

Creating Aspects

IntelliJ IDEA lets you create aspects in two forms: as `.aj` files and `.java` files containing classes annotated with `@Aspect`.

Note that by the time you start to create the aspects, you must have already [enabled the AspectJ support plugins](#) and [defined aspectjrt.jar as a library](#).

To create an aspect

1. In the [Project tool window](#), do one of the following:
 - Select the source directory or package in which you want to create a new aspect, and choose **File | New**.
 - Select the source directory or package, and press **Alt+Insert**.
 - Right-click the source directory or package to open the context menu, and select **New**.
2. Select **Aspect**.
3. In the dialog that opens:
 1. Specify the name of the aspect in the **Name** field.
 2. Select one of the following options from the **Kind** list:
 - **Aspect** to create a `.aj` file with the specified name.
 - **@Aspect** to create a `.java` file containing a class annotated with `@Aspect`.
 3. Click **OK**.

See Also

Procedures:

- [Enabling AspectJ Support Plugins](#)
- [Creating a Library for aspectjrt.jar](#)
- [Using the Push ITDs In Refactoring](#)
- [Using the AspectJ \(ajc\) Compiler](#)

Reference:

- [Project Tool Window](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#) 