

# Re: Unable to delete Registry Items

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<http://www.tech-archive.net/Archive/Win2000/microsoft.public.win2000.registry/2005-09/msg00111.html>

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- *From:* Mark V <[notvalid@xxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:invalid@xxxxxxxxxxxx)>
  - *Date:* Mon, 12 Sep 2005 14:43:53 -0400
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In microsoft.public.win2000.registry Bob wrote:

> On Sat, 10 Sep 2005 02:10:02 -0700,  
> "=?Utf-8?B?YmFycm93aGlsbA==?=" <[barrowhill@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:barrowhill@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:  
>  
>>Mark,  
>>  
>>Thanks for useful reply  
>  
> While we are on the subject of Legacy keys, can someone explain  
> their purpose and why you cannot delete them with Regedit.

They are the boot time enumeration of "legacy" (non-PnP) drivers for the system. As they are created these keys inherit ACLs from the parent key (which only allow DELETE from the SYSTEM account and thus cannot be deleted directly from the registry by an Administrator). Use the Device Manager interface (devmgmt.msc) instead. This is both easier and \*safer\*.

May like reading at:

<http://www.sysinternals.com/Information/BootTimeRegistryActivity.html>

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