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1. For information about machine status

Press **Windows + R** key, type **cmd** and press enter, then type in **syteminfo** . If you want to save this information, enter the command **systeminfo > info.txt** to create a text file named **info.txt** . (Only applicable for Professional Edition version).

2. Delete files completely without Recycle Bin

Press **Windows + R** key, type **gpedit.msc** , select **User Configuration > Administrative Templates > Windows Component > Windows Explorer** and select **Do not move deleted file** in the Recycle Bin settings. In addition, there are many options for interfaces or systems in gpedit. Some may stop computer activities if you are careless. (Only applicable for Professional Edition version)



3. Lock the computer temporarily with just double click

Right-click on the desktop, select new> **shortcut** and enter **rundll32.exe user32.dll, LockWorkStation** in **Location** . Set an optional shortcut name. Whenever you need to lock the computer, just double click on this

shortcut. (Of course, you can still use **Windows + L** key combination)

4. Sometimes there are hidden software that is inconvenient to remove like Windows Messenger

To fix it, use Notepad or Edit to edit the text file in **C: /windows/inf/sysoc.inf** , find and delete from hide. From now on, you can remove the software by going to **Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs > Add / Remove Windows Components** .

5. XP also has some interesting new commands for DOS files

- **eventcreate** and **eventtriggers** to create and monitor system activities
- **typeperf** monitors the operation of various subsystems (subsystems)
- **schtasks** manages scheduled tasks in the **All Programs > Accessories > System Tools > Scheule Tasks section**

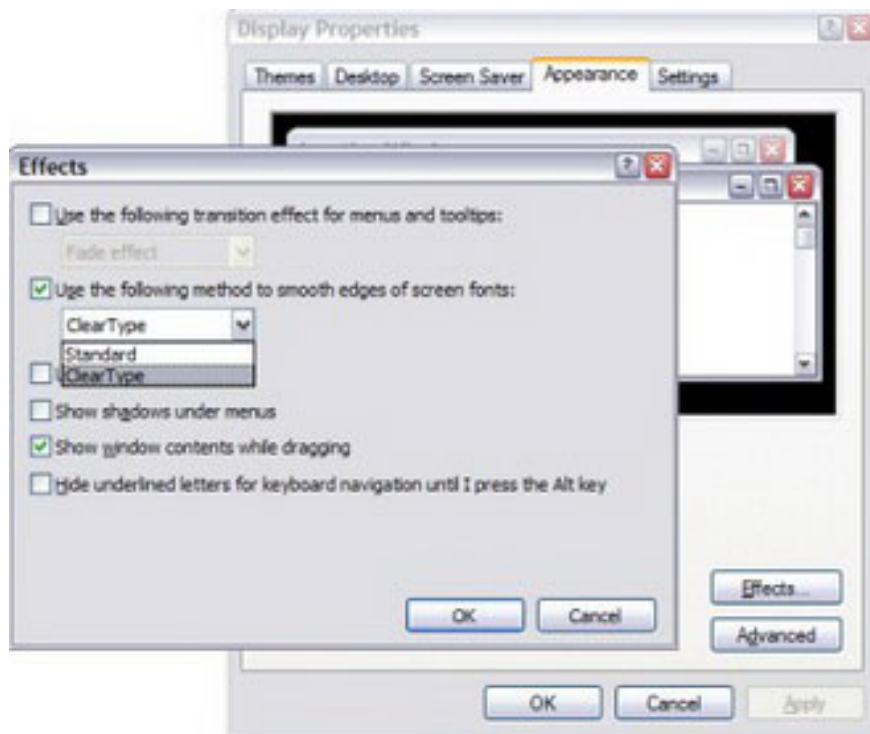
6. XP supports IPv6 protocol

However, users can only test on LAN because most Internet service providers still do not support IPv6. To find out about IPv6 pressing **Windows + R** , type **ipv6 install** . (this command is safe and does not affect the network settings in use), enter **ipv6 /?**

7. Can stop the active tasks on the machine with the **taskkill / pid** command with the number of tasks, or the **tskill** command with the number of active programs. Similarly, the **tasklist** command provides information about system operations.

8. File ZIP trog XP is considered as a folder (folder) , quite convenient for high-configuration machines. For slower machines, you can ask XP to view the ZIP files independently of the system with the command **regsvr32 /u zipfldr.dll** . Otherwise, to cancel the above command enter **regsvr32 zipfldr.dll** .

9. ClearType is an anti-aliasing program for fonts that are defaulted to not work. People who use DOS or have vision problems should try this program. To start ClearType, right-click the desktop, select **Properties** , **Appearance** , **Effects** , select **ClearType** from the second drop-down menu and click **OK** . Special program works effectively on laptops. Let ClearType work right from the Wellcome screen, press **Windows + R** , type **regedit** , find **HKEY_USERS> .DEFAULT> Control Panel> Desktop> FontSmoothingType** , switch from the default value to **2** .



10. Run Remote Assistance to support computer to install firewall using NAT (network address translation)

When receiving Remote Assistance invitation, edit the NAT address section in **RCTICKET** section, for example 192.168.1.10, replace this address with the real IP of the supported machine (use www.whatismyip.com to view) - Note, the assisted machine must open port 3389 on the firewall and forward it to the help machine.

11. Run a program with multiple accounts in parallel without having to log in multiple times

Right-click on the program icon and select **Run As** . enter the username and password of the account you want to use. This tip is quite effective when installing software that most now require the Administrative login.

12. Windows XP is often quite annoying when constantly asking for automatic updates , registering a Passport, or using Windows Messenger, etc.

Although the update is not time-consuming, you can stop these requests from XP if you want: press **Windows + R** , type **regedit** , follow the link **HKEY_CURRENT_USER> Software> Microsoft> Windows> Current Version> Explorer> Advanced** create a **DWORD** value named **EnableBalloonTips** and assigns a value of **0** .

13. Directly enter the account without entering a username and password

Press **Windows + R** , type **control userpasswords2** . On the **Users** tab, uncheck **Users Must Enter A User Name And Password To Use This Computer** and click **OK** . In the **Automatically Log On** dialog box enter the username and password of the account you want to use.

14. Internet Explorer can automatically delete temporary files when requested . Open the browser, select **Tools > Internet Options** , in the **Advanced** tab, select **Security** select **Empty Temporary Internet Files** and close the browser.

15. Can replace the LED of the network card with the free Network Activity Light in XP

Right-click the My Network Places icon on the desktop, select **Properties** . Continue to right-click the LAN description or dial-up connection, select **Properties** , select the **Show** icon in the notification section. Right on the screen's taskbar, a small blinking icon appears to be funny when using the network.

16. To adjust the speed of the Start menu , you can change the registry value in **HKEY_CURRENT_USER>Control Panel> Desktop> MenuShowDelay** from the initial default of 400 to lower, for example **0** .

17. Windows Explorer can also rename files in batches . Select multiple files on one window, right click on one of them and rename. All files will be renamed the same and have numbers in parentheses to distinguish. In addition, in a category, icons can be organized into groups by selecting **View > Arrange Icon By > Show In Groups** .

18. Windows Media Player can show the cover (cover) of the music album when playing the songs in that album - provided the program can find the cover of the song from the Internet. Otherwise, the user can manually put the cover of the album into the same folder as the music files. The naming of the cover is folder.jpg, WMP will automatically display this image every time the song is played

19. To call the System Properties dialog box , press the **Windows + Break** key combination. Similarly, the **Windows + D** combination to display the desktop and **Windows key + Tab combination** to move between buttons on the Taskbar.

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