

Re: history problems, index.dat

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<http://www.tech-archive.net/Archive/Windows/microsoft.public.windows.inetexplorer.ie6.browser/2004-07/1838.htm>

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Thanks both.

I really cant fix it. Tried everything. Software doesn't fix it.

Booted in DOS mode: Deltree is not a known command (?????)

Even if I navigate in DOS until C:\Documents and Settings\username\Local Settings\

There is no History directory.

Booted in safe mode as administrator, deleted the history folder.

Now a desktop.ini appears in history inside IE

And BTW booting in DOS mode takes a loooooooong time (is my pc or is that normal?)

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> *Hi Zero –*

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> *Yes, you have a corrupted History folder without a doubt. This can be caused*

> *by deleting contents of the Content.IE5 folder at random which leaves the*

> *Index.dat file in a state of total confusion. It will be necessary to create*

> *a new folder. Ordinarily, Index.dat files cannot be deleted through Windows*

> *as they are in use. You must have used a very powerful program or a DOS*

> *process to have done that. This may well differ with XP, and I have but*

> **little knowledge* of that OS.*

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> *For W98 (W98se) proceed as follows as per Sandi's site:*

> http://inetexplorer.mvps.org/answers_8.htm#deltree

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> *1) Start>Shutdown>Re-start in MS-DOS mode*

> *2) Wait for Mouse to be recognized, and for the system to stabilize.*

> *3) At the prompt of C:\> type the words: "Deltree History" (Note: there is*

> *a space between the two. Do not use any " quotation marks)*

- > 5) *press enter*
- > 6) *A confirmation request appears (Y/N)*
- > 7) *Type: "Y" and press enter (no quotation marks)*
- > 8) *Another prompt will appear (Y/N)*
- > 9) *Type: "Y" and press enter.*
- > 10) *Hit Ctrl–Alt–Del to close out of the DOS session and to re–boot in normal mode.*
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- > *The same process may be followed for your Temporary Internet Files as well.*
- > *This will create a new Index.dat file free of corruption and sized at 32 KB.*
- > *In that case the command line to use will be "Deltree Tempor~1"*
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- > *Proceed slowly and carefully, noting that each command and instruction is followed.*
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- > **IF* you've been using any other method of cleaning files and stuff out of the Content.IE5 folder other than the use of IE Options>delete files>delete*
- > *all off–line content> OK>OK out. *Stop* doing that. The aforementioned process of using IE Options is the *only* safe and prescribed way of cleaning. (other than the DOS Deltree command)*
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- > *For XP follow the instructions at Mike Burgess' site as the process and paths differ from W98:*
- > *<http://mvps.org/winhelp2002/delcache.htm>*
- > *To delete the History folder and index.dat (XP)*
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- > *Log on as Administrator and delete the desired <username> folder and reboot.*
- > *(or log on as another user that has Administrator privileges)*
- > *Example: "C:\Documents and Settings\username\Local Settings\HISTORY"*
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- > *Instructions below courtesy of Henri Leboeuf:*
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- > *Reconfigure Windows Explorer to show Hidden Files:*
- > *Open the Windows Explorer Folder Options – View [tab]:*
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- > *Scroll down to the "Files and Folders" section.*
- > *Select: "Display the contents of system folders".*
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- > *Scroll down to the "Hidden Files and Folders" section.*
- > *Select: "Show hidden files and folders", Ok the prompt*
- > *Uncheck: "Hide file extensions for known file types"*
- > *Uncheck: "Hide protected operating system files" Ok the Prompt, click Apply*
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- > *Click the "Apply to all Folders" button. Close Windows Explorer.*
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> You may also have to go to Safe Mode to delete files/folders.
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> A Description of the Safe Mode Boot Options in Windows XP
> This article discusses the several Safe Boot options that Windows
supports.
> These options load a minimal set of drivers. You can use these options to
> start Windows so that you can modify the registry or load or remove
drivers.
> <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=315222> (XP 11/5/2003)
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> Web page: <http://www.colba.net/~hlebo49/index.htm>
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> How to make a good newsgroup post:
> <http://www.dts-l.org/goodpost.htm>
> <http://home.satx.rr.com/badour/html/post.html>
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> "zero" <repyl@newsgroup.please> wrote in message
> news:OWEeanwYEHA.2736@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...
>> My history is damaged. Tried some programs that clears everything in IE
>> including history, after clearing works a while, then that kind of
> problems
>> apperars...
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>> Days ago deleted some index.dat files, that was the begining of
> problems...
>> any idea about how to fix it? My history doesn't work good now.
>> Instead of showing html icons and links
>> a Folder called History.IE5 is shown above
>> and a file called desktop... (no extension shown or at least not html)
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>> Help please!
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