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Run Commands in Windows 7

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A Windows 7 run command is just the executable for a particular program. In other words, a run command is the name of the actual file that starts an application.

Knowing a Windows 7 run command can be helpful if Windows won't start but you do have access to Command Prompt. Having quick access from the *Run* box is nice too.

Need help or don't see a run command you need? **More help is below the table.**

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Run Command Cheat Sheet for Windows 7	
Program Name	**Run Command**
About Windows	winver
Add a Device	devicepairingwizard
Add Hardware Wizard	hdwwiz
Advanced User Accounts	netplwiz
Authorization Manager	azman
Backup and Restore	sdclt
Bluetooth File Transfer	fsquirt
Calculator	calc
Certificates	certmgr
Change Computer Performance Settings	systempropertiesperformance
Change Data Execution Prevention Settings	systempropertiesdataexecutionprevention
Change Printer Settings	printui
Character Map	charmap

ClearType Tuner	cttune
Color Management	colorcpl
Command Prompt	cmd
Component Services	comexp
Component Services	dcomcnfg
Computer Management	compmgmt
Computer Management	compmgmtlauncher
Connect to a Network Projector	netproj
Connect to a Projector	displayswitch
Control Panel	control
Create A Shared Folder Wizard	shrpubw
Create a System Repair Disc	recdisc
Credential Backup and Restore Wizard	credwiz
Data Execution Prevention	systempropertiesdataexecutionprevention
Default Location	locationnotifications
Device Manager	devmgmt
Device Pairing Wizard	devicepairingwizard
Diagnostics Troubleshooting Wizard	msdt
Digitizer Calibration Tool	tabcal
DirectX Diagnostic Tool	dxdiag
Disk Cleanup	cleanmgr
Disk Defragmenter	dfrgui
Disk Management	diskmgmt
Display	dpiscaling
Display Color Calibration	dccw
Display Switch	displayswitch
DPAPI Key Migration Wizard	dpapimig
Driver Verifier Manager	verifier
Ease of Access Center	utilman
EFS REKEY Wizard	rekeywiz
Encrypting File System Wizard	rekeywiz
Event Viewer	eventvwr
Fax Cover Page Editor	fxscover
File Signature Verification	sigverif
Font Viewer	fontview[3]
Getting Started	gettingstarted
IExpress Wizard	iexpress
Import to Windows Contacts	wabmig[1]
Internet Explorer	iexplore[1]
iSCSI Initiator Configuration Tool	iscsicpl
iSCSI Initiator Properties	iscsicpl
Language Pack Installer	lpksetup
Local Group Policy Editor	gpedit
Local Security Policy	secpol

Local Users and Groups	lusrmgr
Location Activity	locationnotifications
Magnifier	magnify
Malicious Software Removal Tool	mrt
Manage Your File Encryption Certificates	rekeywiz
Math Input Panel	mip[1]
Microsoft Management Console	mmc
Microsoft Support Diagnostic Tool	msdt
NAP Client Configuration	napclcfg
Narrator	narrator
New Scan Wizard	wiaacmgr
Notepad	notepad
ODBC Data Source Administrator	odbcad32
ODBC Driver Configuration	odbcconf
On-Screen Keyboard	osk
Paint	mspaint
Performance Monitor	perfmon
Performance Options	systempropertiesperformance
Phone Dialer	dialer
Presentation Settings	presentationsettings
Print Management	printmanagement
Printer Migration	printbrmui
Printer User Interface	printui
Private Character Editor	eudcedit
Problem Steps Recorder	psr
Protected Content Migration	dpapimig
Registry Editor	regedit, regedt32[4]
Remote Access Phonebook	rasphone
Remote Desktop Connection	mstsc
Resource Monitor	resmon, perfmon /res
Resultant Set of Policy	rsop
Securing the Windows Account Database	syskey
Services	services
Set Program Access and Computer Defaults	computerdefaults
Share Creation Wizard	shrpubw
Shared Folders	fsmgmt
Snipping Tool	snippingtool
Sound Recorder	soundrecorder
SQL Server Client Network Utility	cliconfg
Sticky Notes	stikynot
Stored User Names and Passwords	credwiz
Sync Center	mobsync
System Configuration	msconfig
System Configuration Editor	sysedit[5]

System Information	msinfo32
System Properties (Advanced Tab)	systempropertiesadvanced
System Properties (Computer Name Tab)	systempropertiescomputername
System Properties (Hardware Tab)	systempropertieshardware
System Properties (Remote Tab)	systempropertiesremote
System Properties (System Protection Tab)	systempropertiesprotection
System Restore	rstrui
Tablet PC Input Panel	tabtip[1]
Task Manager	taskmgr
Task Scheduler	taskschd
Trusted Platform Module (TPM) Management	tpm
User Account Control Settings	useraccountcontrolsettings
Utility Manager	utilman
Version Reporter Applet	winver
Volume Mixer	sndvol
Windows Activation Client	slui
Windows Anytime Upgrade Results	windowsanytimeupgraderesults
Windows Contacts	wab[1]
Windows Disc Image Burning Tool	isoburn
Windows DVD Maker	dvdmaker[1]
Windows Easy Transfer	migwiz[1]
Windows Explorer	explorer
Windows Fax and Scan	wfs
Windows Features	optionalfeatures
Windows Firewall with Advanced Security	wf
Windows Help and Support	winhlp32
Windows Journal	journal[1]
Windows Media Player	dvdplay[2], wmplayer[1]
Windows Memory Diagnostic Scheduler	mdsched
Windows Mobility Center	mblctr
Windows Picture Acquisition Wizard	wiaacmgr
Windows PowerShell	powershell[1]
Windows PowerShell ISE	powershell_ise[1]
Windows Remote Assistance	msra
Windows Repair Disc	recdisc
Windows Script Host	wscript
Windows Update	wuapp
Windows Update Standalone Installer	wusa
WMI Management	wmimgmt
WMI Tester	wbemtest
WordPad	write
XPS Viewer	xpsrchvw

Don't See a Run Command You Needed?

Please know, however, that many Windows 7 run command lists online incorrectly include Command Prompt commands or Control Panel "commands" as run commands when technically they are not.

See Command Prompt Commands in Windows 7 and Control Panel Command Line Commands for more information on those types of commands, all of which I have listed out in those pieces.

The Small Print

There are a few Windows 7 run commands that work differently in some situations, or not at all from one command line interface to another in Windows.

For example, a number of executables in Windows 7 can only be run from the *Run* box and not Command Prompt, and some others are only available in certain versions of Windows 7.

[1] This run command cannot be executed from the Command Prompt because the file is not in the default Windows path. However, it can be run from the Windows Search box or the Run box.

[2] The display run command opens Windows Media Player and automatically starts to play the DVD movie in the primary DVD drive.

[3] You must follow the *font view* run command with the name of the font that you wish to see.

[4] When you execute the *regedt32* run command, it simply forwards to *regedit* and executes that program instead. Two distinct versions of Registry Editor did exist in some earlier versions of Windows.

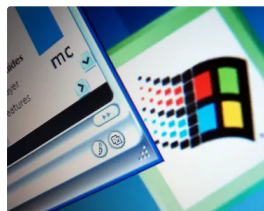[5] This run command is not available in 64-bit versions of Windows 7.

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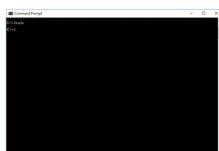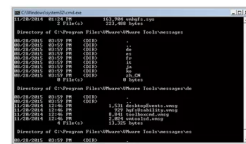

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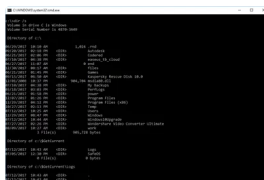
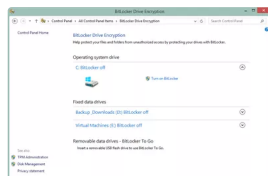**What You Need to Know About Commands in Windows**

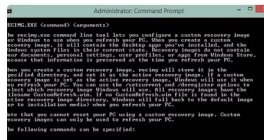**What Are the Windows Run Commands to Help You Work Your System?**

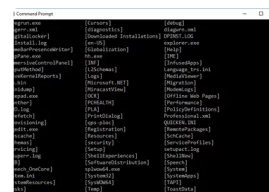**Do More with Windows Vista Using These CMD Commands**
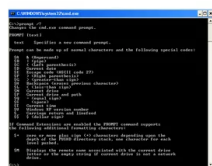

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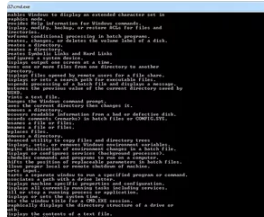**Here are the New, and Removed, Commands in Windows 8**

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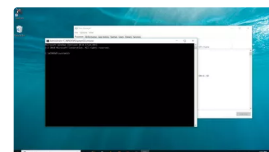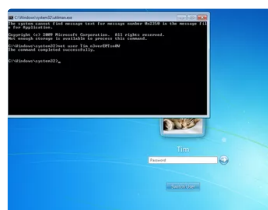**Unleash the Full Potential of Windows XP with These CMD Commands**

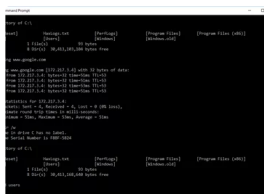**Unleash the Full Potential of Windows XP with These CMD Commands**

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