Re: .doc extension appears in Open box

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If you have Windows set to hide the extensions of known file types (the default setting) then normally Word documents being a known type would have their extensions hidden. If the registry association for Word documents has been lost, then the file types would no longer be 'known' file types and so the extensions would be displayed. My advice was to re−register Word so that the file type is again known to Windows.

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Ron O'Brien wrote:

> Graham,
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> I think you may have misinterpreted my problem (probably me not explaining it fully).
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> Normally when I go to open a document I have previously created I would go to File \ open and the open dialogue box appears with just the file names in for example: Document01. Now however, when that dialogue box appears that file is shown as: Document01.doc It is the same with MS Works, only files appear with the .wps visible
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> "Graham Mayor" <gmayor@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:%23cV7t9IVJHA.4888@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
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> > Whether or not you hide then extensions for known file types, they

are still required and it is probably a good idea to display them; however in this case it appears that the registry associations for these files may have been lost.

First see how to re−register Word when problems crop up opening files http://word.mvps.org/FAQs/AppErrors/ReRegisterWord.htm and if that doesn't fix it select a document in Windows Explorer, right click and choose Open with...

From the ensuing dialog select Word (winword.exe) and check the box to always open with this application.

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Ron O'Brien wrote:

> This is strange.... switched on the PC today and for some reason
> when I go to open a document in Word (Office2003) or Works the
> document title appears together with the file extension (i.e. .doc
> .wps etc). Although not a big issue, it is nevertheless irritating and I
> can't
> see why it should suddenly start doing this, when I switched off
> last night I didn't get the extensions − how do I switch them off
> again? Thanks in advance

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