

Re: Windows Explorer menu line gone

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Long post, hopefully an answer in here some where. ;-)

Hit your F11 key to get out of Full Screen mode. The F11 key toggles between Full Screen mode and a Normal or Maximized window.

In Full Screen (F11) the Menu Bar, the Address Bar and Links can be added.

Right click the top Toolbar and Select Menu Bar, Address Bar or Links.

Alt + V + T will also open the Toolbars menu where you can add or remove the Menu Bar, the Address Bar and Links. Alt + V + T + M toggles the Menu Bar. Alt + V + T + A toggles the Address Bar. Alt + V + L toggles Links.

If Auto-Hide is Selected, moving the cursor to the top of the window should display the Toolbar. Move the cursor to the top, right click the Toolbar and UNSelect Auto-Hide.

Alt + V will open the View menu where you can point to Toolbars and UNSelect Auto-Hide. Alt + V + T + H will toggle Auto-Hide on and off.

In Internet Explorer, but not Windows Explorer, Alt + V will open the View menu where you can UNSelect Full Screen. Alt + V + F will also toggle Full Screen in IE.

The Menu Bar has:

File
Edit
View
Favorites
Tools
Help

You will have to try these in both Internet Explorer and Windows Explorer.

Try Alt + Spacebar and select Restore.
or Alt + Spacebar + R.

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Try Alt + V and UNSelect Full Screen.
or Alt + V + F.

Try Alt + V, point to Toolbars and select Menu Bar.
or Alt + V + T + M.

Also the File menus could have been removed do to Group Policy and/or a registry setting.

Open the Registry Editor...

Start | Run | Type: regedit | Click OK |

Navigate to >>>

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Policies\Explorer

and/or

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\
Policies\Explorer

Value Name: NoFileMenu

Value Type: REG_DWORD

Value Data: 0 or 1

0 = The File menus are active.

1 = The File menus are removed or disabled.

NoFileMenu not listed in registry = The File menus are active.

If XP Pro, use Group Policy...

Start | Run | Type: gpedit.msc | Click OK|

Navigate to >>>

User Configuration\Administrative Templates\Windows Components\
Windows Explorer\
Remove File menu from Windows Explorer

Set to: Not configured

Remove File menu from Windows Explorer

[[Removes the File menu from My Computer and Windows Explorer.

This setting does not prevent users from using other methods to perform tasks available on the File menu.

Removes the File menu from My Computer and Windows Explorer, and disables the File menu in Internet Explorer.]]

Internet Explorer or Windows Explorer Missing Address Bar.

Start | Run | Type or paste:

REGSVR32 /i BROWSEUI.DLL

Click OK.

Reboot.

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Also see this...

Menu bar/Toolbar Missing in Windows Explorer and/or Internet Explorer
<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/555130>

Hope this helps. Let us know.

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In <news:C237EE44-FD60-4301-9F41-DE08084BC5FE@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx>,
Brol44 <Brol44@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:

Recently windows explorer refused to display anything at the top. No menu line (File, edit, view, etc), no address bar, no buttons...nothing! the only thing at the top is "Folders, Name, Size, type, etc" Right clicking on the top only lets you select "close toolbar"

Anyone got a clue what happened? Even better, know how to fix it?

System is XP Pro sp2