

## Re: prefetch

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To clean this periodically go to:

1. Start / Run / Prefetch
2. Press Ctrl-A to highlight all the shortcuts
3. Delete them
4. Reboot.

I usually leave my layout.ini

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:en-us:307498>

How to Disable the Prefetcher Component in Windows XP

"Chip" <[anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com](mailto:anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com)> wrote in message  
news:066301c3baf5\$649276e0\$a501280a@phx.gbl...

- > *Is it true that you can errase all of the files found in*
- > *the prefetch? What about the exe files that are found in*
- > *this location? The reason I ask is that I suspect that*
- > *there are a number of viruses and unauthorized programs*
- > *running on my computer. I need to know how to get rid of*
- > *anything that is not vital to running the windows*
- > *application.*