

Re: Explorer doesn't start anymore

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Hi Wesley,

thanks for the reply. Unfortunately I didn't have luck with these steps.

I can boot in safe mode and log on. This works fine. Under the user Administrator I created a new user account (also an administrator) and rebooted, this time in normal mode. It didn't change the problem I'm having.

I also used the "Taskbar missing"-script under a safe-mode administrator. But it didn't help as well.

Strangely, if I boot in normal mode log on as an administrator and see the background picture, I can open the task manager and can choose File->Open and search for executable programs. If I search under "office" (? don't know the correct phrase for that in the english version of XP) for programs the taskbar reappears but everything is extremely slow/frozen and there's only action if I try to look under "office" - and then also not much. I cannot even see the contents of office.

Would it help if I go back with a system restore? Are registry keys also restored? Unfortunately my last backup is quite a while ago. I can't imagine what has been screwed up, since I only granted write access and took it away after executing RegMon from Sysinternals and the dictionary I tried to get to run.

Would be very grateful for further assistance,
Mat

"Wesley Vogel" wrote:

This behavior can occur if the Windows settings for a particular user account are corrupted.

Taskbar Is Missing When You Log On to Windows
<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/318027>

Also...

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[[To use the VBS Files: Download .vbs file and save it to your hard drive (you may want to right click and use Save Target As). Double click the vbs file. You will be prompted when the script is done.]]

Taskbar is Missing

http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/regs_edits/xp_taskbar_desktop_fixall.vbs

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

Wes

MS-MVP Windows Shell/User

In [news:C57A1C9F-CE96-48B3-B624-B458C3B1448A@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:C57A1C9F-CE96-48B3-B624-B458C3B1448A@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx),

Mat <Mat@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:

Hi,

I've got a big problem, because I can't access any program anymore (except the task manager).

What I did: I was working under a user with limited rights (Windows XP Media Center Edition) and tried to get to run a program under such an account. After giving special rights to the group, that this user belongs, for specific keys (which RegMon showed me) I granted this group rights for all of the Root_Classes and HKLM in the registry (while being logged on as limited user, regedit being executed with administrator-rights). This didn't help so I took away the rights again and logged off. After that time I can log in but nothing starts. The only thing I see is the background picture and the only process that starts is explorer (I can see that in task manager), but the task bar doesn't show up, and nothing else as well.

I would be so grateful for any help, that doesn't say install everything again from new.

Best,

Mat