

## WINDOWS XP HIDDEN APPS

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To run any of these apps go to Start > Run and type the executable name (ie charmap).

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- 1) Character Map = charmap.exe (very useful for finding unusual characters)
- 2) Disk Cleanup = cleanmgr.exe
- 3) Clipboard Viewer = clipbrd.exe (views contents of Windows clipboard)
- 4) Dr Watson = drwtsn32.exe (Troubleshooting tool)
- 5) DirectX diagnosis = dxdiag.exe (Diagnose & test DirectX, video & sound cards)
- 6) Private character editor = eudcedit.exe (allows creation or modification of characters)
- 7) IExpress Wizard = iexpress.exe (Create self-extracting / self-installing package)
- 8) Microsoft Synchronization Manager = mobsync.exe (appears to allow synchronization of files on the network for when working offline. Apparently undocumented).
- 9) Windows Media Player 5.1 = mplay32.exe (Retro version of Media Player, very basic).
- 10) ODBC Data Source Administrator = odbcad32.exe (something to do with databases)
- 11) Object Packager = packager.exe (to do with packaging objects for insertion in files, appears to have comprehensive help files).
- 12) System Monitor = perfmon.exe (very useful, highly configurable tool, tells you everything you ever wanted to know about any aspect of PC performance, for uber-geeks only )
- 13) Program Manager = progman.exe (Legacy Windows 3.x desktop shell).
- 14) Remote Access phone book = rasphone.exe (documentation is virtually non-existent).
- 15) Registry Editor = regedt32.exe [also regedit.exe] (for hacking the Windows Registry).
- 16) Network shared folder wizard = shrpubw.exe (creates shared folders on network).
- 17) File signature verification tool = sigverif.exe
- 18) Volume Control = sndvol32.exe (I've included this for those people that lose it from the System

Notification area).

19) System Configuration Editor = sysedit.exe (modify System.ini & Win.ini just like in Win98! ).

20) Syskey = syskey.exe (Secures XP Account database - use with care, it's virtually undocumented but it appears to encrypt all passwords, I'm not sure of the full implications).

21) Microsoft Telnet Client = telnet.exe

22) Driver Verifier Manager = verifier.exe (seems to be a utility for monitoring the actions of drivers, might be useful for people having driver problems. Undocumented).

23) Windows for Workgroups Chat = winchat.exe (appears to be an old NT utility to allow chat sessions over a LAN, help files available).

24) System configuration = msconfig.exe (can use to control startup programs)

25) gpedit.msc used to manage group policies, and permissions