

## REGSVR32

Register or unregister a DLL

Syntax  
REGSVR32

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This DLL is required to export the entry points that will be called depending on the selected option: DLLRegisterServer, DLLUnRegisterServer or DLLInstall.

Regsvr32 requires [Elevation](#).

ActiveX controls are now [deprecated](#) and will only run in Internet Explorer.

- DLLInstall is used only for application installation and setup. It should not be called by an application.
- DLLRegisterServer Instructs an in-process server to create its registry entries for all classes supported in the module.
- DLLUnregisterServer Instructs an in-process server to remove only those entries created through DLLRegisterServer.

If you run REGSVR32 *dllname.dll* when the file is already registered, this will display a Pop Up message: "The module *ModuleName* was loaded but the Entry-point DllRegisterServer was not found."

On a 64-bit version of Windows Operating System, there are two versions of the Regsvr32.exe file:

- The 64-bit version is %systemroot%\System32\regsvr32.exe
- The 32-bit version is %systemroot%\SysWow64\regsvr32.exe

To use the 32-bit version of Regsvr32 to register a 32-bit DLL on a 64-bit version of Windows, Open an [elevated](#) prompt and run a command like:

%systemroot%\SysWow64\regsvr32 *full\_path\_of\_the\_DLL*

### Examples

Unregister (Disable) CAB file viewer:

```
C:\> regsvr32.exe /u C:\Windows\System32\cabview.dll
```

Register (enable) CAB file viewer:

```
C:\> regsvr32.exe cabview.dll
```

Register DAO 3.6 (Data Access Objects):

```
C:\> regsvr32.exe "C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\DAO\DAO360.DLL"
```

*“I was planning to go into architecture. But when I arrived, architecture was filled up. Acting was right next to it. So I signed up for acting instead” ~ Tom Selleck (on his college registration experience)*

### Related commands

- [MSIEXEC](#) - Microsoft Windows Installer.
- [RUNDLL32](#) - Run a DLL command.

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