

# Set Windows TNS ADMIN

## How to set Oracle Environment on Windows clients

On many Windows PC's, a local version of the TNS\_ADMIN configuration file has to be used.

To change the default TNS\_ADMIN location to a different one, you have to change the TNS\_ADMIN environment variable.

A quick check, whether TNS\_ADMIN is set, can be done with SET in the DOS command window.

If TNS\_ADMIN is not listed, it is not set.

In this case, tnsping will most likely also not find your database.

To set, open "regedit" from the command window.

In the registry editor, create a new entry in

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Oracle\Client

and

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Oracle\SQL Developer

If this registry location is not writable for you, TNS\_ADMIN may also be set in

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Environment

