

Prevent a CD-ROM from automatically launching

Inserting a CD-ROM into the drive will in many cases launch the program contained on the CD (this is called Autorun, and the launch is controlled by a file on the CD called Autorun.inf).

To disable this feature:

1. Open CONTROL PANEL (START | SETTINGS | CONTROL PANEL), and double click SYSTEM PROPERTIES.
2. Select the DEVICE MANAGER tab.
3. Double-click the CD-ROM icon, and right-click your CD-ROM drive.
4. Select PROPERTIES, and click the SETTINGS tab.
5. Uncheck the "Auto insert notification" check box.
6. Click OK, and then Close. You'll have to restart Windows for this change to take effect.

Remove the Speaker Icon from the Tray

The speaker icon in the lower-right of your toolbar (Tray,) enables you to open the Volume Control by clicking on it.

To remove the icon:

1. Right-click the speaker icon and choose ADJUST AUDIO PROPERTIES from the menu.
2. At the bottom of the AUDIO PROPERTIES window, there's a check-box "Show volume control on the taskbar," removing the check-mark in the box will remove the Icon from the Tray.

Change the size of Icons on your Desktop

To change the size of the Icons on the Desktop:

1. Right-click on the Desktop
2. Choose PROPERTIES from the context menu. On the APPEARANCE tab look in the Item list box. Once you find the Icon you can choose the size from the Size box.
3. Hit the APPLY button, once you are satisfied hit OK.

Turning off Password at start-up

If you have a network installed, each time you log on you will be asked for a password.

To disable this:

1. Right-click on the NETWORK NEIGHBORHOOD icon and select PROPERTIES.
2. On the CONFIGURATION tab, select WINDOWS LOGON in the Primary Network Logon box.
3. When Windows prompts you to restart your computer, click NO.
4. Click START | SETTINGS, then select CONTROL PANEL
5. Double-click the PASSWORDS icon.
6. On the CHANGE PASSWORDS tab, click the CHANGE WINDOWS PASSWORD button.
7. Click OK, then set a blank password.