

## Re: 0kb exe files in Windows folder

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Hi,

Hard to tell what might have created them, but they should be safe to delete.

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Best of Luck,

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- > Just found scads of 0kb exe files in C:\Windows folder in XP after doing a
- > wildcard Search for something else. Curious because a web search turns-up
- > nothing about them; all named differently such as apie32, for example.
- > Clicking to open them brings-up an error saying this is 'not a valid Win32
- > application' (?) for each one. There must be at least 35 of these buggers.
- > I am baffled as to what might have created them or placed them in my
- > root
- > folder and what they represent.. Can anyone give me some direction on
- > these
- > and if you need more specific info, please let me know.
- > Thanks for any help with this..
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- *References:*
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