

# How to reset and re-run the search index on Windows 10

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By default, Windows will use the index when searching to provide faster search results. The search index only includes the selected user location. These locations can be filtered by file type (file extension), file attributes and file contents to be indexed.

The index uses the Windows Search service and runs as the Searchindexer.exe process in the background. The index will automatically run (rebuild) and update changes in selected locations since the last index is run again to increase the accuracy of the search results. By default, index speed is reduced due to user activity. If the computer is idling, then the index speed will return to the maximum speed for indexing faster.

If the result received is missing, invalid or incorrect, the index may not be updated. You can run the index yourself to force it to update.

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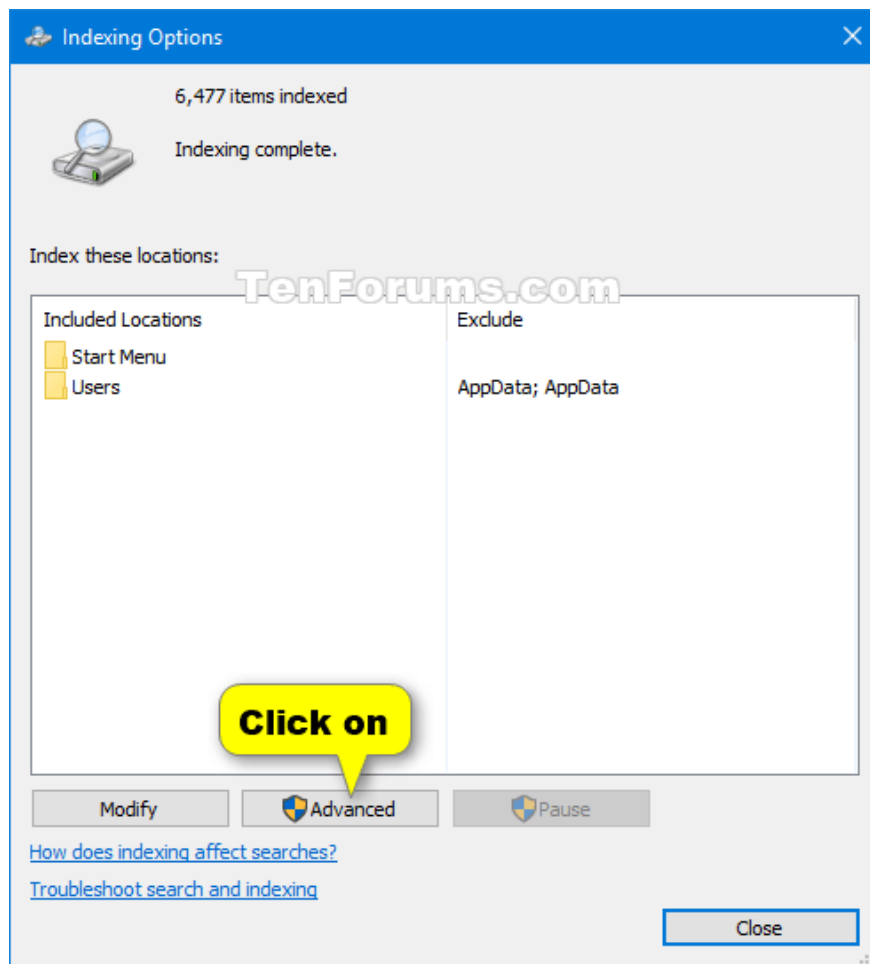
You need to log in as an administrator to run the index again.

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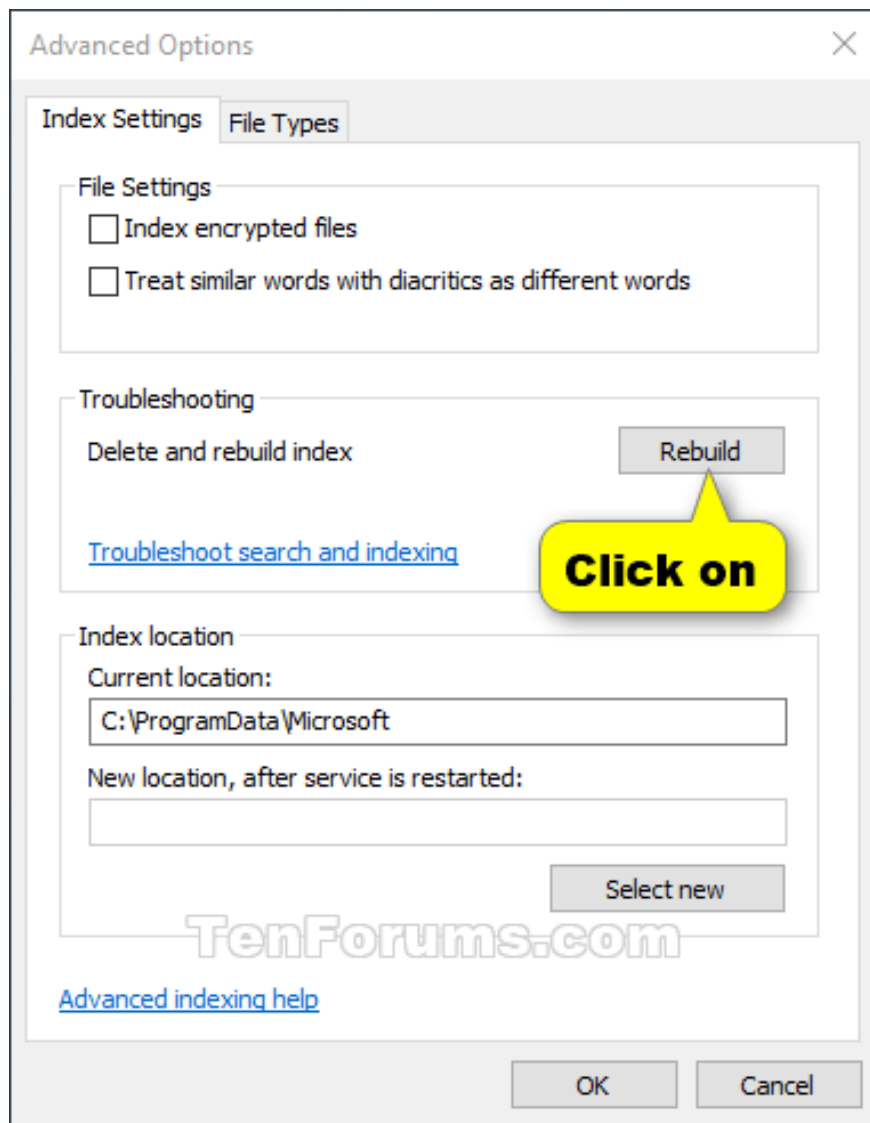
## 1. Rerun the indexing index in Indexing Options

**Step 1** . Open Control Panel, click on the **Indexing Options** icon and close the Control Panel.

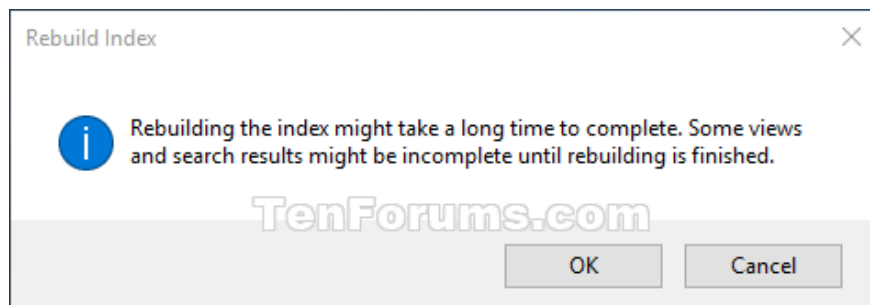
**Step 2** . Click on the **Advanced** button.



**Step 3.** On the Index Settings tab, click the **Rebuild** button under Troubleshooting.

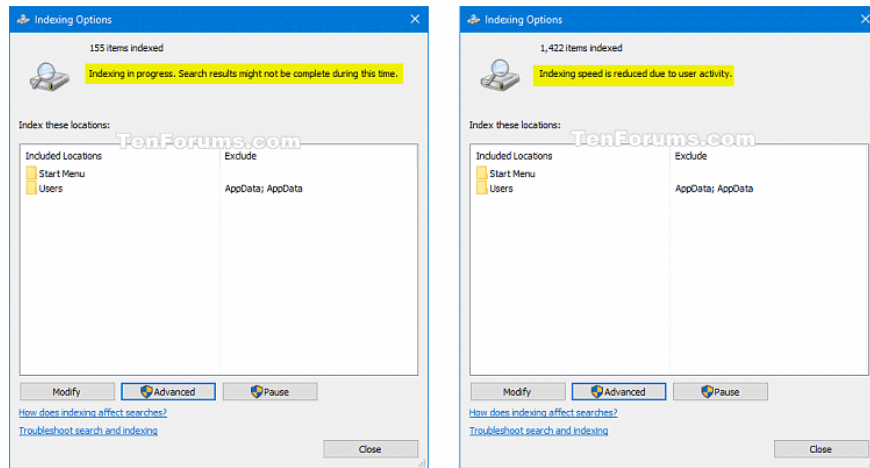


**Step 4.** Click **OK** to confirm.

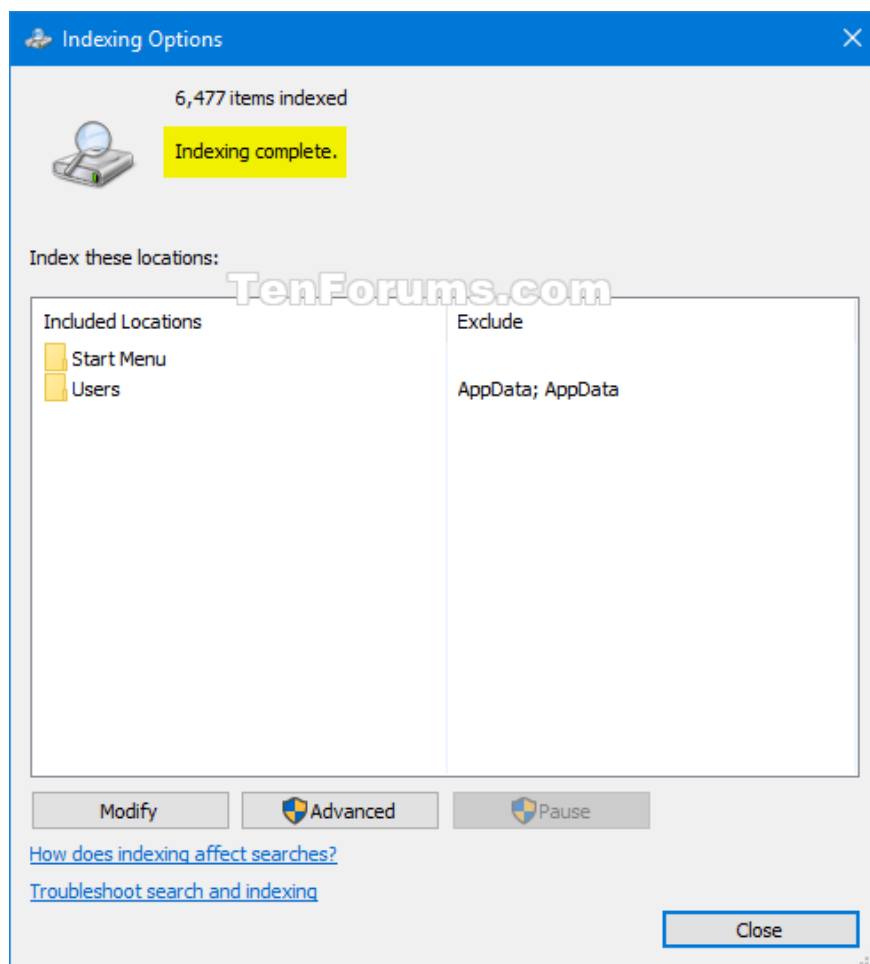


**Step 5 .** The index is now running again.

**Note:** The re-run of the index may take some time to complete. If necessary, you can click **Pause** to stop running the index.



**Step 6** . When done, click **Close** .



## 2. Rerun the search index using BAT file

**Note** : The .bat file below containing these commands will run the search index again.

Code:

```
@echo off net stop wsearch del "%ProgramData%\MicrosoftSearchDataApplicationsWindows
```

**Step 1** . Download the .bat file according to the link below.

<https://www.tenforums.com/attachments/tutorials/147615d1502120033-rebuild-search>

**Step 2** . Save the .bat file to the desktop.

**Step 3** . Unblock the .bat file.

**Step 4** . Right-click on the .bat file and click **Run as administrator** .

**Step 5** . When prompted by UAC, click on **Yes** to agree.

**Step 6** . The search index will start running again in the background.

### 3. Reset and re-run the search index using .bat file

**Note:** The following .bat file containing these commands will reset the indexed location to default and re-run the search index.

Code:

```
@echo off net stop wsearch REG ADD "HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows Search" /v Setup
```

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In the next steps, do the same as from Step 2 to Step 6 in Method 2.

I wish you all success!

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