

Re: Unknown Folder in Network Places

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Thanks Colin,

I don't know . . . I read, or rather, stepped slowly through, the article about UPnP and IGD's but, I still think my situation is different. My D-Link router is not wireless – it's a hard-wired set up: DSL service into the speedstream modem, into the D-Link router, connection from my computer to the router and from the router to the computer upstairs.

The connection is always on and there is no change in status. If I turn off the modem or the router, or pull the plug, When I turn it back on does Windows recognize the connection with an IGD icon? No. I just tried this last night and again today.

As I said, I've never seen this icon before, nor have I since. Also, there were no controls available for this connection – it was just there; unmoveable and unchangeable.

Anyway, I really appreciate your taking the time to send me this article. Now, I have to figure out why every time I reboot the computer Windows tells me a serious error just occurred but the computer did not hang or shut down. Ghosts in the machine? Thanks again.

Dave Hill

>-----Original Message-----
>Here's the info about the automatic detection
>of "Internet Gateway" devices.
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><http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=821371>
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> "DeeAitch" <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote
in message
>news:1f0b201c45676\$0ec09bd0\$a001280a@phx.gbl...
>> Thanks for the quick response. I know who you are from
a
>> help page that I discovered, which included yourself
and
>> other MVP's, while researching this unusual file.
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>> The 39 day duration thing in the properties of the
>> Internet Gateway icon, and the fact that I couldn't
>> delete it, really throws me. I reiterate, there were 2
>> connections running at the same time. One, my normal
>> connection (LAN) icon and this "other" one. I have
>> checked all my XP systems at work for this and none of
>> them displays an icon like I've described.
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>> I checked with D-Link and they said aboslutely: NO
icons
>> in Network settings from their product. The same with
>> SBC/DSL service – "you should only see your Local Area
>> Network Connection icon (realTech, enabled, Firewall
etc)
>> in the View Network Connections folder" Hmmm . . .
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>> The microsoft one seems odd to me but I was checking
the
>> compatibility info on MS.com the other night because
of a
>> scary install of an Audigy sound card which has turned
my
>> computer into a mess of RUN.dll errors and crashes over
>> the last 7 days. That's a nightmare issue by itself
and,
>> one which I need some other help with . . .
>>
>> Anyway, thanks for the reply. I will defer to your
>> experience. Still doesn't seem right to me.
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>> DeeAitch
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>> >-----Original Message-----
>>>Neither of those things are things to worry about.
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>>>The Internet Gatway icon was probably just showing you
>> your connection to
>>>your router-- some models are detected by Windows and
>> displayed in that way.

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>>>*The ftp.microsoft.com icon was just a shortcut to one of*
of
>> *Microsoft's*
>>>*servers. I guess you had connected to it recently for*
>> *some reason: it's*
>>>*just putting an icon there to make it easy for you to*
>> *find it again. When*
>>>*you clicked on it, you were connecting to that server*
>> *and viewing the*
>>>*information that was available on it. (It's all public*
>> *info.)*
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>>>*This is just the normal way that the "My Network*
Places"
>> *area works: it*
>>>*shows you links to resources on your network or other*
>> *resources that you*
>>>*have recently used.*
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>>>*Colin Nash*
>>>*Microsoft MVP*
>>>*Windows Printing/Imaging/Hardware*
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>>>*"DeeAitch" <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote*
>> *in message*
>>>*news:1f08001c4566a\$e9166e60\$a001280a@phx.gbl...*
>>>>*I have found 2 unknown folders in Network Places on*
>>>> *Windows XP while going in to troubleshoot a slow*
>>>> *connection (Local Area Connection)*
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>>>> *The first one I found was called Internet Gateway.*
>> *When I*
>>>> *double-clicked it to view send/receive it was active*
>> *and*
>>>> *in its 39th day!!! I could not delete it or remove it*
>> *by*
>>>> *any means. I shut down the computer and pulled the*
DSL
>>>> *cable and the next day this mysterious icon was gone.*
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>>>> *After downloading extensive security patches today –*
>>>> *which was odd, because I thought I was up to date –*
and
>>>> *restarting my computer, I found another unknown*
>>>> *folder/icon in Network Places: ftp.microsoft.com.*
This

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>>>> *folder contained many sub folders including ReadMe's*
>> *and*
>>>> *one called DevCast and was talking in references to*
>>>> *microsoft release information from 1994 and 1995.*
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>>>> *There was an e mail address in one of the ReadMe's*
>> *which*
>>>> *was ftp@microsoft.com. I sent them – "it" – an e mail*
>>>> *asking for clarification. This was 30 minutes ago,*
so I
>>>> *assume it won't be kicked back, but WHAT IS THIS*
STUFF?
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>>>> *Does anyone out there have an idea for me? I believe*
I
>>>> *have more than adequate protection on this computer*
but
>>>> *hings are happeneing that are weird. Thanks in*
advance.
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>>>> *DeeAitch*
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