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The type or namespace name XXX could not be found(are you missing using directive or an assembly reference?)

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Hi Friends,

I got the below issue,

i've referenced DLL from the project and added **Using** in the program to get the namespace.
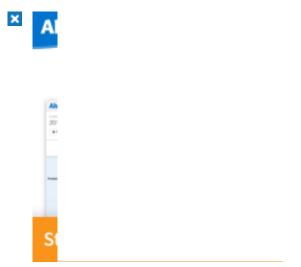
But it's giving the issue saying "The type or namespace name XXX could not be found(are you missing using directive or an assembly reference?)"

Do i need to add anything in the App.Config file??

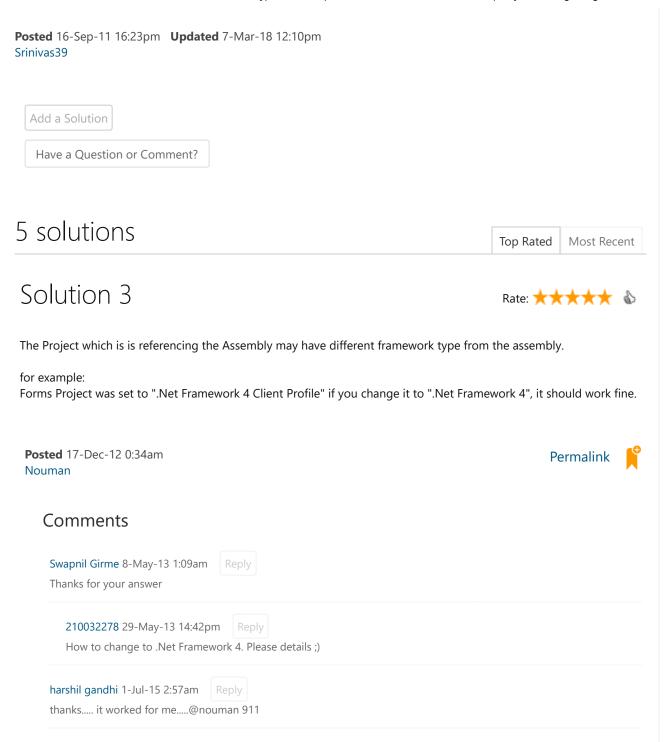Please help me by providing solution to this, Thanks in advance.

Regards,
Srinivas

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Posted 16-Sep-11 16:23pm   **Updated** 7-Mar-18 12:10pm

Srinivas39

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Solution 3

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The Project which is is referencing the Assembly may have different framework type from the assembly.

for example:
Forms Project was set to ".Net Framework 4 Client Profile" if you change it to ".Net Framework 4", it should work fine.

Posted 17-Dec-12 0:34am   Permalink

Nouman

Comments

Swapnil Girme 8-May-13 1:09am   Reply

Thanks for your answer

210032278 29-May-13 14:42pm   Reply

How to change to .Net Framework 4. Please details ;)

harshil gandhi 1-Jul-15 2:57am   Reply

thanks..... it worked for me.....@nouman 911

Pramod Sutar 29-Apr-17 6:37am   Reply

It works for me for adding windows custom control reference issue..thanks

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Solution 1

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No.
Normally, just the reference and the using are enough - there is nothing else you should need to add.

Place the cursor in the name of the class you are trying to use. Does a small red line appear at the right hand side of the name?
If is does, hover the mouse over it and open the drop down when it appears. That will offer you options for solving the problem.

If it doesn't, does it appear at the left hand side?
If it does, hover the mouse again, and open the drop down. If this is basically "create the class" than the reference is not in properly - double check your references and the DLL / namespace for the class.

If all this fails, try a full re-build and see what happens.

Posted 16-Sep-11 16:37pm
OriginalGriff

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Solution 2

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I can only conclude that you haven't referenced all the correct DLLs as you don't need to anything else.

There are a few gotchas to be aware of

The same namespace can be used in multiple dll's.

If you have written a project (call it projectA) that calls `system.web` and then write another project (call it projectB) that references projectA, you will also need to add a reference to `system.web` in projectB too.

Posted 16-Sep-11 16:41pm
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Srinivas39 16-Sep-11 6:09am   Reply

I've refered all the DLLs, but getting the same :(

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Solution 5

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I copied an example of implementing image slide show from the internet and had the same problem. I got the refered error although in my case the code was not in App_Code folder. The code that was causing this error was in a folder that contained the user control. Because of the way compiler works the page with control was being compiled before the code of the control and so the referenced code could not be found resulting in error!

I therefore went to the folder with the control, right clicked the the control and chose the build page option thereby compiling the control code. Note the compiler does not recompile a code unless there has been changes in that code. Running the web site did not give the error.

Samuel Kamau

Posted 26-Jan-15 18:26pm
Samuel Kamau

Comments

TheRealSteveJudge 26-Jan-15 7:32am   Reply

You answered a very old question...

CHill60 26-Jan-15 7:45am   Reply

See solution 1 from 3 years ago. A full rebuild would have solved this as OriginalGriff suggested

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Solution 4

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Open your project file with a text editor and verify that the RootNamespace element is correct as well as the AssemblyName element. I ran into this problem after renaming an existing project. Apparently Visual Studio doesn't handle such things very well.

Posted 6-Aug-14 9:28am   **Updated** 6-Aug-14 9:29am   v2
RandyBlackmond

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