

Re: XP Start Up, Slow (After Install SP 2)

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DO NOT set the delay to 0—it can cause the system to hang.

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Unofficial FAQ for Windows Server 2003 at

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> 1. Speedup the Start menu

> The Start menu takes quite a while to display the list of

> programs installed. In order to get Windows XP to display

> the list faster, you will have to edit the registry

> settings. But before you set about doing this, remember

> to back up your registry before making any changes. To

> speed up your Start menu, go to Start > Run and type

> regedit. This will open the registry window. Then

> navigate to the following key: HKEY_CURRENT_USER

> \Control Panel\Desktop folder. Thereafter, scroll down in

> the right panel and double-click on the menu 'Show Delay

> File'. In the Value Data box, change the default value

> for the menu speed from 400 to a lesser number, such as 1

> or even 0. Click OK. You should now find a significant

> increase in the Start menu speed. Question =

> Is it safe to use the above method without backing

> up my registry.(I have OEM. XP HOME ED.so cannot install

> Reg.Back Up from Instaltaion CD.) Will the Registry

> be "Backed Up" if I use "SYSTEM RESTORE" Before emploing

> the above Method.