

# Re: Purge cache

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If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

If the dllcache directory becomes corrupted, run SFC /PURGECACHE. SFC will delete the contents of the dllcache directory, rescan all Windows files, and repopulate the dllcache directory with verified file versions.

SFC /PURGECACHE can be used to repair the contents of the dllcache directory.

/Purgecache: Purges the file cache and scans all protected system files immediately. This command may require access to the Windows installation source files.

You can use System File Checker to repopulate the Dllcache folder if the contents become damaged or unusable. To purge and repopulate the contents of the Dllcache folder, in the Run dialog box, type:

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sfc /purgecache
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I have absolutely what happens if Windows File Protection is using ServicePackFiles\i386 instead of the dllcache folder.

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

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Would it be a good idea to "purge cache" from command prompt when performing a chkdsk and/or scannow. If so, would I do this prior to, or after the chkdsk?

many, many thx

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