

Re: EXTRA BOGUS Temporary Internet Files, Cookies, & History folders

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> On a hunch I went into MSConfig and disabled anything having to do with
> Norton Internet Security. Deleted the files in Safe Mode and rebooted.
> The bogus folders were not recreated. But after a few seconds a DF*.tmp
> file was created. I could not delete it. So I opened Task Manager and
> started killing processes. My second guess was Microsoft AntiSpyware's
> gcasServ.exe process. I was able to delete the file. I left the process
> dead for a while and no new files were created. As soon as I started up
> Microsoft AntiSpyware it created two new files.
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> So it seems the cause of my problem is the software I use to protect
> myself. Norton Internet Security creates the bogus IE cache folders and
> Microsoft AntiSpyware creates the DF*.tmp files.
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> I don't mind them creating the files but I don't like them being
> undeletable while the programs are running. This means I have to figure
> out some way to empty out the Temp folder before these processes are
> started so it doesn't eventually fill up and take over my whole hard
> drive.

If the file is in use, it's in use...you can't delete it. It would be like deleting a program while it's running. Doesn't matter that it's in the temp folder, if the program need it to run. You'd find the same thing if you tried to delete MS Word files while Word was working on them. Or just about any program that works that way.

Or is it creating *more* files each time? If it's the same ones (or if it deletes old one and creates new) it shouldn't be anything to worry about, but if they're growing in number/size, are you saying you can't delete any of them, or just the new ones?

Instead of trying to delete them at startup, you might be better served by deleting them at shutdown, after the program that created them has closed. Create a batch file to delete them. But really, if the program needs them and creates them at every startup, deleting them seems to be sort of futile.

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