

## Re: problems after reinstalling XP...

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- *From:* "Will Denny" <[willdenny@xxxxxxxx](mailto:willdenny@xxxxxxxx)>
  - *Date:* Tue, 12 Jul 2005 16:20:06 +0100
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Hi

You won't be able to uninstall a lot of those programs as they perhaps won't be referenced in Add/Remove Programs. Just deleting the relevant folders won't be much help.

A couple of suggestions – you can either reinstall the programs as your system stands now, or perform a 'Clean' install of XP, which will clear the hard drive/partition and you can start again then. You can backup your data files first – for either option – as they can then be copied back to the original folders.

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"briggsbray" <[briggsbray@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:briggsbray@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message [news:205A0115-4606-4686-B0AD-9DD20886D41B@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:205A0115-4606-4686-B0AD-9DD20886D41B@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

> Will Denny,  
> yes that looks like what i'll do. Am i safe to toss all of the old  
> (unrecognized) stuff in the recycle bin? i think i've figured out where it  
> all is.  
> -briggsbray  
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> "Will Denny" wrote:  
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>> Hi  
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>> If you reinstalled XP, then the Registry values would have changed and  
>> would  
>> not show the already installed programs. You'll have to reinstall those  
>> programs so that they can be registered in the Registry.  
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>> > my computer would not boot up, so knowing i had no irreplaceable files  
>> > or  
>> > programs, i just re-installed XP from the reinstallation CD. I can find  
>> > nearly all the folders/programs/files that were on the computer before  
>> > the  
>> > reinstallation (in folders under local disc (c:), but those old program  
>> > files  
>> > are not being recognized. For example, in the add/remove programs under  
>> > control panel, only 2 programs are listed, instead of the 15-20 items  
>> > that  
>> > were there previously. Is there a way to get my system to "find" this  
>> > stuff  
>> > and recognize it? If i have to delete it all (and reinstall  
>> > individually)  
>> > i  
>> > could, but deleting programs manually makes me worry that i will miss  
>> > some  
>> > components.  
>> > i have a feeling there isn't an easy way out of this one....  
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• **References:**

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