

## Re: Shortcut creation changed –what did I do?

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John,

I'm able to extract the .REG file, and can merge the contents to the registry. Perhaps you can try opening Regedit.exe and try importing the REG file this time.

What was that cmd supposed to do?

The command fixes incorrect value data in the following locations:

HKCR\Directory\shell

And re-creates other missing keys/values. Shell32.dll registration is useful in many situations, and often recommended in the newsgroup.

BTW, what was the crash about? Any mention of a file name?

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Regards,

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Ramesh,

The link, [http://www.dougknox.com/xp/fileassoc/linkfile\\_fix.zip](http://www.dougknox.com/xp/fileassoc/linkfile_fix.zip), is corrupted. It saves as a 1kb zip file; when opening with PowerArchiver, it shows it to contain about that, but it will not totally extract.

I finally was able to extract it, but Regedit would not take it either by clicking on it, or by importing it from within Regedit; it said it was not a legitimate reg file.

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The target command on any newly created shortcut is SEARCH.

When I did the regsvr32 /i shell32.dll cmd I rebooted and XP crashed upon rebooting, so I booted in Safe mode and restored to a previous date. It has booted fine since then, but the shortcuts still do not work. What was that cmd supposed to do?

Thanks,  
John