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Subject: Re: can't change PATH preference under Windows?

Posted by [Jeff N.](#) on Wed, 02 Aug 2006 16:53:29 GMT

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Hi Karl,

That wasn't it either. I thought of this after my reply to Benjamin's post, and found nothing. Thanks for the suggestion though...I guess I'll either reinstall IDL, or, if I decide I can live with this potential problem and take the risk that nothing else is wrong, just use the workaround that Benjamin suggested.

Jeff

Karl Schultz wrote:

> On Tue, 01 Aug 2006 19:22:21 -0700, Jeff N. wrote:

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>> Thanks Benjamin,

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>> I knew I could change !path, and I suppose i'll probably resort to  
>> that, but I'm actually concerned about why this behavior is happening.  
>> I'm working on a startup file that sets the path preference with  
>> pref\_set based on a set of conditions, and I'd like 3 computers to have  
>> the same startup file...it's worked flawlessly on the 1st two, and now  
>> on this third machine i'm getting this weird behavior.

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>> Thanks for your quick reply though!

>> Jeff

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> On the third machine, you probably have the IDL\_PATH environment variable  
> set.

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> Right-click My Computer

> Properties

> Advanced tab

> Environment Variables

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> Look for IDL\_PATH.

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> When I set IDL\_PATH in my environment, I get exactly the behavior you  
> describe.

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> Karl

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