

Re: regedit????

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On Fri, 12 Mar 2004 18:14:51 -0800, tomk wrote:

>>-----Original Message-----
>>On Fri, 12 Mar 2004 17:09:20 -0800, tomk wrote:
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>>> I have XP Pro and when I run the regedit the registry
>>> pops up for a second and then closes down. How do I
> keep
>>> it open so I can delete a program? It's never done
> this
>>> before.
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>>Have you checked for viruses or other malware? Many of
> these will alter
>>tools such as the registry editor so that you cannot use
> them.
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> I used Adware6 and Spybot. I also have AdShield. None of
> these detected any.

As the others have urged you, follow up on this as closely as possible to be sure you don't have a virus or some malware on your system.

Also as mentioned, many of these things will block the running of MSCONFIG, Task Manager and the Registry Editor –thus making the removal of the intrusion more difficult. The system tools are usually blocked by name, so renaming their executables is a plausible workaround. Example: Rename regedit.exe to regedit.com

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MVP Doug Knox has a tool that automatically creates a "backup set" of those three programs for you (renamed and in their own folder):
http://www.dougknox.com/xp/utls/xp_emerutils.htm

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