Windows

Make Windows snappy -> Turn off "animate controlls and elements inside windows"



Every once in a while, run the "Disk Cleanup" tool that comes with Windows



In File Explorer, on the View ribbon, click Options. On the resulting dialog in the Privacy section at the bottom of the General tab, turn off the option to show recently used folders to Quick Access Save that setting.



Never download software from the Microsoft Store, you won't be able to create a shortcut from your .exe

Shortcuts

General

Action	Shortcut
Display desktop	Windows d
Open file explorer	Windows e
Delete whole word	Ctrl Backspace
Select characters	Shift arrow
Select words	Ctrl Shift arrow
Show symbols	Windows .
Always on top	Windows Ctrl t
Enable clipboard history	Windows v
Sticky notes	Windows Alt s
Task switcher	Alt tab
Task view	Windows tab
Move Desktop	Ctrl windows \leftarrow or \rightarrow
Open widgets	Windows W

File Explorer

Action	Shortcut
Create new folder	Ctrl Shift n
Copy file path	Ctrl Shift c

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Action	Shortcut
GoTo	Ctrl p
Explorer	f10
Switch side	Tab
Command Palette	Ctrl Shift p

Windows Run Commands

%appdata% shell:startup taskschd.msc

Codecs

K-Lite For all common audio and video file formats

Drivers

Novation Components	Novation Components
Wacom	Wacom

Clean install windows

Command Prompt

Show folder structure

Move to the folder by using CD Put this behind the file path

tree /a /f > output.doc

Output.doc is the document file where the entire directory tree is saved. Open it to check out the tree!

Delete all "._Thumbs.db" files

Open a Command Prompt or Terminal: On Windows, press Win + R, type cmd, and hit Enter. On macOS or Linux, open the Terminal. Navigate to the Directory: Use the cd command to navigate to the directory where your files are located. For example:

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cd /path/to/your/directory
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Delete the Files: Run the following command to delete all "._Thumbs.db" files in the directory and its subdirectories:



del /s /q ._Thumbs.db

/s searches for files in subdirectories. /q suppresses confirmation prompts. If you're on macOS or Linux, use the rm command instead:

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find . -type f -name "._Thumbs.db" -exec rm {} \;
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Confirm Deletion: Verify that the files have been deleted by checking the directory. Remember to replace /path/to/your/directory with the actual path to your file structure. Be cautious when deleting files, especially system files, to avoid unintended consequences.

Automated tasks

Windows has a build in Task Scheduler that you can use in combination with scripts. This gives you an easy way to create a backup or any other task that needs to happen periodically. Usually you can use a .bat script for the execution and a .vbs script to keep the terminal in the background



Use Robocopy to automate backups

Emergency

Name	Description
Display Driver Uninstaller	For when you are having display issues

WSL





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