
Subject: Removing Windows messenger

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Quote:How do I disable Windows Messenger from running?

The procedures for disabling Windows Messenger will depend on the version of Windows Messenger installed on your computer.

Windows Messenger 4.0 or Later on a Windows XP Professional

- 1) Click Start, click Run, type gpedit.msc, and then press ENTER
- 2) Double-click the following items to expand them:

- * Local Computer Policy
- * Computer Configuration
- * Administrative Templates
- * Windows Components
- * Windows Messenger

- 3) Double-click on the option "Do not allow Windows Messenger to run", and then click Enabled.
- 4) Click OK, and then close the window

Windows Messenger 4.0 on a Windows XP Home Edition

- 1) Start Windows Messenger.
- 2) Click Options on the Tools menu.
- 3) Click the Preferences tab, click to clear the "Run this program when Windows starts" check box, and then click OK.

Windows Messenger 4.5 or Later on Either Windows XP Home or Windows XP Professional

- 1) Click on Start, Run
- 2) Type REGEDIT and Press Enter
- 3) Click on the Pluses (+) next to the following items

- * HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE
- * Software
- * Policies
- * Microsoft

- 4) If the folder Messenger is not listed, click on the Edit menu, point to New, click Key, and then type Messenger for the name of the new registry key
- 5) If the folder Client is not listed under Messenger, click on the Edit menu, point to New, click Key, and then type Client for the name of the new registry key
- 6) On the Edit Menu, point to New, click DWORD Value, and then type PreventRun for the name of the new DWORD value. Remember all of this is case sensitive.
- 7) Right-click the PreventRun value that you created, click Modify, type 1 in the Value data box,

and then click OK.
Quit Registry Editor.
