

## Re: XP related question – file association

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- *From:* "Donald A. Herman" <[dherman13@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:dherman13@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)>
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>  
> Maybe Mr. Herman will send you a copy of his. ;-)  
>

I would, if wanted, then just need a couple days. It was written for Storing Info In my Music Collection Database (MSACCESS). Which stores all my DVDs, Books, VHS etc. This also gets by the limited CDPlayers MAX Characters For Titles, Limited Playlist Abilities. And the total number of discs that a single INI can hold. I have more than 500 CDs. The database is cool though, because I can look up stuff real easy. It stores everything (lyrics, pictures, covers). And my WORD Template can make a jewel case Cover Front and Back, with a few clicks. I am a music Buff ;-)

> I just noticed that I missed something from your 3rd post.  
>  
>> I keep getting a windows popup box  
>> asking me to choose from a list of applications and the CD Player I  
>> copied  
>> over from my W2K is not even listed among the choices.  
>  
> right click a .cda file | Properties | General tab |  
> Opens with Change button | Open With dialog pops up | If your app is not  
> on  
> the list, click Browse | Navigate to your App | Double click your App |  
> Click OK | Click Apply | Click OK  
>  
> Did you browse to where ever Cdplayer.exe is?  
>  
> --  
> Hope this helps. Let us know.  
>  
> Wes  
> MS-MVP Windows Shell/User  
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> In [news:OtCDUWZtFHA.3080@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:OtCDUWZtFHA.3080@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx),  
> Johnny Bravo <[x@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:x@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> hunted and pecked:  
>> Wes, I wouldn't consider to be "ancient". It was included with the

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>> Win2000 OS (5 years old) so to me it's relatively new — I suppose it's  
>> just a matter of point of view.  
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>> I didn't upgrade to XP. Both 2000 and XP were clean installs on their  
>> own  
>> separate partitions.  
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>> "Wesley Vogel" <123WVogel1955@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
>> [news:e08mhhVtFHA.2392@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:e08mhhVtFHA.2392@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>> First off, Cdplayer.exe is not intended for XP, ancient technology.  
>>>  
>>> Cdplayer.exe does not work correctly after you upgrade from Windows 98  
>>> or  
>>> Windows 2000 to Windows XP  
>>> <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=304798>  
>>>  
>>> [[This behavior can occur because Windows Media Player replaces CD  
>>> Player  
>>> and Deluxe CD Player (which Windows 2000 installs) as the default CD  
>>> audio playback device in Windows XP. However, the system retains the  
>>> existing Cdplayer.exe file for backward compatibility. ]]  
>>>  
>>> [[After an upgrade to Windows XP from Windows Millennium Edition (Me),  
>>> Cdplayer.exe can start Windows Media Player. Also, if Windows Media  
>>> Player  
>>> 7.0 or later was installed on Windows 98 or Windows 2000, Cdplayer.exe  
>>> is  
>>> left in place. ]]  
>>>  
>>> SWAG, cdplayer.exe.manifest may have something to do with this?  
>>>  
>>> %windir%\system32\cdplayer.exe.manifest  
>>>  
>>> Audio CDs Do Not Play Automatically When You Insert Them  
>>> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:en-us:306504>  
>>> APPLIES TO  
>>> ? Microsoft Windows Millennium Edition  
>>> ? Microsoft Windows 98 Second Edition  
>>> ? Microsoft Windows 98 Standard Edition  
>>>  
>>> Compare 98 & ME to XP.  
>>>  
>>> Create AudioCD File Type section in 306504.  
>>>  
>>> AudioCD File Type in XP.  
>>> Folder Options | File Types tab | (None) AudioCD |  
>>> Advanced button | Action box: Play | Edit button |  
>>> XP has this...  
>>> "C:\Program Files\Windows Media Player\wmplayer.exe" /prefetch:3  
>>> /device:AudioCD "%L"

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>>>  
>>> 98 & ME have this...  
>>> C:\Windows\cdplayer.exe /play  
>>>  
>>> Create the Play Key section in 306504.  
>>>  
>>> HKEY\_CLASSES\_ROOT\AudioCD\shell\play\command  
>>> Value Name: (DEFAULT)  
>>> Value Type: REG\_SZ  
>>> XP has this...  
>>> Value Data: "C:\Program Files\Windows Media Player\wmplayer.exe"  
>>> /prefetch:3  
>>> /device:AudioCD "%L"  
>>>  
>>> 98 & ME have this...  
>>> Value Data: C:\Windows\cdplayer.exe /play %1  
>>>  
>>> --  
>>> Hope this helps. Let us know.  
>>>  
>>> Wes  
>>> MS-MVP Windows Shell/User  
>>>  
>>> In [news:O7cMs7PtFHA.2624@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:O7cMs7PtFHA.2624@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx),  
>>> Johnny Bravo <x@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:  
>>>> Yes I did read those two articles. My problem is so much with  
>>>> autoplay,  
>>>> but with making the proper file association. In the past and recently,  
>>>> whenever I have installed new software or music CD's, the autoplay  
>>>> works  
>>>> fine.  
>>>>  
>>>> Let me phrase it this way. Whilst I am logged in with my Admin  
>>>> Account,  
>>>> I  
>>>> want CD Player as the default player for playing any music/ audio CDs –  
>>>> but the registry tweak I made isn't working. I keep getting a windows  
>>>> popup box asking me to choose from a list of applications and the CD  
>>>> Player I copied over from my W2K is not even listed among the choices.  
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>>>> Thanks.  
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>>>> "Wesley Vogel" <123WVogel955@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
>>>> [news:ubHyOoOtFHA.1168@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:ubHyOoOtFHA.1168@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>>>> Johnny,  
>>>>>  
>>>>> Did you read the two MSKB articles?  
>>>>>  
>>>>> AutoRun has nothing to do with .cda files.

>>>>>  
>>>>> --  
>>>>> Hope this helps. Let us know.  
>>>>>  
>>>>> Wes  
>>>>> MS-MVP Windows Shell/User  
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• **References:**

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