

Changes in Windows 7 RC version

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Microsoft has released a list of 36 changes that will be applied in Windows 7 Release Candidate (RC) but refuse to reveal when it will officially launch users.

Among these changes, there are also changes in the background such as error correction, stability and compatibility during operation, increased operating efficiency . and also changes on the surface very easily. found that. Microsoft claims that most of these changes are based on feedback from users of the Windows 7 Beta version.

USER INTERFACE

Windows Flip (ALT + TAB) incorporates Aero Peek

Windows 7 RC will demonstrate the perfect combination of Windows Flip - the feature to switch between application windows by shortcut Alt + Tab - and Aero Peek - the feature that makes transparent the new application window in Windows 7. Accordingly, when users use Alt + Tab shortcut all windows will become transparent. The mouse pointer stops at any window on Windows Flip, that window will appear on the remaining screen all will be transparent.

It can be seen that this feature is similar to that applied in the Taskbar in Windows 7 Beta version. When the user hovers over an icon in the Taskbar, the thumbnail display bar of the application window will be opened. Pointing to any application, the application will appear on the Desktop and all the applications will be minimized.



At which window the cursor stops, the door will appear and all will be made transparent.

Shortcut Windows Logo + #>

This is an improvement to add more control shortcuts to help users control and move between applications faster and more efficiently. Specifically here is the addition of Windows Logo + #> shortcut. In which Windows Logo is a key with Windows window icon on the keyboard and #> represents the position of the application in the Taskbar.

Looking at the image illustrating the above change, we see that Internet Explorer is located at number 2 from the left in the Taskbar. To quickly start IE in Windows 7 RC users can use Windows Logo + 2 shortcut. If there is only one IE window running then pressing the shortcut key will display the full window.

If there are multiple windows or multiple web browsing of IE running, the Windows Logo + 2 key will help users browse through a list of all open windows and scroll through the appropriate window selection among them. those windows are open. If you want to open IE in this case, users just need to press Shift + Windows Logo + 2.

Also when IE is open with multiple windows, users can also access this list of windows by using the shortcut Alt + Windows Logo + 2. The list of IE windows will then display like Windows Flip. Of course it will be fully integrated with Aero Peek.

Needy State - Enhance attention

'Needy window' is the term used to describe application windows that need user intervention. For example, when a new mail arrives, Outlook will display a message to the user. Then Outlook is 'needy windows'.

Windows 7 Beta users complained that 'needy windows' in this version did not display clearly nor caught the attention of users. 'Sometimes I can't even see the message. They are usually only displayed for a short time and then completely, 'a user said.

In Windows 7 RC version this feature will be greatly improved. The first is a change in the dynamic animation

effect. The second is color change. Windows 7 RC version will use darker orange yellow color than Beta version. The third is to extend the notice period further.

Taskbar 'Open With'



In previous Windows versions when users drag a file and drop it over the application icon on the Quick Launch bar, the file will be opened with that application. But in Windows 7 Beta this has changed. Any file or application that users drag into the Taskbar will be 'pinned' there as a quick access icon.

This feature has not been agreed by users, so Microsoft decided to "revive" the ability to open files by dragging and dropping into Quick Launch like in previous versions. However, in Windows 7 RC version, users need to press the Shift key when dragging and dropping the file into the application that is "pasted" in the Taskbar to be able to open the file with that application. Otherwise, the file will still be "stuck" on the Taskbar as usual.

Taskbar Scaling

This is a feature that allows the Taskbar to display as many windows as possible to enable scrolling. Although in Windows 7 Beta version, Microsoft held the windows uniformly, but users who kept responding had to display a lot of windows and icons before the scroll key was activated. Limiting the number of icons displayed will now depend a lot on the screen resolution. Specifically according to the table below.

Screen resolution **The maximum number of icons** **Small icons** **Icon big**
800 x 600 10151024 x 768 15221284 x 1024 20291600 x 1200 2639

'Neo' thumbnail app on Taskbar

When a user hovers over an application that is 'pasted' in the Taskbar, a toolbar displays the full window of the application. However, in the Windows 7 Beta version, when users hover on one of those windows, the application icon under the Taskbar will not have any indication about it being used anymore. All animations and

lights are turned off.

In Windows 7 version RC will change this. Every notification effect that attracts the user's attention will be maintained even if the user has moved the cursor over the application thumbnail area.

New application installed

In the Windows 7 RC version, the newly installed applications will be temporarily displayed at the bottom of the list of frequently opened applications in the Start Menu to help users to quickly launch the application and drag and drop it. to 'paste' on the Taskbar. This solution will help attract users' attention rather than highlighting the 'All Programs' section and the newly installed application folder in the ' All Programs' list.

Length Jump List

Jump Lists is a new feature in Windows 7 that allows users to quickly access files, folders or links in the fastest way. Users just need to right click on the application icon on the Taskbar to be able to see the Jump List of each different application.

In Windows 7 Beta version, Jump List is not limited so it displays too many files, folders and links that users sometimes have to scroll back and forth on Jump List which makes the performance of this feature be reduced go a lot even though I have added 'Pinned' to the first positions

Windows 7 RC will fix this problem by only allowing Jump List to display a maximum of 10 files, directories and links. In addition, users are also allowed to configure the maximum number of displays on the Jump List.

Enhance the flexibility of the 'Jump List' feature of Jump List

The 'paste' feature of files or folders commonly used in Jump List in Windows 7 Beta version only allows users to "paste" the files that the application can handle on the Jump List of that application.

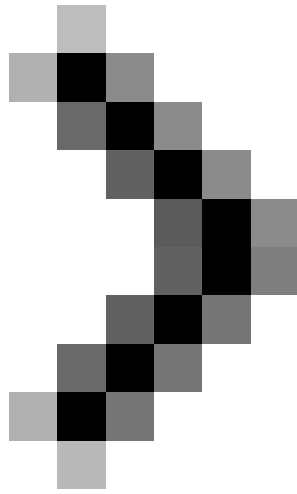
Microsoft has decided to increase the flexibility of this feature in Windows 7 RC version. Specifically, users can 'paste' the file into Jump List of applications that are not the default application to process the file. At the same time, it will create a link between the application and the 'paste' file on the Jump List. When opening the file on Jump List it will only be opened by Jump List owner application, not the default application that handles the file.

For example, in Windows 7 RC version, users can paste an HTML file into Notepad's Jump List. If opened in the normal way, the file will be opened with the default application that handles it as Internet Explorer. However, if you open with Notepad's Jump List, that HTML file will be opened in Notepad, not Internet Explorer.

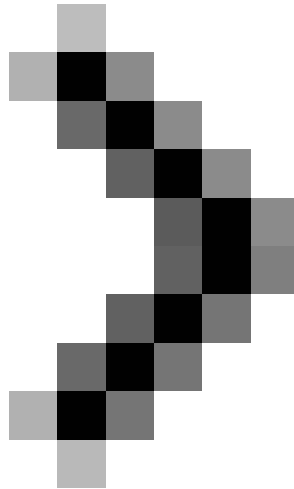
Gadget & icon on the screen

In Windows 7, small gadgets are directly integrated into the main display to help users easily manage and organize their own ideas. But because there are users who have shown that they can hide the icons on the screen but can't hide the gadgets, Microsoft eventually decided to change.

In the Windows 7 Beta version, when users right-click on the View screen and uncheck the 'Show desktop items' check box, not only the icons disappear but also gadgets disappear. But in Windows 7 RC version Microsoft will clearly separate the rights to manage screen icons and gadgets.



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