

# Configuration wizard - SQL Compliance Manager Agent Trace Directory window

The SQL Compliance Manager Agent Trace Directory window of the configuration wizard is available when you choose to deploy the SQL Compliance Manager Agent now and allows you to accept the default path for the agent trace directory or specify a different path. The default path is `c:\Program Files\Idera\SQLcompliance\AgentTraceFiles`. The SQL Compliance Manager Agent stores SQL Server trace files in this directory until the files are sent to the Collection Server.

When SQL Compliance Manager creates the default trace directory, the directory is secured using ACL settings. Only local administrators have read and write access to this folder.

**If you specify a different directory path**, ensure the SQL Compliance Manager Agent Service account has read and write privileges on that folder. SQL Compliance Manager does not change the security settings on existing folders.

Choose whether you want to use the default path for the agent trace directory, and then click **Next**.

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