

## Re: System Config Utility shows mystery startup items

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Whow; you went to a lot of trouble; much more than I expected. Thanks.

"Bob Dietz" wrote:

> Interspersed below I've identified each item. I'd guess that the blanked  
> out items are ones like *"Promon.exe"="Promon.exe"* that don't include  
> the full path? To see these try SysInternals Autoruns  
> <http://www.sysinternals.com/ntw2k/freeware/autoruns.shtml>  
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> --  
> Bob Dietz  
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> PiratePete wrote:  
> > Here it is:  
> >  
> > Windows Registry Editor Version 5.00  
> >  
> > [HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run]  
> >  
> > "Smapp"="C:\\Program Files\\Analog Devices\\SoundMAX\\Smtray.exe"  
> > from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-smtray.exe.html>  
> > "System Tray access for the Compaq/ADI SoundMAX integrated digital audio  
> > controller." User choice/not required.  
> >  
> > "Promon.exe"="Promon.exe"  
> > from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-promon.exe.html>  
> > "System Tray icon for Intel PRO series ethernet adapters giving access  
> > to the diagnostic features" User choice/not required.  
> >  
> > "Mouse Suite 98 Daemon"="ICO.EXE"  
> > from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-ICO.EXE.html>  
> > "Found on a Sony Vaio laptop and seems to be related to Mouse Suite 98  
> > Daemon according to the properties. Appears to cause a behaviour where  
> > the desktop suddenly flips back up when playing DirectX associated  
> > games" User choice/not required.

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>  
> > "Hot Key Kbd Daemon"="SKDAEMON.EXE"  
> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-SKDAEMON.EXE.html>  
> "Multi-function keyboard driver. Allows the use of programmable keys on  
> multimedia keyboards. Required if you use the additional keys" User  
> choice/not required.  
>  
> > "NvCplDaemon"="RUNDLL32.EXE NvQTwk,NvCplDaemon initialize"  
> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-rundll32.exe.html>  
> "System Tray icon used to manage settings for nVidia based graphics  
> cards. May be required for some 3D applications to recognize your card  
> correctly - such as the game "Everquest". Otherwise, settings can be  
> changed manually via Display Properties" User choice/not required.  
>  
> > "ATIPTA"="C:\\Program Files\\ATI Technologies\\ATI Control  
> Panel\\atiptaxx.exe"  
> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-atiptaxx.exe.html>  
> "Control panel for the ATI series of video cards allowing access to such  
> features as display resolution, colour depth, etc. Available via Start  
> -> Settings -> Control Panel -> Display. Some users may need it if they  
> have optimised their settings"  
>  
> > @=""  
> Normal default value for this key.  
>  
> > "ATICCC"="\"C:\\Program Files\\ATI Technologies\\ATI.ACE\\cli.exe\" runtime"  
> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-cli.exe.html>  
> "ATI's CATALYSTâ,,ç CONTROL CENTER. Required if you want to change graphics  
> settings on a regular basis but you must have internet access and  
> Microsoft's .NET framework installed. Note that this has "runtime"  
> appended to cli.exe in the "Command" column of MSCONFIG. If not you can  
> start the program manually via Start -> Programs -> ATI Catalyst Control  
> Center -> Advanced -> Restart Runtime"  
>  
> > "TweakMASTER"="C:\\PROGRA~1\\TWEAKM~1\\TMTray.exe"  
> Nothing really conclusive on this one  
> <http://www.google.com/search?q=TMTray.exe>  
> <http://www.google.com/search?q=TweakMASTER>  
>  
> > "Zone Labs Client"="\"C:\\Program Files\\Zone Labs\\ZoneAlarm\\zlclient.exe\""  
> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-zlclient.exe.html>  
> "Firewall program from Zonelabs. Pro version includes other online  
> security options" Required. Don't disable.  
>  
> > "dla"="C:\\WINDOWS\\system32\\dla\\tfsctrl.exe"  
> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-tfsctrl.exe.html>  
> 'Drive letter access to HP's and Veritas' version of DirectCD. Does the  
> same thing as DirectCD. From HP - "This is a needed file as it controles  
> the readability of the Combo drives. Without this file loading the end  
> user will be able to burn CD's but wont be able to read them. The drive  
> itself will be able to read store bought master Cd's without the file

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- > *but not burnt ones" Required.*
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- > > "Rapid Restore"="C:\\Program Files\\Xpoint\\PE\\Skin\\rrpcsb.exe"
- > from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-rrpcsb.exe.html>
- > "XPoint "Rapid Restore PC" – a "Managed Recovery", a solution that enables
- > IT Administrators to protect the corporate image, while offloading
- > personal data backup and recovery chores to the end user" User
- > choice/not required.
- >
- > > "ccApp"="C:\\Program Files\\Common Files\\Symantec Shared\\ccApp.exe"
- > from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-ccApp.exe.html>
- > "Part of Norton AntiVirus 2003. Auto-protect and E-mail check will not
- > function without this" Required. Don't disable.
- >
- > > "Symantec NetDriver Monitor"="C:\\PROGRA~1\\SYMNET~1\\SNDMon.exe"
- > from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-SNDMon.exe.html>
- > "Part of Symantec's LiveUpdate (eg, Norton). Not required if you run
- > manual updates but probably require if you leave them to run
- > automatically. Also, if one runs a small office network and SNDMon is
- > disabled on one of the computers – then other computers disappear from
- > the network for this computer, including shared devices like printers
- > and scanners." User choice.
- >
- > > "gcasServ"="C:\\Program Files\\Microsoft AntiSpyware\\gcasServ.exe"
- > Part of GIANT/MS AntiSpyware. Required.
- >
- > > "HPDJ Taskbar
- > > Utility"="C:\\WINDOWS\\system32\\spool\\drivers\\w32x86\\3\\hpztsb09.exe"
- > from [http://www.answerthatwork.com/Tasklist\\_pages/tasklist\\_h.htm](http://www.answerthatwork.com/Tasklist_pages/tasklist_h.htm)
- > "Background print job spooling tasks associated with some HP DeskJet
- > printers (eg. DJ-930C, DJ-990C, DJ-3580). This task also displays an
- > icon in the System Tray called the HP Toolbox which enables the end-user
- > to do various things such as cleaning the heads, aligning the heads,
- > checking the ink level, etc...
- >
- > Recommendation :
- > Essential under most versions of Windows – leave alone. Under Windows
- > 2000/XP, however, it is no longer essential to printing as, as long as
- > the –Print Spooler– service is enabled (which it always is by
- > default), printing to the printer will be fine. It then becomes a
- > matter of preference as to whether you want to have the HP Toolbox in
- > your System Tray or not. If you choose to disable it, you can do so
- > with The Ultimate Troubleshooter."
- >
- > > "HPHUPD05"="c:\\Program
- > > Files\\Hewlett-Packard\\{5372B9A6-6E51-4f90-9B40-E0A3B8475C4E}\\hphupd05.exe"
- > from
- > <http://www.liutilities.com/products/wintaskspro/processlibrary/hphupd05/>
- > " hphupd05.exe is a process belonging to the HP Photosmart application
- > and is responsible for keeping this software upto date. This program is
- > non-essential process to the running of the system, but should not be

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> *terminated unless suspected to be causing problems.*"

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> > "HP Component Manager"="\"C:\\Program Files\\HP\\hpcoretech\\hpcmpmgr.exe\""

> from <http://startup.iamnotageek.com/srch-hpcmpmgr.exe.html>

> *Checks the internet for updated drivers/utilities for your HP product –*

> *update manually. Disabling will remove the error "Windows can't shutdown*

> *the computer because hpcmpmgr.exe can't be ended"*

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> > "HPHmon05"="C:\\WINDOWS\\system32\\hphmon05.exe"

> from

> <http://www.liutilities.com/products/wintaskspro/processlibrary/hphmon05/>

> *" hphmon05.exe is a process relating to the Hewlett Packard software HP*

> *Photosmart, and provides easy access to flash card reading functions.*

> *This program is non-essential process to the running of the system, but*

> *should not be terminated unless suspected to be causing problems."*

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[HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\\SOFTWARE\\Microsoft\\Windows\\CurrentVersion\\Run\\OptionalComponents]

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[HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\\SOFTWARE\\Microsoft\\Windows\\CurrentVersion\\Run\\OptionalComponents\\IMAIL]

> > "Installed"="1"

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[HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\\SOFTWARE\\Microsoft\\Windows\\CurrentVersion\\Run\\OptionalComponents\\MAPI]

> > "Installed"="1"

> > "NoChange"="1"

> >

> >

[HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\\SOFTWARE\\Microsoft\\Windows\\CurrentVersion\\Run\\OptionalComponents\\MSFS]

> > "Installed"="1"

> >

> > *The only thing that jumps out at me is "NvCplDaemon", which looks like*

> > *support for a video card that has since been replaced.*

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> > *Hope you can make sense of the above.*

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> > *Thanks in advance.*

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> > *"Bob Dietz" wrote:*

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> >> *PiratePete wrote:*

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> >>> *Iâ€™m trying to sort through all the accumulated dreck that runs at startup.*

> >>> *When I click on the Startup tab of the System Configuration Utility a see a*

> >>> *number of lines where absolutely nothing appears in the "Startup Item" and*

> >>> *"Command" columns, but the line is checked to run at startup. The "Location"*

> >>> *column says:*

> >>> *"HKLM\\SOFTWARE\\Microsoft\\Windows\\CurrentVersion\\Run."*

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> >>> *Any ideas what these mystery items are, and whether or not it's safe to*  
> >>> *uncheck them.*  
> >>>  
> >>  
> >> *More info is needed.*  
> >> *Paste the following line into the Run box (eg. START> Run...)*  
> >>  
> >> *reg export HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run*  
> >> *"%userprofile%\desktop\hklm\_run.txt"*  
> >>  
> >> *(above is all one line)*  
> >> *Copy the contents of hklm\_run.txt into your next message.*  
> >>  
> >> --  
> >> *Bob Dietz*  
> >>  
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