

# Re: i cant find my controll panel on win xp

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I think you didn't read the instructions well.

As you said, you are unable to open GPEDIT.MSC even after the correct spellings that means you are running Windows XP Home Edition and GPEDIT is not available in Windows XP Home Edition. That is why I had given you the alternate way of REGEDIT. As you said you can see the Control Panel entry in REGEDIT but the entry name should be "NoControlPanel". I already told you that modifying registry with incorrect manners can caused other problems. So do it carefully.

1. Open REGEDIT and Expand Exact To the following location:

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer

2. On the right-side pane, there should be an entry called "NoControlPanel".
3. Right-click on the entry and delete it.
4. Close the registry editor and restart your PC.

Hope this help, let us know!

"agchip28@xxxxxxx" wrote:

On Mar 3, 10:38 pm, RajKohli <[RajKo...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:RajKo...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

For Windows XP Professional  
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1. Click Start – Run – type GPEDIT.MSC and press Enter
2. Expand To:  
User Configuration  
Administrative Templates  
Control Panel
3. On the right-side pane, double-click the entry "NoControlPanel"
4. If the value is already set to "Not Configured" then change it to disable and apply the changes.
5. Now, if you can see the Control Panel in Start Menu.

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For both Windows XP Professional and Home Edition

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Modifying the windows registry can cause serious problem to your Windows health so please do it carefully.

1. Click Start – Run – type REGEDIT and press enter.
2. Expand To:

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer

3. On the right–side pane, there should be an entry "NoControlPanel". Select and delete the entry or double–click and change the value to 0.
4. May require you to restart your PC.

Hope this help, let us know!

"agchi...@xxxxxxxx" wrote:

i tried right clicking on the task bar and select properties,  
then  
clicked the Start  
Menu tab. clicked the customize button, and finally the  
Advanced tab.  
it wasnt in the list. what do i do now. its my computer but im  
also  
locked out as administrator. does any 1 have any ideas that  
might  
help?

i Clicked Start – Run – typed GPEDIT.MSC. windows couldnt find it. is  
the spelling right? i did see controll panel when i ran REGEDIT. it  
still itsnt in my start menu yet . what should i do now?