2.5 Update `rs_helpstring` after upgrading Replication Server 15.0 to Replication Server 15.0.1

**[CR #454523]** `rs_helpstring` is not properly updated when upgrading from Replication Server 15.0 to Replication Server 15.0.1.

*Workaround:* Update `rs_helpstring`. To do this, execute `rs_procs_ase.sql` if you are using RSSD. If you are using ERSSD, execute `rs_procs_asa.sql`. These scripts are found under `SYBASE/REP-15_0/scripts`.

If you are using ERSSD, you must execute `rs_procs_asa.sql` as “dbo.” For security reasons, “dbo” is not allowed to connect to the ERSSD by default. To allow “dbo” to connect to the ERSSD, connect to the ERSSD as the Replication Server primary user, and issue the grant connect command to set a password for “dbo”:

```
grant connect to dbo identified by newpassword
```

After you execute `rs_procs_asa.sql`, it is recommended that you disallow “dbo” to connect to the ERSSD by removing the password for “dbo”. Connect to the ERSSD as the Replication Server primary user, and issue the grant connect command:

```
grant connect to dbo
```

### 6.2.6 Adjust Replication Server configuration parameter values before downgrading from Replication Server 15.0.1

**[CR #454522]** If you increase the values of `exec_sqm_write_request_limit`, `md_sqm_write_request_limit`, and `sub_sqm_write_request_limit` after upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1, a problem may occur when you downgrade from Replication Server 15.0.1 to Replication Server 15.0 or earlier.

*Workaround:* Adjust `exec_sqm_write_request_limit`, `md_sqm_write_request_limit`, and `sub_sqm_write_request_limit` to their pre-15.0.1 default values before downgrading from Replication Server 15.0.1:

Configuration parameter	Pre- 15.0.1 default value
<code>exec_sqm_write_request_limit</code>	16,384
<code>md_sqm_write_request_limit</code>	100,000

Configuration parameter	Pre- 15.0.1 default value
sub_sqm_write_request_limit	32,768

### 6.2.7 Error uninstalling Replication Server 15.0.1

**[CR #453332]** You cannot uninstall Replication Server 15.0.1 when you use a JVM different from the JVM you used during the installation of the release.

*Workaround:* To uninstall Replication Server 15.0.1, use the same JVM used during the installation of the release. For instance, if `-is:javahome` JVM was used at installation, then `-is:javahome` JVM must be specified in order to uninstall the release.

### 6.2.8 Some subfeatures not selected when using console mode to install or uninstall Replication Server features

**[CR #453332]** If you use console mode to select the Replication Server features you want to install or uninstall, some subfeatures are not automatically selected.

*Workaround:* After you select a feature, manually verify that the subfeatures you want to install or uninstall are also selected.

### 6.2.9 Creating a replication definition with wrong column order when dynamic SQL is turned on may result in replication error

**[CR #452899]** If the column order of the new replication definition created to update the internal replication definition—warm standby or MSA—does not match the column order of the table definition, and the dynamic SQL is turned on, data may replicate to the wrong columns.

*Workaround:* Suspend and then resume connection to clear the error.

### 6.2.10 Mini rollback in a large transaction may shut down DSI

**[CR #452894]** If a large transaction is replicating to a warm standby database, and the DSI is fast, the commands in a mini rollback section may be applied to the standby database and then rolled back. These commands may cause errors at the standby database and cause DSI to shut down.

*Workaround:* Resume the DSI connection to clear out the error.

### 6.2.11 Parallel DSI threads processing *text* and *image* columns may cause application deadlock with ASE

**[CR #452806]** An application deadlock involving Replication Server and ASE may occur when Replication Server is configured to use parallel DSI while applying transactions to a table containing text and image columns.

*Workaround:* Suspend and resume the DSI connection. If the DSI thread does not suspend, restart the Replication Server.

### 6.2.12 Interrupting a user thread holding a lock causes Replication Server to terminate

**[CR #445606]** If you use Ctrl+C to interrupt a Replication Server thread suspended due to a deadlock, the Replication Server terminates immediately.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.2.13 Dropping a table-level replication definition with a database-level subscription may result in an application deadlock

**[CR #442701]** When you drop multiple table-level replication definitions, and a database-level subscription exists, an application deadlock involving the Adaptive Server Enterprise and the Replication Server may occur.

*Workaround:* Use any one of the following:

- Drop the database-level subscription before dropping the table-level replication definitions.
- Drop each table-level replication definition in a separate isql session.
- Use ASA instead of ASE to host the RSSD.

### 6.2.14 *rs\_init* reports missing *rs\_dump\_stats* when upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1

**[CR #449991]** If the *rs\_dump\_stats* procedure is loaded in the Replication Server when you upgrade to Replication Server 15.0.1, *rs\_init* cannot drop *rs\_dump\_stats*, and reports that *rs\_dump\_stats* is not found.

*Workaround:* Manually drop the *rs\_dump\_stats* procedure before upgrading to Replication Server 15.0.1.

### 6.2.15 Language modules not listed

**[CR #419838]** When you select Full Install, the French, Chinese, and Japanese language modules are not shown in the list of Replication Server language modules. These languages are installed as part of a Full Install even though they are not listed by InstallShield.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.2.16 Replication Server does not preprocess table names qualified with database name

**[CR #332068]** When you use the Adaptive Server plug-in to issue data definition language (DDL), the plug-in uses fully a qualified identifier in the DDL. If you use multisite availability (MSA) to replicate this DDL, and the replicate database does not have the same name as the primary database, MSA cannot apply the DDL, and Data Server Interface is suspended.

*Workaround:* Do not use the Adaptive Server plug-in for Sybase Central to create tables for use in this environment, and do not use fully qualified table names when using MSA to replicate DDL.

### 6.2.17 Adaptive Server row-level locking may cause System Table Services cache problems

**[CR #276758]** When using Adaptive Server row-level locking for System Table Services (STS) tables, Replication Server can report that an STS object does not exist when in fact it does exist in the RSSD. This happens because with Adaptive Server row-level locking, when there are two concurrent transactions, one transaction deletes and then inserts a row, while the other transaction tries to select the same row. When this occurs, the select command fails to retrieve the row.

*Workaround:* You can either restart Replication Server, or use the following command for the appropriate table when it has a row that exists in the RSSD but is missing from the cache:

```
sysadmin stscache, fillcache, tablename
```



### 6.2.18 DSI error 5147 for replication definitions with several text columns if replication definitions do not allow NULL

**[CR #270741]** If you create a replication definition with three or more text columns that does not allow the NULL value, the DSI stops responding, and generates error 5147 if you replicate a row from a table that allows the NULL value.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.2.19 Effects of *alter replication definition* not immediate

**[CR #235302]** If rows are inserted too quickly after an alter replication definition command completes, the first few rows may not recognize the changes made by the alter replication definition command.

*Workaround:* Before inserting rows, wait at least 60 seconds after an alter replication definition command completes.

### 6.2.20 Decimal with exponent incorrectly translated

**[CR #233839]** When using a user-defined datatype that defines a decimal type, if the decimal data contains an exponent, when replicating that column to a column of integer type, it may be incorrectly translated. For example, 5.62E3 is translated to 6 instead of 5620.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.2.21 DSI shuts down if transaction owner and standby maintenance user have same name

**[CR #219525]** In a warm standby configuration, the Replication Server shuts down the Data Server Interface (DSI) with an error if the data definition language (DDL) transaction owner and warm standby maintenance user have the same name.

*Workaround:* When you are configuring a warm standby replication environment, do not create the standby database maintenance user with the same user name as the DDL transaction owner.

### 6.2.22 DSI shuts down

**[CR #215616]** Replication Server reports an error and the DSI shuts down when:

- A transaction involving the update of the text columns is replicated.

- One table with text columns has multiple replication definitions.
- Replication definitions are subscribed to by multiple tables in the same replicate database.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.2.23 *delete* command for multiple rows may not replicate correctly

**[CR #203009]** A delete command that affects multiple rows at the primary database may not replicate successfully at the replicate database if the primary database contains self-referential foreign-key constraints.

*Workaround:* Use any one of the following:

- Use stored procedure replication.
- Drop the constraint on the replicate table.
- Do not use bulk deletes on tables with self-referential foreign-key constraints.

### 6.2.24 Cannot start Replication Server without **-S** flag

**[CR #65722]** You cannot use the `DSL` environment variable to specify the Replication Server name. Replication Server stops responding after it prints the message “Contacting the idserver for a siteid.”

*Workaround:* You must specify the Replication Server name with the `-S` flag on the `repserver` command line.

## 6.3 RM problems

This section discusses problems with RM.

### 6.3.1 RM does not display the parameters for non-Sybase stored procedures

**[CR #454375]** If the interface server is a Replication Agent or a Mirror Replication Agent from a version earlier than 12.6 ESD#6, RM does not display the parameters for non-Sybase stored procedures in the stored procedure Properties dialog and the Create Function Replication Definition dialog.

*Workaround:* Upgrade the Replication Agent or Mirror Replication Agent to version 12.6 ESD#6 or to version 15.0.

### 6.3.2 RM may not accurately reflect status in a three-tier environment

**[CR #418128]** When the Adaptive Server in a three-tier management environment is in a SUSPECT state, it is not reflected in the Tree view and Details view of the RM. In the Properties dialog of the Details view, the status of the Adaptive Server displays as ACTIVE.

*Workaround:* None.

### 6.3.3 RM does not report reason for a secondary RMS with SUSPECT state

**[CR #418026]** When you add a secondary RMS under a primary RMS, and the secondary RMS status is reported as SUSPECT, RM does not immediately report any information about this in the Reason column of the List view or in the Details pane of the suspect RMS.

*Workaround:*

- In the Details pane, right-click the suspect RMS and select Properties. The reason for the SUSPECT state displays.
- Wait for the duration of the Monitoring Interval and navigate out of and then back into the Details pane. The Reason column is now populated with information. The default Monitoring Interval is 60 seconds.

### 6.3.4 Status not updated when monitoring is turned on

**[CR #402702]** When you enable monitoring in RM, the status of active and standby logical connections is not updated automatically in the Details pane of the Sybase Central window.

*Workaround:* Perform a manual refresh to update the status. Do this from the Sybase Central main menu, selecting either View | Refresh Folder or View | Refresh All.

### 6.3.5 Cannot specify owner and password when creating subscriptions

**[CR# 386456]** When you create a subscription, RM does not allow you to specify a login and password. You have to use the same "sa" login and password that RM uses for adding servers to the replication environment.

If you are using atomic materialization, the "sa" login and password must be the same as that used on the Adaptive Server data server, or atomic materialization will not work. This restriction does not apply when you create a database subscription as it does not include the atomic materialization option.

*Workaround:* Use the same "sa" login and password for creating subscriptions in RM that you use for adding servers, and that you use for the Adaptive Server.

### 6.3.6 Configure Replication wizard may not work under certain circumstances

**[CR# 371403]** Using the Configure Replication wizard to set up a replicate database where the primary database is an existing warm-standby logical connection does not result in a working replication environment.

*Workaround:* Use RM to create each individual component in the replication environment such as the connection, the database replication definition, and the database subscription.

### 6.3.7 Plug-in must be unregistered after uninstallation

**[CR #337408]** The uninstallation process for RM does not unregister the plug-in from Sybase Central. When you log in to Sybase Central and unregister the plug-in, Sybase Central displays an error when you restart your machine that says it cannot find the RM.

*Workaround:* You can ignore the message. Start Sybase Central and unregister the RM plug-in.

### 6.3.8 New active connection suspends when created

**[CR #336879]** When you create a logical connection from an existing physical connection, the Replication Agent on the active connection becomes suspended, and you see an error in the Replication Server log that the -W warm standby option must be set in the active database's Replication Agent.

*Workaround:* The plug-in correctly configures the Replication Agent properties for the database, but you must manually resume the active connection after creating the logical connection.

## 6.4 RMS problems

This section discusses problems with RMS.

### 6.4.1 RMS cannot start RepAgent if *sp\_addserver* is not run on Adaptive Server

**[CR #404196]** RMS cannot start RepAgent if you have not yet defined the name of the Adaptive Server with the *sp\_addserver* system procedure.

*Workaround:* Before you use RMS to start RepAgent, run `sp_addserver` on Adaptive Server to define the name of the local server:

```
sp_addserver pds01, local
```

where `pds01` is the name of the Adaptive Server on which you want to run RepAgent and `local` is the class parameter value, since the Adaptive Server is the local server. See Chapter 1, “System Procedures,” in the *Adaptive Server Reference Manual: Procedures* for more information on `sp_addserver`.

## 6.5 Sybase Central problems

This section discusses problems with Sybase Central.

### 6.5.1 Heterogeneous data servers are incorrectly listed as available in a three-tier environment

**[CR#455172]** The Add Server wizard incorrectly displays that you can add Oracle DBMS, Microsoft SQL Server, and IBM Universal Database to the RMS in a three-tier environment.

*Workaround:* Oracle DBMS, Microsoft SQL Server, and IBM Universal Database are not supported in a three-tier environment. Do not choose these servers.

### 6.5.2 Sybase Central stops responding when command log fills up

**[CR #387922]** Sybase Central provides a central log where each plug-in can write error messages and details about its execution. RM uses this Sybase Central command logging feature to provide a log of all commands sent by RM to managed servers.

If command logging is turned on, commands at every monitoring interval are written to the Sybase Central log. Sybase Central does not limit the number of entries in the log, the log can fill up and cause Sybase Central to stop responding.

*Workaround:* Monitor the log closely. You may archive the log or delete entries in the log to clear the memory.

### 6.5.3 Users must have write privileges to home directory

**[CR# 343973]** Sybase Central writes a registry file in the user's home directory, and uses this registry file to store environment information from RM. Users must have write privileges on their home directory, or Sybase Central cannot save the environment information.

*Workaround:* Ensure that each user has write privileges to his or her home directory.

## 6.6 Highlighted *rs\_init* problems

This section discusses problems with *rs\_init*, the Replication Server configuration utility.

### 6.6.1 Cannot use korean/eucksc character set to configure Replication Server with us\_english/iso\_1

**[CR #415971]** Replication Server does not start if you use korean with the euckcs character set on the *rs\_init* command line, `rs_init -l korean -c euckcs`, to configure us\_english with the iso\_1 character set for Replication Server.

*Workaround:* Use korean with the euckcs character set on the *rs\_init* command line and configure Replication Server for korean and euckcs.

### 6.6.2 *rs\_init* does not update interfaces file automatically

**[CR #171729]** When attempting to add a Replication Server entry to the interfaces file through *rs\_init* using a resource file, a message displays indicating that the interfaces file has been updated. However, the file is not updated, and Replication Server does not start.

*Workaround:* Create the entry in the interfaces file manually before using *rs\_init* with the resource file.

### 6.6.3 *rs\_init* does not correct run files

**[CR #79366]** *rs\_init* does not correct previously generated run files as part of upgrades and downgrades.

*Workaround:* Edit the run files manually.

### 6.6.4 Incompatible character set specification using *rs\_init*

**[CR #68642]** *rs\_init* does not prevent you from creating a configuration file using an *RS\_charset* parameter that is incompatible with the character set defined in the *CONFIG\_charset* parameter. For example, if the configuration file defines an English character set but the *CONFIG\_charset* parameter is set to a Japanese character set, the installation proceeds but behaves unpredictably.

*Workaround:* Use compatible character sets.

## 6.7 Unsupported operations

The following Adaptive Server operations may cause incorrect replicated data:

- Using the `truncate table` command on a primary table does not truncate replicated tables, because the operation is not logged.
- Disabling the secondary truncation point with the `dbcc settrunc` command and then truncating the log can result in lost transactions at replicate databases.
- Replication Server does not support nested transactions within replicated stored procedures.

When replication is enabled for a stored procedure using `sp_setrepproc` or `sp_setreplicate`, Adaptive Server always executes the stored procedure within a transaction. If you have not explicitly executed the replicated stored procedure within a transaction, Adaptive Server places an implicit `begin transaction` at the start of the procedure.

If the replicated stored procedure contains nested transaction commands, such as `begin transaction`, `commit transaction`, or `rollback transaction`, errors may result when you execute the procedure. For example, a `rollback transaction` command rolls back to the start of the stored procedure, rather than to the nested `begin transaction` command that was the intended rollback point.

- Data inserted into a primary table using an unlogged bulk copy is not replicated.
- In a database you cannot replicate multiple tables that have the same name but different owners. For example, if a database contains two tables, `dbo.authors` and `user3.authors`, Replication Server can distribute only one of them.

- Sybase recommends that you make the database owner own all tables in the primary database, and that you make the database owner or maintenance user own all tables in the replicate database. If the database owner or maintenance user does not own the table in the replicate database, use user-defined function strings for insert, update, and delete operations.
- To use the atomic method of subscription materialization:
  - The user who enters the create subscription command or the database owner must own the primary table, or you must use user-defined function strings for select operations at the primary database.
  - If the database owner or maintenance user does not own the replicate table, use user-defined function strings for select operations at the replicate database. If the owner of the replicate table is different from the owner of the primary table, create a unique function-string by using a distinct function string class.
- Client applications should not update the primary-key columns in multiple rows of a replicated table in such a way that a key can duplicate the key of another row. This may result in duplicate rows or errors at replicate databases.

For example, if `pcol` is the primary key for the `reptbl` table, the following command may cause errors or incorrect data at the replicate database:

```
update reptbl
  set pcol = pcol + 1
```

The following table shows before and after values for `pcol` at the primary database if `reptbl` has three rows with `pcol` values 1, 2, and 3.

Before	After
1	2
2	3
3	4

RepAgent retrieves the log records and submits to Replication Server commands equivalent to the following:

```
update reptbl
  set pcol = 2 where pcol = 1
update reptbl
  set pcol = 3 where pcol = 2
update reptbl
  set pcol = 4 where pcol = 3
```



Replication Server treats each row as an independent update so that the first and second rows are updated three and two times, respectively. If there is a unique index on the table, the additional updates cause errors at the replicate databases. If there is no unique index on the replicate table, duplicate rows result, as shown below.

Before	After
1	4
2	4
3	4

## 7. Product compatibilities

This section contains information about products that are compatible with Replication Server version 15.0.1.

### 7.1 Adaptive Server

Replication Server version 15.0.1 is fully compatible with Adaptive Server Enterprise version 15.0.1. See your Adaptive Server 15.0.1 documentation for more information on product requirements.

A replication system can include Adaptive Servers, Replication Servers, DirectConnect products, and RepAgents on multiple platforms.

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**Note** SQL Server versions 11.0.x and earlier are no longer supported.

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### 7.2 Interoperability of Adaptive Server, Open Client/Server, and Replication Server

Table 1 shows the interoperability of Adaptive Server, Open Client/Server products, and Replication Server across versions.

**Table 1: Interoperability between Adaptive Server, Open Client/Server, and Replication Server**

Adaptive Server 15.0.x	Adaptive Server 12.5.1	Open Client/Server 15.0	Open Client/Server 12.5.1	Replication Server 15.0.x	Replication Server 12.6
HP-UX 11.11 and 11.23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Legend**

Y = compatible

<b>Adaptive Server 15.0.x</b>	<b>Adaptive Server 12.5.1</b>	<b>Open Client/ Server 15.0</b>	<b>Open Client/ Server 12.5.1</b>	<b>Replication Server 15.0.x</b>	<b>Replication Server 12.6</b>
IBM RS/6000 AIX 5.2 and 5.3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Linux Red Hat 3.0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sun Solaris 8, 9, and 10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Microsoft Windows 2000, 2003, and XP	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Legend**

Y = compatible

Even though two or more products may be interoperable, new features introduced in a newer version of a product are not likely to be supported by older versions of the same products.

For the latest information on the interoperability of these products and other compatibility reports, see the Interoperability Matrix Technote at <http://www.sybase.com/detail?id=1026087>.

## 8. Documentation updates and clarifications

This section contains updates and clarifications to the Replication Server documentation.

### 8.1 What's New in Replication Server 15.0.1?

This section describes clarifications to the *What's New in Replication Server 15.0.1?*

#### 8.1.1 Support for heterogeneous data servers

For non-Sybase data servers, RM supports table, and function replication definition, and subscription, but does not support database replication definition, and subscription. RM also supports all connections to non-Sybase data servers except for logical connection.

### 8.2 Administration Guide

This section describes updates to the *Replication Server Administration Guide*.

### 8.2.1 Naming data servers in RM

Data servers in RM must have unique names, and the names of the non-Sybase data servers must match the Replication Agent configuration parameter `rs_source_ds`. If an existing environment uses the same name for the Replication Agent and the configuration parameter, change the name of the agent by manually adding the server name, host, and port number in page 3 of the Add Server wizard.

### 8.2.2 Creating RM objects for non-Sybase data servers

Add this information to “Managing Replication Server objects” in Chapter 3, “Managing Replication Server with Sybase Central” in the Replication Server *Replication Server Administration Guide Volume 1*:

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- **Note** RM does not support database replication definition, database subscription, and creation of logical connection for non-Sybase data servers.
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- For non-Sybase data servers, RM uses DirectConnect to communicate with the data servers and to act as an interface for RM. The status of DirectConnect is reflected in the status of the non-Sybase data server.
  - Add this as the last step of the “Creating a connection” procedure:
    8. If you created a replicate connection through DirectConnect to a non-Sybase data server, manually execute the script that generates the tables and procedures required for replication.

## 8.3 Reference Manual

This section describes updates to the *Replication Server Reference Manual*.

### 8.3.1 Correction to `rs_subcmp` usage

You do not need to set `DDLGENLOC`, and `SYBROOT` for `rs_subcmp` to work.

## 9. Language and globalization issues

This section describes language and globalization issues for Replication Server.

## 9.1 Hankaku Katakana conversion

In general, Japanese character sets are compatible. However, Hankaku Katakana characters, although they exist in both the `ucjis` and `sjis` character sets, cannot be converted. Converting data that contains Hankaku Katakana characters between `ucjis` and `sjis` will not work. This conversion problem occurs with character datatypes and the `text` datatype. It is documented in Chapter 20, “Configuring Client/Server Character Set Conversions,” of the *Adaptive Server Enterprise System Administration Guide*.

This conversion problem affects both Adaptive Server and the Sybase Open Client/Open Server libraries. Because Replication Server uses these libraries for all conversions, this problem also affects Replication Server.

In Replication Server, this type of failure is treated in the same way as is the case of a single character missing from the target character set. The remainder of the conversion succeeds and replication proceeds, and problem characters are replaced by question marks in the target data area. There is currently no way to escape this restriction with the Sybase connectivity libraries. However, in Adaptive Server, if you turn on trace flag number 2402, you can remove this restriction.

### 9.1.1 Using trace flag 2402

Generally, Sybase recommends that you set up your replication system so that Replication Server handles all character set conversions at the replicate Replication Server and prevents the replicate data server from performing any conversions. In this case, you can work around the Hankaku Katakana restriction if you set up your system so that the replicate data server performs the conversion.

The following table shows how this might look if the primary data server used the `sjis` character set and the replicate data server used `ucjis`. Communication in this system is between each data server and its Replication Server and between the two Replication Servers.

Primary Replication Server	<code>sjis</code>
Replicate Replication Server	<code>sjis</code>
Primary data server	<code>sjis</code>
Replicate data server	<code>ucjis</code>

The primary and replicate Replication Servers are configured to use the same character set as the primary data server. (If only one Replication Server manages the primary and replicate data servers, configure it with the character set of the primary data server.)

In this configuration, when the replicate Replication Server connects to the replicate data server with character set sjis, the replicate data server detects this condition and converts data into its own character set, eucjis. If trace flag 2402 is activated in the replicate data server, then the conversion includes the Hankaku Katakana characters.

- v **Setting up this workaround**
  - 1 Configure your system as suggested.
  - 2 Turn on trace flag 2402 in the replicate data server (Adaptive Server) by including `-T2402` on the command line when you start Adaptive Server.

## 9.2 Changing default date format for a language

If you modify the *common.loc* file to change the default date format for a given language, make the corresponding change to the `syslanguages` table on all affected Adaptive Servers.

## 10. Technical support

Each Sybase installation that has purchased a support contract has one or more designated people who are authorized to contact Sybase Technical Support. If you have any questions about this installation or if you need assistance during the installation process, ask the designated person to contact Sybase Technical Support or the Sybase subsidiary in your area.

## 11. Other sources of information

Use the Sybase Getting Started CD, the SyBooks CD, and the Sybase Product Manuals Web site to learn more about your product:

- The Getting Started CD contains release bulletins and installation guides in PDF format, and may also contain other documents or updated information not included on the SyBooks CD. It is included with your software. To read or print documents on the Getting Started CD, you need Adobe Acrobat Reader, which you can download at no charge from the Adobe Web site using a link provided on the CD.

- The SyBooks CD contains product manuals and is included with your software. The Eclipse-based SyBooks browser allows you to access the manuals in an easy-to-use, HTML-based format.

Some documentation may be provided in PDF format, which you can access through the PDF directory on the SyBooks CD. To read or print the PDF files, you need Adobe Acrobat Reader.

Refer to the *SyBooks Installation Guide* on the Getting Started CD, or the *README.txt* file on the SyBooks CD for instructions on installing and starting SyBooks.

- The Sybase Product Manuals Web site is an online version of the SyBooks CD that you can access using a standard Web browser. In addition to product manuals, you will find links to EBFs/Maintenance, Technical Documents, Case Management, Solved Cases, newsgroups, and the Sybase Developer Network.

To access the Sybase Product Manuals Web site, go to Product Manuals at <http://www.sybase.com/support/manuals/>.

## 11.1 Sybase certifications on the Web

Technical documentation at the Sybase Web site is updated frequently.

### v **Finding the latest information on product certifications**

- 1 Point your Web browser to Technical Documents at <http://www.sybase.com/support/techdocs/>.
- 2 Click Certification Report.
- 3 In the Certification Report filter select a product, platform, and timeframe and then click Go.
- 4 Click a Certification Report title to display the report.

### v **Finding the latest information on component certifications**

- 1 Point your Web browser to Availability and Certification Reports at <http://certification.sybase.com/>.
- 2 Either select the product family and product under Search by Base Product; or select the platform and product under Search by Platform.
- 3 Select Search to display the availability and certification report for the selection.

- v **Creating a personalized view of the Sybase Web site (including support pages)**

Set up a MySybase profile. MySybase is a free service that allows you to create a personalized view of Sybase Web pages.

  - 1 Point your Web browser to Technical Documents at <http://www.sybase.com/support/techdocs/>.
  - 2 Click MySybase and create a MySybase profile.

## 11.2 Sybase EBFs and software maintenance

- v **Finding the latest information on EBFs and software maintenance**
  - 1 Point your Web browser to the Sybase Support Page at <http://www.sybase.com/support>.
  - 2 Select EBFs/Maintenance. If prompted, enter your MySybase user name and password.
  - 3 Select a product.
  - 4 Specify a time frame and click Go. A list of EBF/Maintenance releases is displayed.

Padlock icons indicate that you do not have download authorization for certain EBF/Maintenance releases because you are not registered as a Technical Support Contact. If you have not registered, but have valid information provided by your Sybase representative or through your support contract, click Edit Roles to add the “Technical Support Contact” role to your MySybase profile.
  - 5 Click the Info icon to display the EBF/Maintenance report, or click the product description to download the software.

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