

Re: Media player 11 won't play wmv files

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- *From:* "zachd [MSFT]" <zachd@xx>
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No, there's not a meaningful way in any fashion to reinstall WMP upon Windows Vista.

I wrote the Add/Remove Windows Component option you're referring to. That does a Hide or Show of the player's entry points and does not perform any level of reinstall.

I wrote the Set Default Programs option you're referring to. That sets file associations and does not perform any level of reinstall.

This:

<http://zachd.com/pss/pss.html#reinstallvista>

is about the best data I know of on this subject, but I avoid mentioning it because I'd like to improve it.

Anyways, sometimes the best option is not to try a "reinstall end run" around the problem but rather to actually try to address the problem directly. =)

Speaking for myself only.

See <http://zachd.com/pss/pss.html> for some helpful WMP info.

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"Mikeze" <mikezus@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:%23oNiWtzWJHA.556@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Well, there must be a way to reinstall WMP...

I can't definitely remember is there something like "Add/Remove programs" Control Panel applet in Vista (and "Add/Remove Windows components" in it)?...

If not, try this: "Start -> Default Programs -> Set Default Programs -> Windows Media Player -> Set this program as default and clicking OK"

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"zachd [MSFT]" <zachd@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:OzCpJiyWJHA.5052@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Naw, that's incorrect. Mikeze's suggestions are simply solely relevant upon XP and absolute not applicable to Vista. It has nothing to do with 'ever receiving an upgrade'. Those suggestions simply don't do anything on Vista.
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"markeydsl" <markeydsl@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:CF1160A7-C5A1-42DA-B56F-FCC9A2DFF6D8@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

As I found out, through some research there is a file located in the base folder for WMP, however if you have ever received an upgrade you cannot reinstall the program, since it is (with the update) viewed as newer and will not reinstall.

"zachd [MSFT]" wrote:

You cannot reinstall the player in any meaningful fashion upon Vista. =)

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"Mikeze" <mikezus@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:OXHwS3uWJHA.4596@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
> There's no need to download it. Just reinstall WMP. Try searching > hard > drive for setup_wm.exe. It's in "C:\Program Files\Windows Media > Player" by > default in XP. Can't quite remember it's location on Vista (obviously > should be where the WMP is located).

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> "markeydsl"

<markeydsl@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

wrote in message

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news:43D69A09-A083-4D40-BA3D-927C46FEDBCB@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

>> Hello, I have run in to an issue. I have

windows media player for >> Vista

>> version 11, which stoped playing wmv

files as of yesterday, it >> appears

>> that

>> after a quicktime update, it will no longer

recognize these files. >> I

>> uninstalled quicktime hoping this would

fix the issue but it still >> won't

>> play

>> wmv files, and I get an error message

saying "Windows Media Player >> cannot

>> play the file. The Player might not

support the file type or might >> not

>> support the codec that was used to

compress the file."

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>> This is impossible to deal with, in the

past I solicited help from

>> microsoft, and the agent installed a ton of

codec on my computer >> which

>> took

>> over control of everything on my

computer using tons of RAM to run.

>> is it possible to download windows

media player 11 for vista and

>> reinstall

>> the program? I as of yet have not been

able to find a download for >> it.

>> If I could install the original program that

would be helpful since >> I

>> think

>> it comes with its own codec that would

allow it to play its own >> files.

>> It seem like a pain, but I would rather

reinstall the program or >> replace

>> the

>> original codec, rather than install 3rd

party codec that just take >> up

>> memory.

>> thank you

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