

Re: Add/Remove programs

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Wes

Thanks for continued help. I update my antivirus regularly and do a full scan every day. I have already deleted the unwanted progs by deleting all reference to them in the registry – hope this was OK – there wasn't an uninstall facility available for those progs. I can live with the problem if deleting reg entries is a trouble free method of deleting progs without an uninstall facility.

Thanks again.

John R

"Wesley Vogel" <123WVogel955@comcast.net> wrote in message news:e8ug1Na1EHA.3092@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

> *John,*

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> *This may not help, but it certainly won't hurt.*

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> *Update your antivirus software and run a full system scan.*

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> *Also for the programs that you need to uninstall. Try on the Start Menu, look for Remove or Uninstall under that program.*

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> *Or in*

> *C:\Program Files for a file called Uninstall, uninstall.exe, Uninstall*

> *blah*

> *blah, or blah blah Uninstall.*

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> *i.e.*

> *C:\Program Files\Empty Temp Folders 2.8.3\uninstall.exe*

> *C:\Program Files\DivX\DivXBundleUninstall.exe*

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> *Or do a Search on your machine for uninstall.*

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> *Also...*

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> *Uninstall Programs Manually*
> http://www.theeldergeek.com/manually_uninstall_programs.htm
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> --
> *Hope this helps. Let us know.*
> *Wes*
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> *In news:codjmu\$hvg\$1@newsg1.svr.pol.co.uk,*
> *John Redman <john@redmanj.freemove.co.uk> hunted and pecked:*
>> *Wes*
>>
>> *Thanks for response.*
>>
>> *Did all you suggested and search for QuietDisplayName revealed*
>> *nothing!*
>>
>> *Any other ideas?*
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>> *"Wesley Vogel" <123WVogel955@comcast.net> wrote in message*
>> *news:O4yhiHX1EHA.2876@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...*
>>> *John,*
>>>
>>> *Be very, very careful with this!!!!!! Read *all* of this.*
>>>
>>> *You may need to Search through your registry for the Value Name*
>>> *QuietDisplayName. Most programs use DisplayName. If DisplayName is*
>>> *used the program should be listed in Add or Remove Programs*
>>> *(appwiz.cpl). If QuietDisplayName is used, the program will *not**
>>> *be listed.*
>>>
>>> *Did I mention, be very, very careful with this!!!!!!*
>>>
>>> *In my registry the following use QuietDisplayName under...*
>>> *HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Uninstall*
>>>
>>> *Microsoft Data Access Components KB870669*
>>> *Outlook Express Q823353*
>>> *Shockwave Flash*
>>>
>>> *There's a reason for this. Whoever wants to make it difficult to*
>>> *uninstall*
>>> *something.*
>>>
>>> *QuietDisplayName is used under other keys, don't worry about those.*
>>>
>>> *Start | Run | Type: regedit | OK |*
>>>
>>> *Navigate to this key >>>*
>>> *HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Uninstall*
>>> *This key contains a key for every application that can be*

>>> *uninstalled.*
>>>
>>> *Click on the Uninstall folder in the left hand pane.*
>>> *Hit the F3 key on you keyboard.*
>>> *Type: QuietDisplayName*
>>> *Click the Find Next button.*
>>> *When you find any, make a note.*
>>> *Hit F3 to Search again.*
>>> *When you find any, make a note.*
>>> *Repeat until Finished searching pops up.*
>>>
>>> *If you feel confident in doing this change QuietDisplayName to*
>>> *DisplayName for the applicable programs.*
>>>
>>> *Post back with any questions.*
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>>> *[[Important This article contains information about modifying the*
>>> *registry.*
>>> *Before you modify the registry, make sure to back it up and make*
>>> *sure that you understand how to restore the registry if a problem*
>>> *occurs. For information about how to back up, restore, and edit the*
>>> *registry, click the*
>>> *following article number to view the article in the Microsoft*
>>> *Knowledge Base:*
>>> *256986 Description of the Microsoft Windows Registry]]*
>>> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?kbid=256986>
>>>
>>> *HOW TO Back Up, Edit, and Restore the Registry in Windows XP and*
>>> *Windows Server 2003*
>>> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;322756>
>>>
>>> --
>>> *Hope this helps. Let us know.*
>>> *Wes*
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>>> *In news:cocan6\$ppj\$1@newsg2.svr.pol.co.uk,*
>>> *John Redman <john@redmanj.freemove.co.uk> hunted and pecked:*
>>>> *1. Click Start, click Run, type appwiz.cpl, and then click OK.*
>>>> *2. In Change or Remove Programs, click to select the Show updates*
>>>> *check box.]]*
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>>>> *Did that and now have even fewer entries listed (20 now 25 before)*
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>>>> *How to manage the Currently installed programs list in Windows XP*
>>>> *Service Pack 2*
>>>> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;884786>
>>>>
>>>> --
>>>> *Hope this helps. Let us know.*
>>>> *Wes*
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>>>> *Seems to be nothing there for my particular problem.*

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>>>> *I read somewhere that the list of installed progs in add/rem progs
>>>> is taken from a particular entry in the registry but can't recall
>>>> where I read this. If anyone knows, and can advise how to update
>>>> the entry, maybe this is the solution.*

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>>>> *Thanks*

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>>>> *John R*

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>>>>> *In news:co9r5v\$P3o\$1@news6.svr.pol.co.uk,*

>>>>> *John Redman <john@redmanj.freemove.co.uk> hunted and pecked:*

>>>>> *Perhaps I've not described my problem accurately. I have about 60
>>>>> programs installed on my computer and was able to see them all in
>>>>> add/remove programs. Now I can only see 25, although all the
>>>>> programs are working and there are no white spaces. I installed
>>>>> service pack 2 recently, could that have affected things. Any
>>>>> other ideas?*

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>>>>>> *John R*

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>>>>>> *"John Redman" <john@redmanj.freemove.co.uk> wrote in message*

>>>>>> *news:co6rcu\$e86\$1@news8.svr.pol.co.uk...*

>>>>>> *I've recently noticed that only a small percentage of my programs
>>>>>> are listed in Add/remove programs. Any ideas how I can get the
>>>>>> whole list back, I need to delete a couple.*

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>>>>>>> *John R*

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