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### Add or Remove Folders from This PC in Windows 10

*How Add or Remove Folders from This PC in Windows 10*

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## How Add or Remove Folders from This PC in Windows 10

The This PC window includes a **Folders** group that displays a linked **3D Objects**, **Desktop**, **Documents**, **Downloads**, **Music**, **Pictures**, and **Videos** folder from the current user account's "C:\Users\user-name" profile folder location.

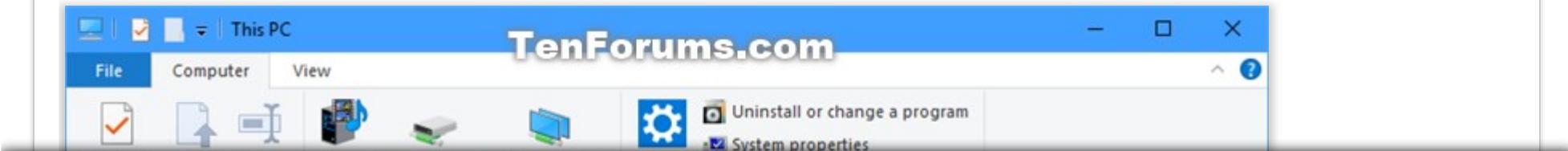
While you can collapse or expand the **Folders** group in This PC, you may wish to remove all or specific folders instead. Removing all of the user folders will also remove the **Folders** group in This PC since it would be empty.

This tutorial will show you how to add or remove the default 3D Objects, Desktop, Documents, Downloads, Music, Pictures, and Videos **Folders** in **This PC** for all users in **Windows 10**.

 You must be signed in as an **administrator** to be able to add or remove Folders in This PC.

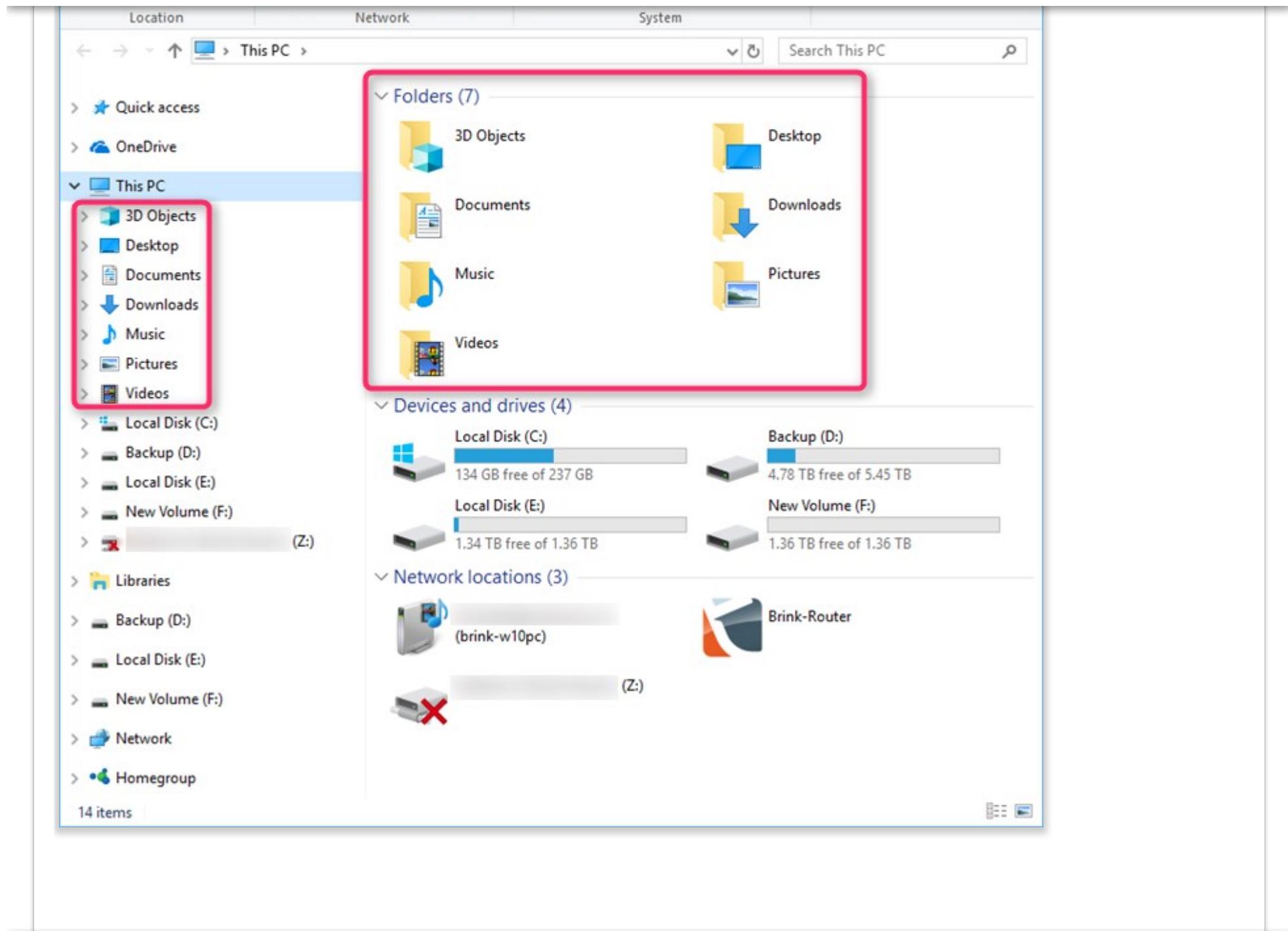
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**EXAMPLE: Folders in This PC**

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## \*>>> OPTION ONE <<<\*

### To Remove Folders in This PC (METHOD ONE)

 This option will break these **folders on the Start List** until restored in **versions** of Windows 10 before the **Windows 10 Fall Creators Update**. This issue has been fixed in the Windows 10 Fall Creators Update.

1. Do **step 2** (all), **step 3** (3D Objects), **step 4** (Desktop), **step 5** (Documents), **step 6** (Downloads), **step 7** (Music), **step 8** (Pictures), or **step 9** (Videos) for what you would like to do.

#### 2. To Remove All Default User Folders in This PC

- A) Click/tap on the Download button below to download the .reg file below for your **32-bit or 64-bit Windows 10**, and go to **step 10** below.

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#### 3. To Remove Only 3D Objects Folder in This PC

 The "3D Objects" folder was added to "This PC" starting with **Windows 10 build 16226**.

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#### 4. To Remove Only Desktop Folder in This PC

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#### 5. To Remove Only Documents Folder in This PC

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## 6. To Remove Only Downloads Folder in This PC

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## 7. To Remove Only Music Folder in This PC

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## 8. To Remove Only Pictures Folder in This PC

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## 9. To Remove Only Videos Folder in This PC

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**10.** Save the .reg file to your desktop.

**11.** Double click/tap on the downloaded .reg file to merge it.

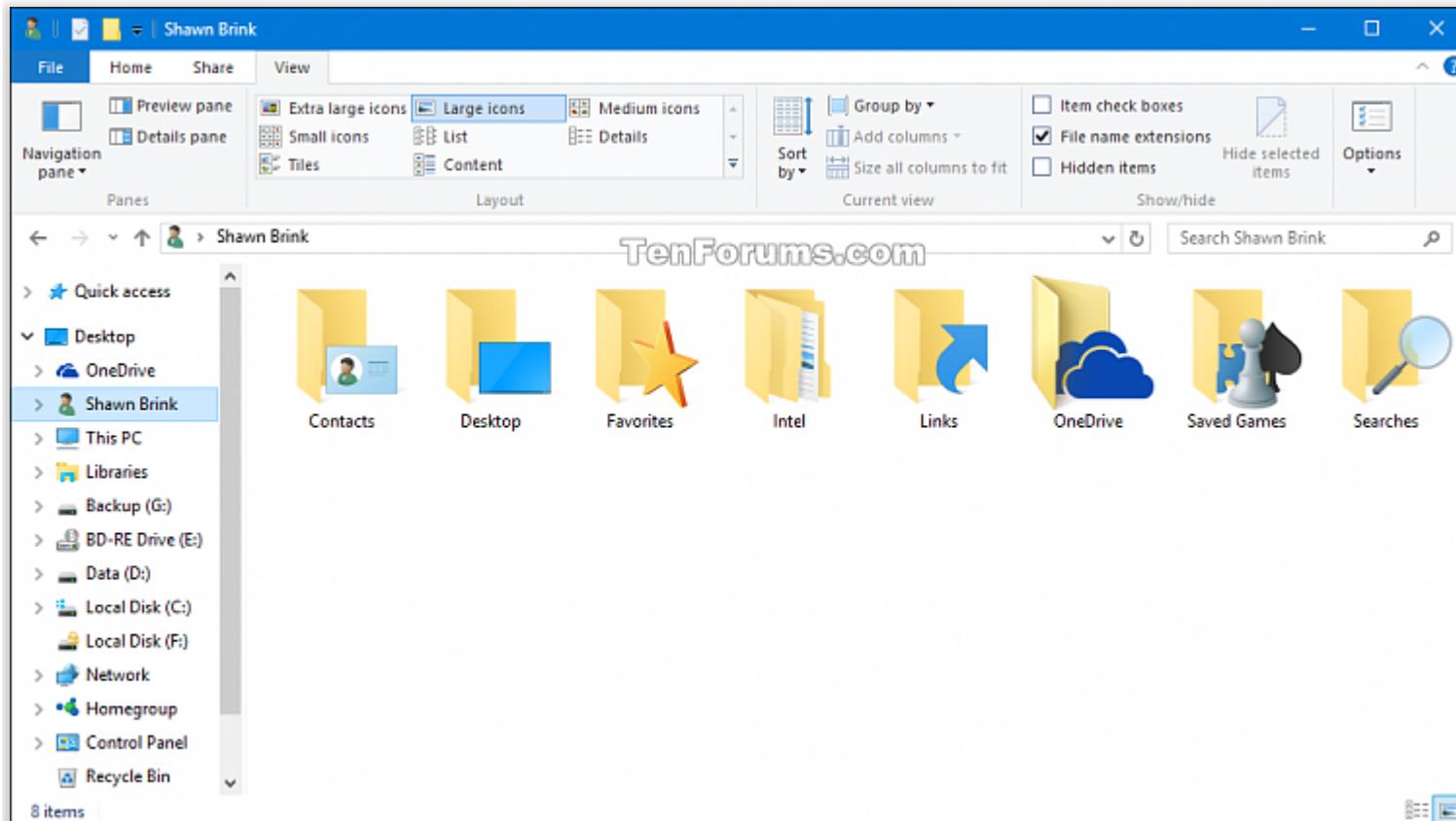
13. If File Explorer is currently open, then refresh (F5) the window to apply.
14. If you like, you can delete the downloaded .reg file if you like.

## OPTION TWO

### To Remove Folders in This PC (METHOD TWO)

 When you remove folders in This PC using this option, it will also remove them from your separate user profile folder group in the navigation pane when you have **Show all folders** turned on. If wanted, you can **pin these folders to Quick access** to have them show under it in the navigation pane.

The removed folders will still be in your actual "C:\Users\user-name" (%UserProfile%) folder location in File Explorer.



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### 3. To Remove Only 3D Objects Folder in This PC



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### 4. To Remove Only Desktop Folder in This PC

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## 5. To Remove Only Documents Folder in This PC

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## 6. To Remove Only Downloads Folder in This PC

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## 7. To Remove Only Music Folder in This PC

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## 8. To Remove Only Pictures Folder in This PC

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## 9. To Remove Only Videos Folder in This PC

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10. Save the .reg file to your desktop.
11. Double click/tap on the downloaded .reg file to merge it.
12. If prompted, click/tap on Run, Yes (UAC), Yes, and OK to approve the merge.
13. You can either [restart explorer](#) process or [restart computer](#) to apply.
14. If you like, you can delete the downloaded .reg file if you like.

## OPTION THREE

### To Restore Folders in This PC

1. Do [step 2](#) (all), [step 3](#) (3D Objects), [step 4](#) (Desktop), [step 5](#) (Documents), [step 6](#) (Downloads), [step 7](#) (Music), [step 8](#) (Pictures), or [step 9](#) (Videos) for what you would like to do.

### 2. To Restore All Default User Folders in This PC

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### 3. To Restore Only 3D Objects Folder in This PC



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### 4. To Restore Only Desktop Folder in This PC

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## 5. To Restore Only Documents Folder in This PC

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## 6. To Restore Only Downloads Folder in This PC

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## 7. To Restore Only Music Folder in This PC

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## 8. To Restore Only Pictures Folder in This PC

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## 9. To Restore Only Videos Folder in This PC

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10. Save the .reg file to your desktop.

11. Double click/tap on the downloaded .reg file to merge it.

12. If prompted, click/tap on **Run, Yes (UAC)**, **Yes**, and **OK** to approve the merge.

13. You can either [restart explorer](#) process or [restart computer](#) to apply

14. If you like, you can delete the downloaded .reg file if you like.

That's it,  
Shawn

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23 May 2015

#1

This registry procedure does not appear to work now (build 10122).

I tried using the documents folder reg file and it does not remove the key.

I have since deleted the key manually and the documents folder still does not disappear from 'This PC'.

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#2

23 May 2015

Hello Quiberon, and welcome to Ten Forums.

It looks like Documents was changed in build 10122. I have updated the .reg files for Documents in the tutorial so that they will work now. Please try the new ones to see if they work for you as well. :)

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#3

23 May 2015

Hi,

I'll try it later today, I've shut down my laptop with windows 10 on it.

By the way the other folders don't get removed either.

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I was just noticing that. All .reg files updated to work now.

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#5

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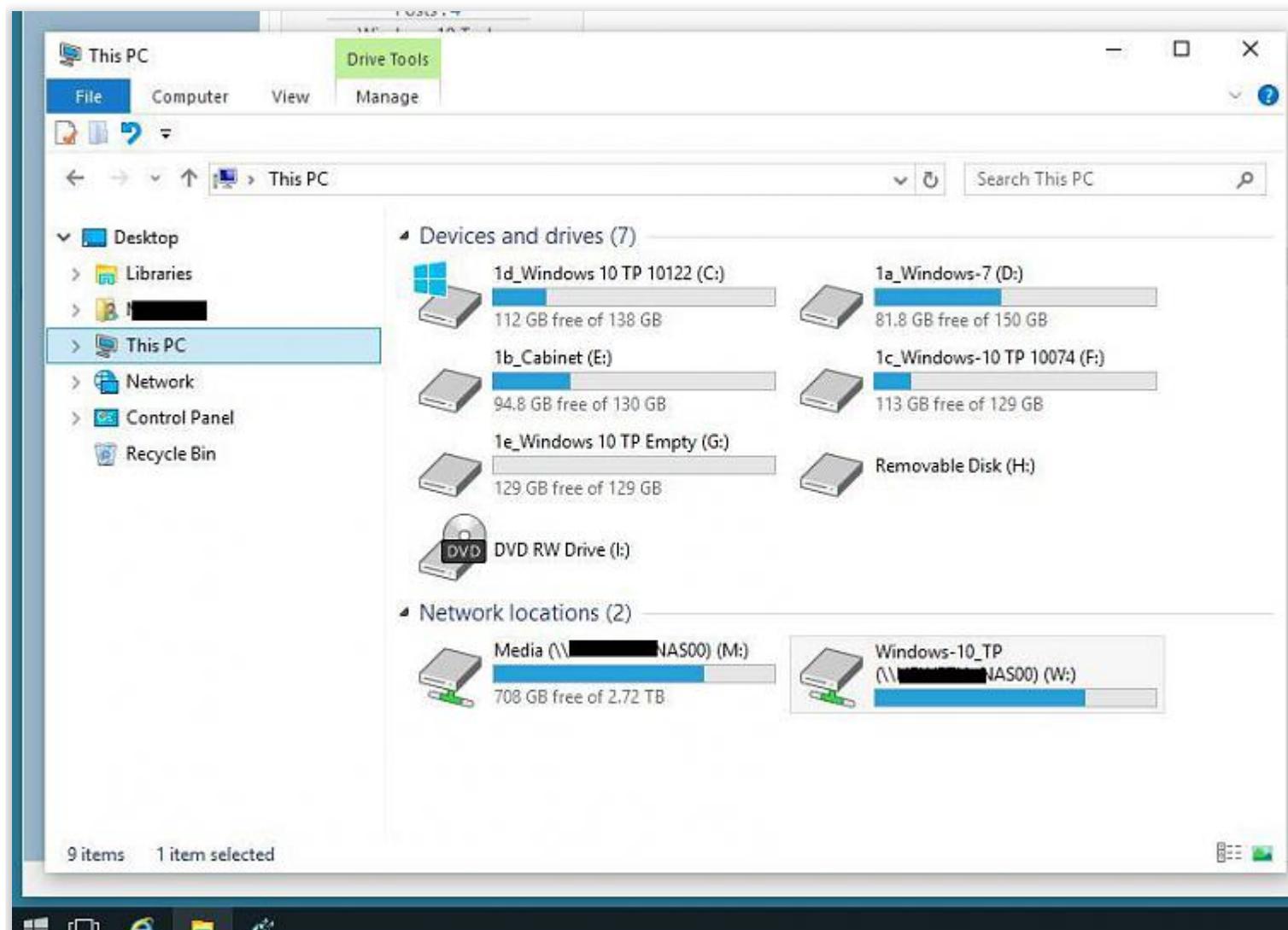
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Thanks,

I can confirm the procedure is now working again.

What my explorer window now looks like:



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#6

You're welcome. :)

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#7

This no longer works with build 10130. You need to also remove the same keys from the following location in the registry:

"HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Wow6432Node\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\MyComputer\NameSpace"

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Hello Ledah, and welcome to Ten Forums.

Thank you for the heads up.

I tested it again on my clean install 64-bit Windows 10 build 10130, and it's still working for me.

Did you restart explorer or the computer afterwards to see if that may be the issue?

If so, then please post a screenshot showing where you still see the folders at to see what the issue may be. :)

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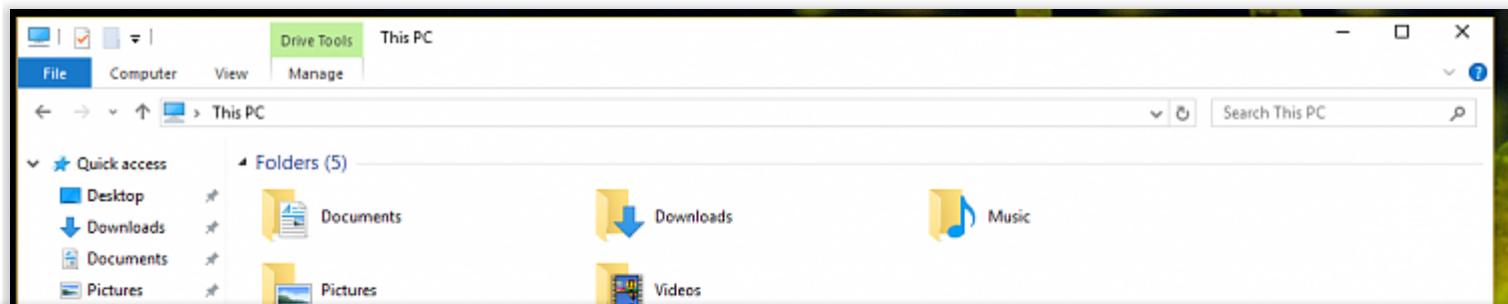
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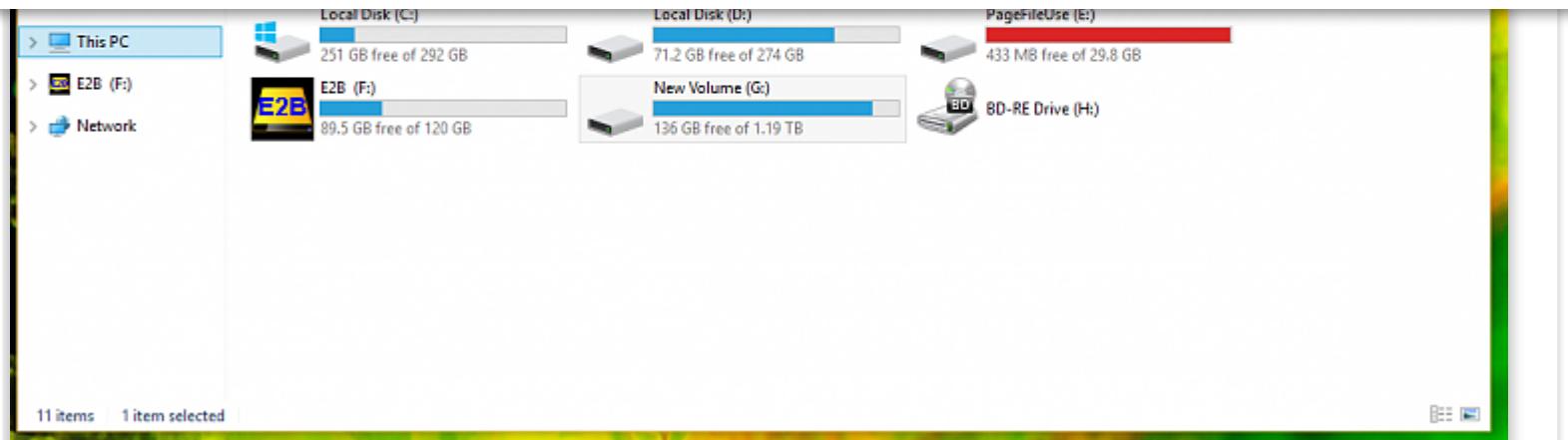
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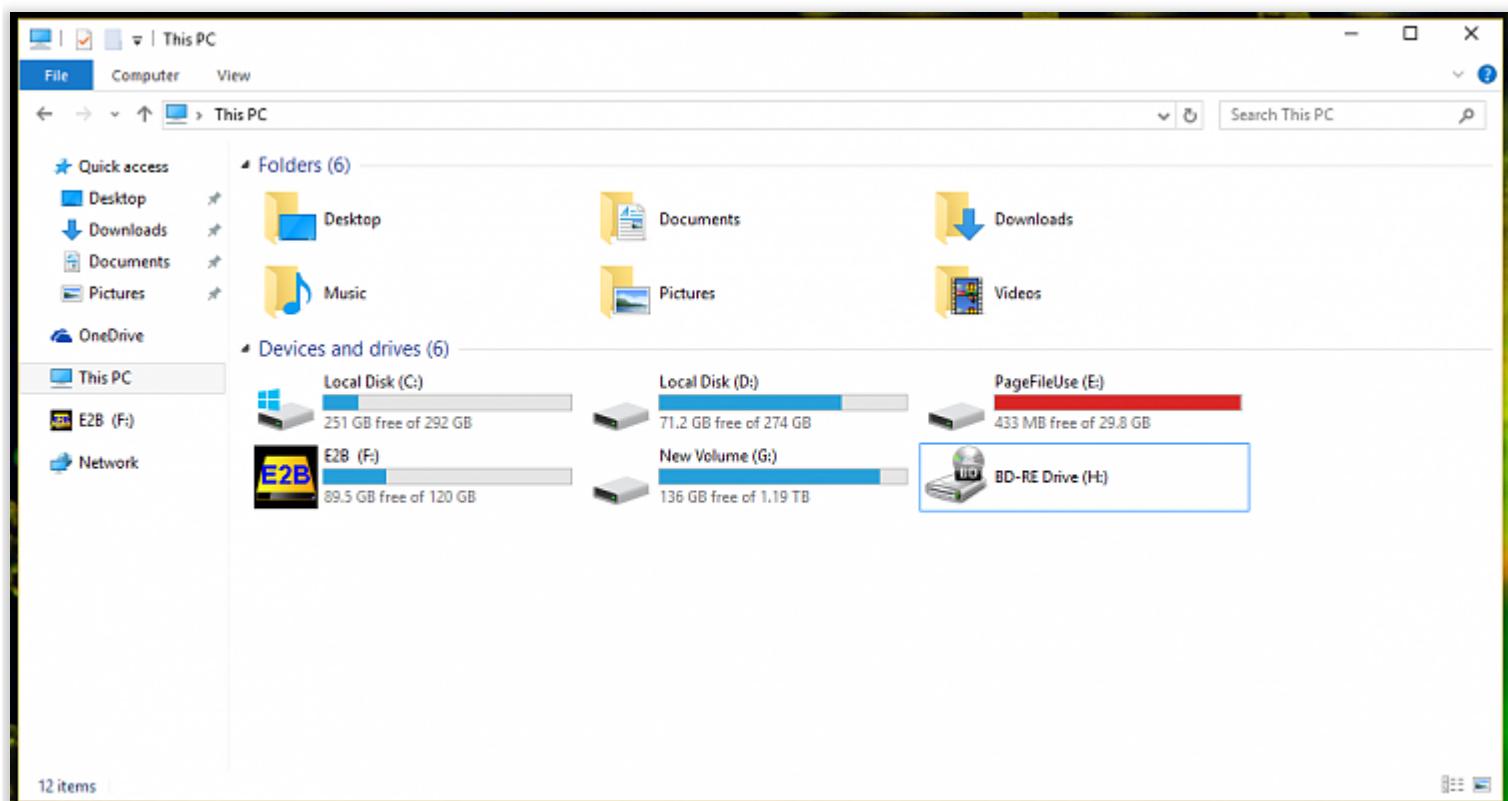
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Took me awhile to get back to this. I fresh installed build 10130 and then ran your .reg to remove the folders and the result is in the attached WithReg.png.

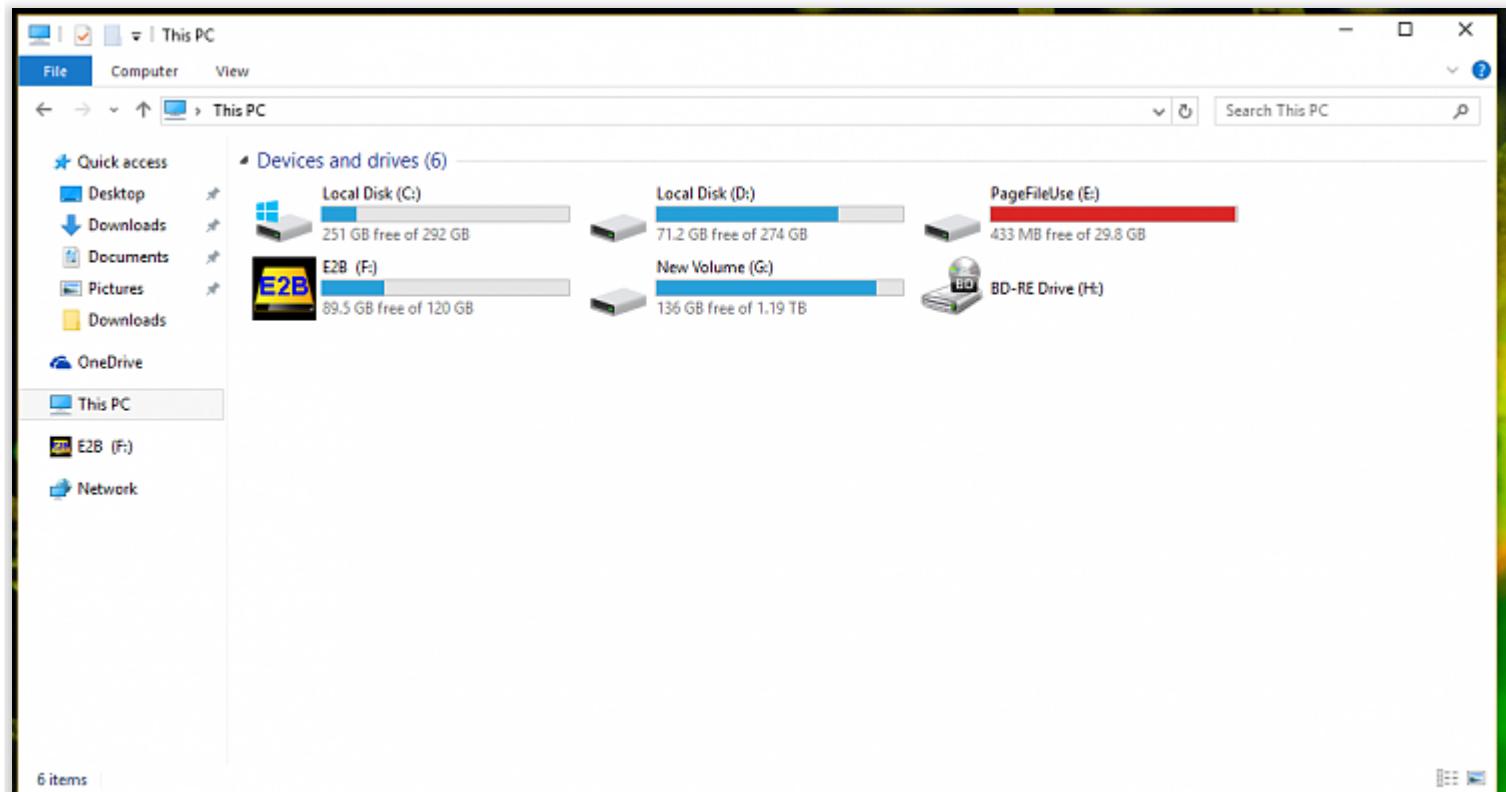




After running your .reg file, I restarted explorer and the result looked the same. I then restarted the PC and instead of the five folders, the window looked like the attached WithoutReg.png.



In I add the code I posted prior to this reply, I have all folders removed and it looks like the attached AfterEditReg.png.



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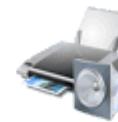
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