

Registry Tweaks

[Richard Frost](#) © Copyright 2013

Warning: These files will make changes to your registry. While I have tested these modifications extensively, they come with no warranty. Please be careful.

Applying Registry Files

To add one of these registry files to your system follow these steps:

1. Right-click the link for the desired registry tweak (see below for options) and choose save link.
2. Once the file has been downloaded, double-click on the .reg file and answer **Yes** or **Allow** to the prompts.
 - a. If the file will not run you may need to **Unblock** it by right-clicking the file and choosing properties.

Standard (Recommended)

Context Menu

- Copy TXT file contents to clipboard. (**All Users**)
- Open with Notepad for all file types. (**All Users**)
- Run VBS files as Administrator. (**All Users**)
- Desktop Menu: Run dialog & Power Menu (Shutdown, Restart, etc.). (**All Users**)

Expanded Context Menu (Shift + Right-click)

- Open Command Window Here as Administrator. (**All Users**)
- Take Ownership of files and folders (Advanced). (**All Users**)

Other Settings

- Add several useful commands into the "Run" history described below.
- Disable Aero Shake.
- Disable hiding known file extensions (Show all file extensions).
- Disable "Internet Open With" dialog for unknown file types.
- Disable "Shortcut to" from being prepended to shortcuts.
- Disable Windows Update auto-reboot. (**All Users**)
- Prevent Windows Update from hijacking the shutdown button.

Expanded

Same features as standard, but places entries from the Expanded Context Menu to the standard Menu.

Undo

Removes entries added by tweaks-standard.reg and tweaks-expanded.reg and restores defaults.

Run (Win + R)

To easily access your run history, open up the Run dialog box (Win + R) and use the dropdown or start typing the desired command.

The following table describes the entries that will be added into your run history:

Command	Description
AppWiz.cpl	Add/Remove Programs
CMD	Command Prompt
CompMgmt.msc	Computer Management
Control	Control Panel
DevMgmt.msc	Device Manager
DiskMgmt.msc	Disk Management
EventVwr.msc	Event Viewer
GPEdit.msc	Group Policy Editor
GPMC.msc	Group Policy Management Console
MSTSC	Microsoft Terminal Services Client
NCPA.cpl	Network Adapters
PowerShell	PowerShell
RegEdit	Registry Editor
SecPol.msc	Local Security Policy
Services.msc	Services
SysDM.cpl	System Properties
TaskSchd.msc	Task Scheduler
WF.msc	Windows Firewall
NSLookup	NSLookup Command

Note: This will overwrite your current Run history.