

# Re: Setup–Deployment and Initial Window Focus

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Andy wrote:

[...]  
Can anyone explain how I can get the  
program menu version to behave  
the same as the desktop icon?

What version of Windows are you using?

Not that I actually know the answer specifically, regardless  
of the  
version of Windows you're using, but it could be important.

I think there's at least a 50/50 chance this has nothing to do  
with  
.NET, and everything to do with some specific behavior of  
the OS shell  
that's launching the application. I haven't run into the  
behavior with

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my own .NET setup–installed programs, so I can at least say that it works some of the time. :)

It would be interesting to know if this happens with a minimal application as well, or if you only have the problem with this specific application. If the latter, then there may indeed be something about your application that is causing the problem; figuring out what that is would likely be a simple matter of a process of elimination, removing customized behavior in your application until it starts working the way you want it to.

Pete

Hi Pete,

Many thanks for the prompt reply.

I am using Windows XP Pro.

I have just tried copying the desktop shortcut and over–written the program menu version but this does not change the odd behaviour.

I will create a simple Windows application and setup project from scratch and see if this feature still happens.

Thanks,

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Following on from the above, I created a simple application that displays a form (with no added controls or code). The program menu shortcut behaves the same way as the desktop shortcut – the window has the focus when the application is started. Therefore I conclude that this is not an XP issue but something to do with .NET.– Hide quoted text –

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Hi,

I have found a work–around: In the <Form>\_Shown method I added the line:

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this.Activate();
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which resolved the issue.

Thanks,

Andy

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