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Gary Smith wrote:

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So far as I know, there is absolutely no difference Win 2K and the other two versions when it comes to the SendTo function. The only thing that occurs to me is that perhaps the users don't have the necessary permission to access those shortcuts. If the shortcuts have the hidden attribute they won't show up in the menu, but I expect that you've already checked that.

[snip]

Well I'm the only user and I was using the admin account for the task. I saw that others had tried the same thing in the 'all users send to folder' copying various shortcuts like MS Word for example that doesn't show up either. There are five 'send to' short cuts that do show and do work, no doubt what the DELL install puts there by default. That is why I asked about a registry key that limits what type or the number of items that can be used. One thing that I did notice is that the send to shortcuts that do work show up as 0 bytes in Windows Explorer where as all the shortcuts that were added and don't work show as 1 byte. Now that seems really odd right there, 0 bytes ??

I checked my system, and there was no SendTo folder in the All Users' profile. Is that where you're trying to put shortcuts? I created a SendTo folder under All Users and put a couple of ordinary shortcuts in there, and sure enough, they do not show up in the context menu. If I put the same shortcuts in SendTo under my profile, they show up just fine. It appears that unlike Start Menu, the All Users' SendTo isn't merged with the individual user's.

I believe that the 0-byte entries are related to special registry entries that create a sort of virtual shortcut. Mine were all created by installers of some sort. The ones I created myself all

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have the extension .lnk (which you can't see in Explorer) and are list as 1 or 2K in size.

This PC has active desk top turned on and I am wondering if that has anything to do with the problem.

That would be a whole 'nother ball game. I've never used Active Directory and have no experinece with it. It might be interesting to turn it off temporarily to see what happens.

The comp's OS has a restore partition and no CDs. You would think that people purchasing work stations for a business would have the sense to purchase a full W2K install CD along with the comp to get the real deal rather than DELL's bungled idea of an install.

The clueless are everywhere.

I am having other issues with this comp as well. One really annoying thing is that when a document is printed the printer dialog window doesn't pop to the top of the stack of windows but instead buries itself under *all* the other windows. So they need minimized just to click the OK button. I doubt that its a printer driver issue as it doesn't matter which printer on the network is used, 10 printers that I have access to and there are only 2 pairs of the same model – hehe. Having to tell Windows twice to print something is annoying enough but when the second prompt hides itself ... grrr ...

That sounds really painful. I find myself printing a lot more stuff every since my work machine was "upgraded" because it's just to uncomfortable to read very much on the crappy Dell monitors they bought.

Yea I agree so I kept my 7 year old 23" CRT and left the Dell crap for whoever wanted it. If you have never used a monitor that large you have no idea what you are missing. I do CAM (computer aided machining) all day and its a godsend.

By the way I got around the 'send to' problem and agree about the 0 byte files, don't know what I was thinking there, desperate I guess.

The printer thing I get around most times by using 'Edit Pad' to print, it only asks once. I primarily print out ascii files (computer controlled machine tool scripts) and so seldom need a word processor.

Thanks,
John

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