

# Re: Outbox preview pane not updated after editing

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- *From:* "PA Bear" <[PABearMVP@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:PABearMVP@xxxxxxxxxx)>
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[Now for the rest of the story...]

Your current Identity may be damaged, especially if its the default Main Identity. Try one or more of your accounts in a new Named Identity (File > Identities > Add new identity). Assuming all is well, import messages from the old Identity before deleting it (File > Identities > Manage Identities).

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~PA Bear

John Carson wrote:

Thanks for the reply. I think, however, it would be less trouble to refresh the preview pane by just clicking away from the item in the Outbox and then clicking on it again. Actually, in experimenting with your Drafts suggestion, I have discovered that all I need to do to get the preview pane to refresh is click on the item in the Outbox.

The question remaining is: why do I have to do this now, when I haven't had to do it for the last 5 years or so.

"PA Bear" <[PABearMVP@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:PABearMVP@xxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message <news:uThdiEGHGA.344@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>  
> Save such messages to Drafts instead (or move them there before editing).  
> General OE Caveats:  
>  
> - Don't use Inbox or Sent Items to archive messages. Move them to local folders created for this purpose.  
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> - Empty Deleted Items folder daily.  
>  
> - Disable Background Compacting [N/A in SP2] and frequently perform a

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> manual compact of all OE folders while "working offline".  
More at  
> <http://www.insideoe.com/files/maintain.htm>.  
>  
> - Do not attempt to close OE via Task Manager or shutdown  
your  
> machine if Automatic Compacting is taking place (WinXP SP2  
only).  
>  
> - Your anti-virus application's email scanning feature can  
also cause  
> corruption. Disable it. It provides no additional  
protection.  
> --  
> ~Robear Dyer (PA Bear)  
> MS MVP-Windows (IE/OE, Shell/User, Security), Aumha.org  
VSOP,  
> DTS-L.org  
> John Carson wrote:  
> > When making newsgroup posts or sending emails, I have  
Outlook Express  
> > configured so that the item initially goes to the Outbox  
for review,  
> > before I finally send it to the intended recipient. After  
reading the  
> > Outbox item in the preview pane, I often decide to edit  
it.  
> > Accordingly, I double-click on the item in the Outbox,  
edit it, and  
> > then click Send. This puts it in the Outbox again.  
> >  
> > In the past, the preview pane has changed to reflect the  
editing  
> > that I have done, but that is no longer the case. I still  
see the  
> > original version.  
> > If I double-click on the item again to open it, then I see  
that the  
> > changes I have made are there, so the editing has  
"worked". It seems  
> > that the problem is that Outlook Express is caching the  
item in the  
> > Outbox and the preview is being taken from that cache and  
not being  
> > refreshed. If I click on the Outbox pane away from the  
item, so it is  
> > deselected, and then click on it again, the preview pane  
is  
> > refreshed and I see the new edits. However, this step  
wasn't  
> > necessary until the last week or so. I am using Windows XP

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Home with

> > all the latest updates.

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> > Has anyone else seen this and does anyone have any ideas  
about how

> > to fix it?