

## Too many programs launching on startup

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>-----Original Message-----

>I have alot of unwanted programs the launch on startup.

>Is there a way to stop all of this?

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>Examples:

>A modem on hold utility for instance, it nicely overrides

>volume settings on the modem, but does not put the modem

>on hold very well. Another major problem is a program

>attempts to install itself. Originally Adobe Acrobat

>Reader 5 would try to install on startup, however, after

>clearing out my temp folder, Macromedia Coldfusion

>attempts to install, brining the startup process to a

>grinding halt while it prepares installshield. There

are

>other programs like quicktime and realplayer, that also

>launch. Nortan Ghost, I dont know what the hell this

does

>but its there to.

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>Specs:

>Windows XP Proffesional

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>Go to start/run and type in msconfig or msconfig.exe.

Check the 'Selective Startup' box and then go to the

startup tab. There you have all the apps that are

loading on startup. Uncheck the ones you don't want to

load. Some of the programs have mysterious sounding

names, but I generally ignore what look to be Windows

components and just experiment with checking/unchecking

the rest. Also, you can go to start/control

panel/administrative tools/services and there you have

all the services that load. BlackViper.com has a good

list of which services you can disable for different

kinds of configurations. Norton Ghost allows you to

clone your hard drive onto other hard drives or dvd/cd's

for backup purposes. It makes an exact replica of your

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hard drive.