
apache start: "File exists: unable to create scoreboard"

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Description:

After a recovery of the Oracle database and reboot of the server, the `./apache/logs/error_log` file had this error:

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[Sun Apr 23 14:17:22 2006] [crit] (17)File exists: unable to create scoreboard "  
/exlibris1/aleph/u17_2/alephe/apache/logs/httpd.scoreboard" (name-based shared memory failure)
```

Resolution:

A check of the `/exlibris1/aleph/u17_2/alephe/apache/logs` showed that the scoreboard file was no longer present -- and a subsequent start of apache (without doing anything else) was successful. (Apparently apache had deleted the file.)

17.01 rep_change 538 says:

Description: ScoreBoardFile definition in `httpd.conf` is problematic on some platforms and may prevent the restart of apache unless deleted. The default is now fixed and the ScoreBoardFile definition is commented out.

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Implementation Notes:

If you have problem restarting the apache, please comment out, the following line, using # as indicated below `./alephe/apache/conf/httpd.conf`:

```
#ScoreBoardFile @_E_MOUNT_DEV/alephe/apache/logs/httpd.scoreboard
```

Additional Information

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