

Re: XML temp files

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Jon Cosby wrote:

- > *What's with these XML files filling up my temp folder (imt***.xml)?*
- > *Just started after installing sp2. Yesterday alone there were 57*
- > *of these files taking 12 MB.*

Hi

This is a bug introduced by SP2.

Those imt*.xml files are created when using "Help and Support" as well as ordinary help files :-(

This means that people that uses help files and "Help and Support" a lot will lose a lot of hard disk space if they doesn't clean out the temp folder regularly. Microsoft is aware if this issue.

To delete those file automatically at every logon, you could create a batch file in the Startup folder (preferably the one for "All Users").

To open the "All Users" Startup folder, run the line below from Start/Run (including the double quotes!):

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"%ALLUSERSPROFILE%\Start Menu\Programs\Startup"
```

Create a file with the file extension .bat and put the following line into it:

```
del %tmp%\imt*.xml
```

If you want to avoid the command prompt that will flash by at each logon after doing the above, use a VBScript file instead of a batch file.

Create a file with the file extension .vbs and put the following into it:

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'-----8<-----  
Set objShell = CreateObject("WScript.Shell")  
strCmd = "%comspec% /c del %tmp%\imt*.xml"  
objShell.Run strCmd, 0, True  
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Administration scripting examples and an ONLINE version of  
the 1328 page Scripting Guide:  
http://www.microsoft.com/technet/scriptcenter/default.mspx
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