

Re: IE6 won't open a desktop .url shortcut?

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Logon as Administrator and open IE again. Now, set it as the default when you're prompted. If that still does not work, get Regmon from Sysinternals to check if you get any Access Denied error while choosing 'Yes' to the default browser prompt.

Workaround: Uncheck the prompt for default browser checkbox in Internet Options Programs tab.

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> Calm down, Bill. The link explains the symptom you said. Yes, a related
> problem and that's I pasted that URL. (assuming that the problem is with
the

> Internet Shortcuts - .URL files)

Err, there's no 'calming' needed. But hey, I appreciate the concern. I can imagine this stuff can frustrate the hell out of most folks. I've got a crapload of other things that need doing and wrestling with IE ain't my idea of fun.

> Have you tried the 2nd fix described in the site? If you did that (?)

Yes, did that and it didn't help.

> and the problem persist, you may need fix few registry keys. I don't have
a URL

> or HTTP association fix, which should actually do the trick. Export the
> following two keys from another Windows 2000 system and apply it yourself.
I poked at the Folder Options dialog for the URL file extension and the
URL:HTTP protocol. As did I re-register the dlls suggested on the linked
pages. It didn't appear to work.

> Remember that 'Reset Web Settings' repairs most of the settings above, so
> don't ignore that step.

After several pokes around with Folder Options, a reboot and a Reset Web Settings it now appears to work. Trouble is now it asks me every time if I want to make IE the default. I do, tell it so and yet when I open the browser up again (after closing of course) it asks me again. I'm telling to make IE the default but it doesn't seem to want to make it happen.

-Bill Kearney