

Fix 'Generic volume cannot be stopped right now' error on USB

USB drives are compact and useful storage devices, but despite their convenience, they can sometimes encounter minor errors that cause frustration. The 'Generic volume cannot be stopped right now' error is one such annoying problem.

USB drives offer many advantages over other removable storage devices (IDE, SATA, etc.), especially floppy disks, due to their smaller size, faster speed, larger capacity, and greater reliability. However, errors can occur during use, such as when using the 'Safely Remove Hardware' option in Windows to safely disconnect the USB drive before unplugging it. This can lead to the message 'Generic volume cannot be stopped right now'. Ignoring this message and unplugging the USB drive may damage it. Read the article below to learn how to fix this error.

"Generic volume cannot be stopped"

Instructions on how to fix the 'Generic volume cannot be stopped right now' error on USB drives.

Possible reasons for the 'Generic volume cannot be stopped right now' error on a USB drive include:

- It's possible we have an application open on the USB drive that we forgot to close.
- The operating system is accessing a file on the USB drive.
- It could be due to a virus on the USB drive.

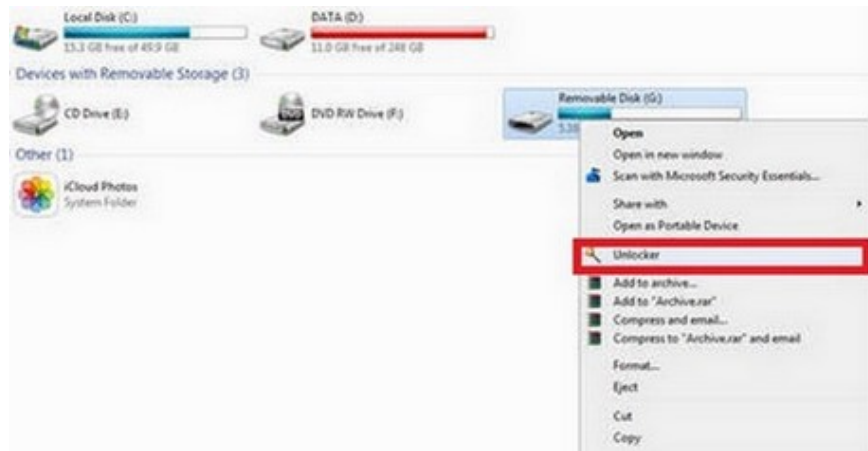
Fix:

- Close all Explorer windows, including those not connected to the USB drive.
- Check if any files are open on the USB drive and close them.
- If the error persists even after disconnecting all connections, the USB drive may have a virus; in that case, you'll need antivirus software to scan it.

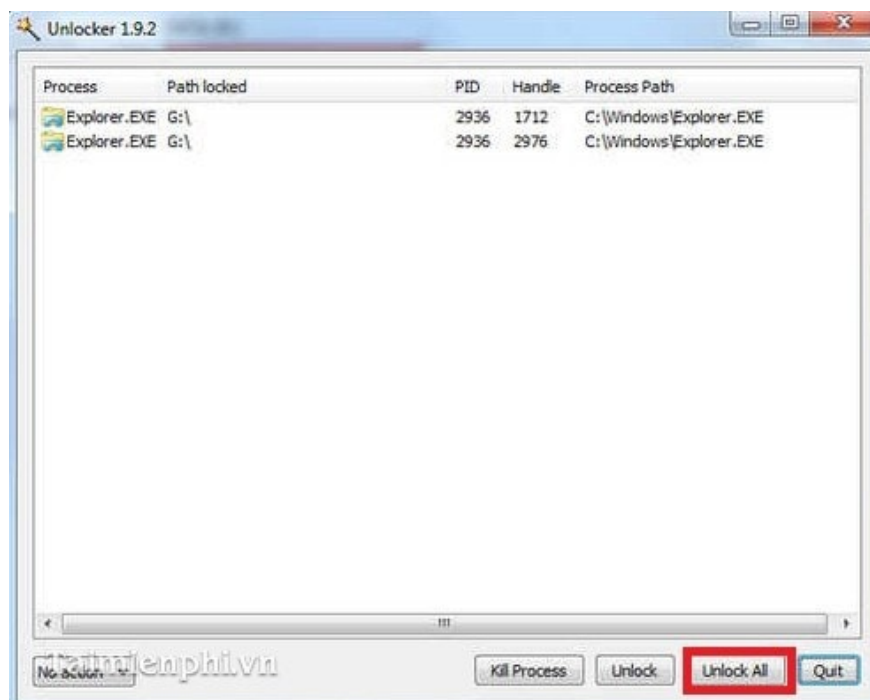
You can use 'Unlocker' software to unlock the USB drive and remove it.

- You can download the latest version of **Unlocker** [here](#).
- Install the software on your computer following the instructions; it's quite simple.

When we want to remove a USB drive, we right-click on the USB drive and select **Unlocker** .



A list of applications accessing the USB drive will appear as shown below; select **Unlock All** .



Next, click on the secure disconnect icon in the bottom right corner of the screen, select **Eject TransMemory** , and then safely remove the USB drive from the computer.



By following all the instructions above, you have completely resolved the "Generic volume cannot be stopped right now" error on your USB drive and can safely eject the USB drive from your computer.

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