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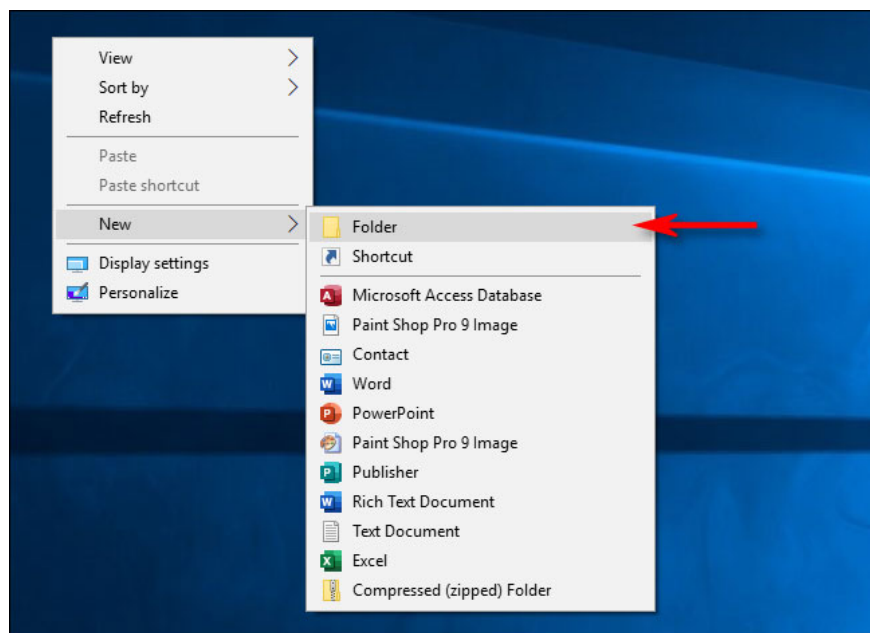
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While there are certainly many good (and safer) ways to hide files, this quick tip is definitely much more interesting.

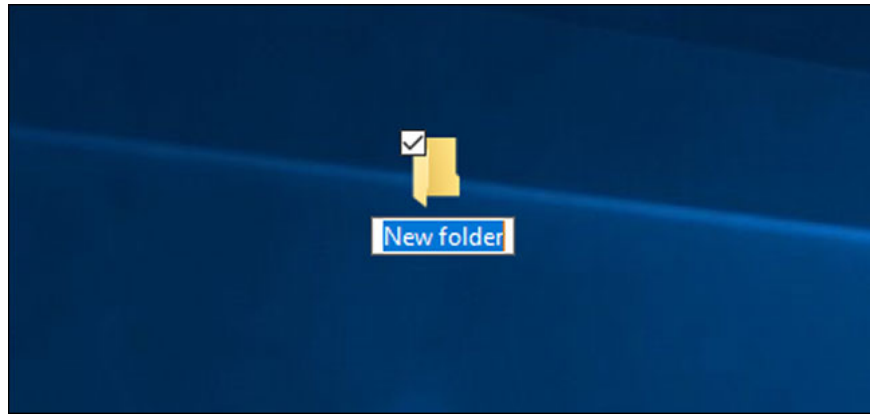
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To do this trick, you need to create a folder with no names and symbols. To get started, right-click an empty location on the desktop, click **New** , then **Folder** .



Create a new folder

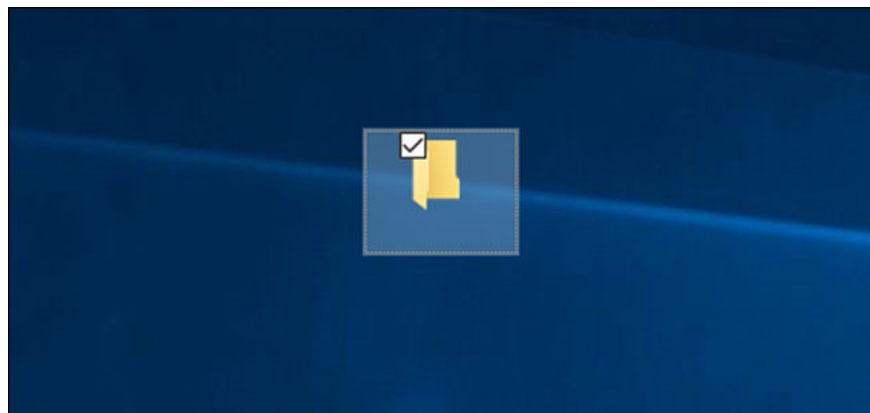
The folder that appears on the screen with 'New Folder' highlighted so you can rename it.



Rename the folder

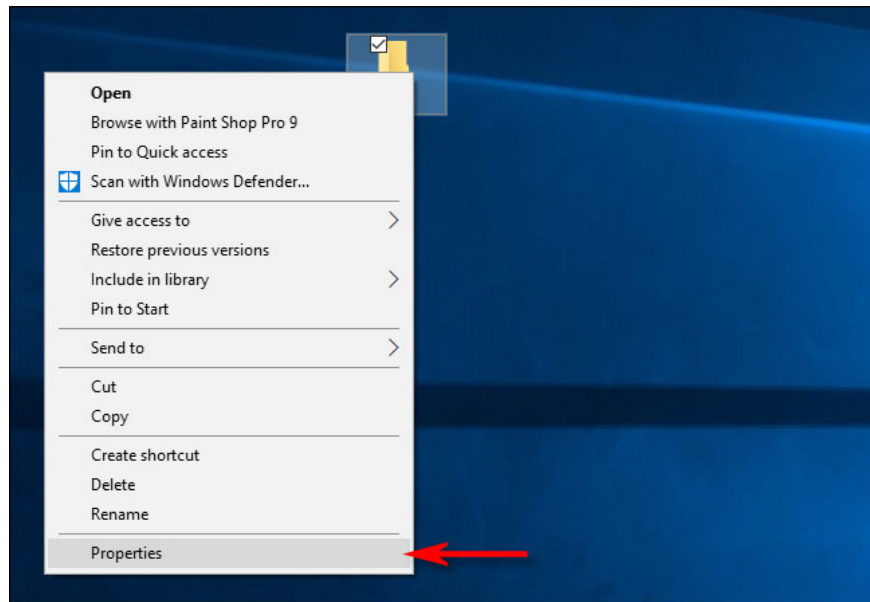
When you rename a folder, press and hold `Alt` as you type `255` on the numeric keypad, then press `Enter` . Note that you must enter numbers on the numeric keypad, not the keys at the top of the keyboard.

What you're doing is typing a special character that's not on the keyboard with ASCII character codes. This gives the folder an invisible name (space characters do not appear in Windows Explorer).



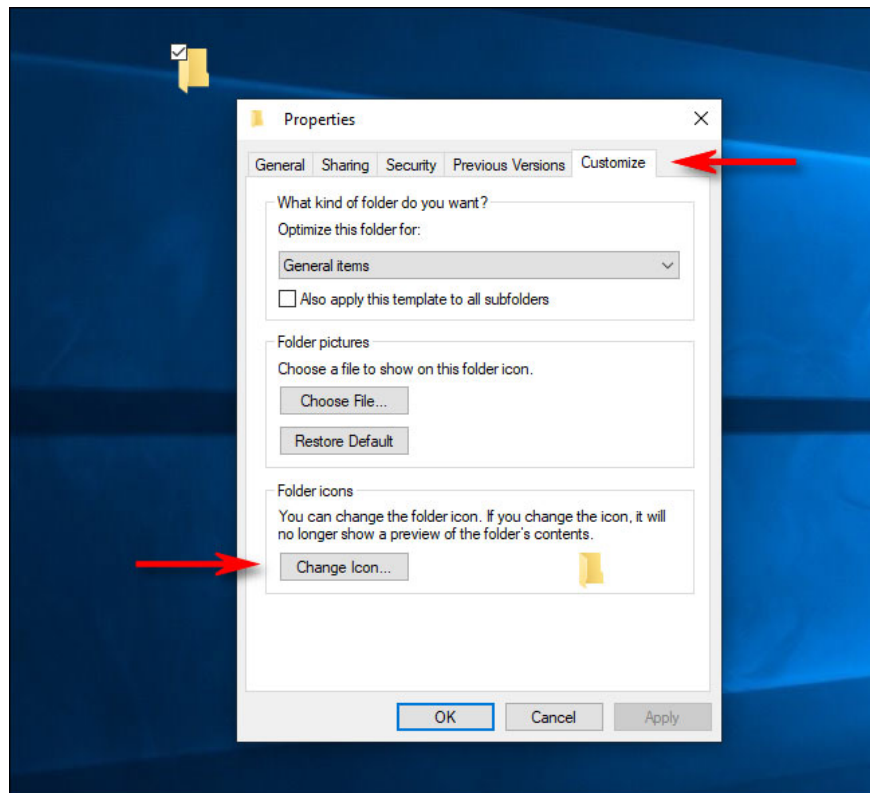
The folder name is invisible

Now, the name is invisible. Next let's handle the logo part. Right-click on the folder and select **Properties**.



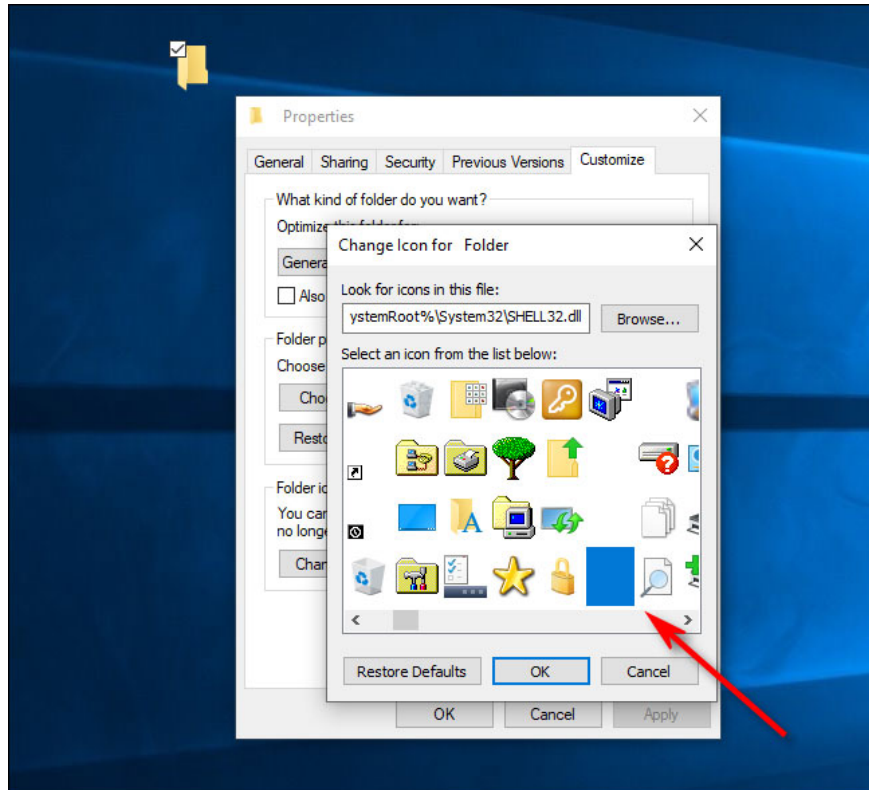
Select Properties

Click the **Customize** tab, then select **Change Icon** in the **Folder Icons** section .



Click the Customize tab

In the **Change Icon for Folder** window, move to the right, select the invisible icon, then click **OK**.



Select the invisible icon

Click **OK** again to close the properties window! Your folder icon is gone!

You can still find the folder on the desktop if you drag the mouse pointer over a large area to select multiple icons. If not, it's still invisible. The folder will also be hidden in File Explorer and even with its contents.

If you want to hide multiple folders at once on the desktop, repeat the above process, but press **Alt + 255** repeatedly to enter multiple invisible characters. Two directories cannot have the same name, so the second directory will need two spaces.

You can repeat the process with 3 or more folders, just increase the number of invisible spaces in the folder name.

## How do folders show up again?

To undo the trick to make a folder invisible, right-click on the invisible folder and select **Properties** . Click the **Customize** tab and then select **Change Icon**. This time, choose a regular icon for the folder instead of the invisible icon.

To change the name, right-click on the folder and select **Rename**. Type what you want to name the folder, then press **Enter** .

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