

Auto Run CD, Win 95,98,ME

How to enable CD Auto run on
Windows 95,98,ME

CD-ROM Does Not Run Automatically After You Insert It into Your CD-ROM or DVD-ROM Drive

The information in this article applies to:

Microsoft Windows Millennium Edition

Microsoft Windows 98 Second Edition

Microsoft Windows 98

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IMPORTANT: This article contains information about modifying the registry. Before you modify the registry, make sure to back it up and make sure that you understand how to restore the registry if a problem occurs. For information about how to back up, restore, and edit the registry, click the following article number to view the article in the Microsoft Knowledge Base:

[256986 <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;256986>](http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;256986) Description of the Microsoft Windows Registry

SYMPTOMS

When you insert a CD-ROM that contains an Autorun.inf file into your computer's CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive, the CD-ROM may not start and run automatically as expected.

Additionally, when you right-click the CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive in Windows Explorer or My Computer, the **AutoPlay** command may be missing from the shortcut menu.

This behavior occurs even when the **Auto Insert Notification** check box is selected in the CD-ROM settings of Device Manager.

CAUSE

This behavior can occur if the following registry key contains incorrect values for the **NoDriveTypeAutoRun** entry:

HKEY_Current_User\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer

RESOLUTION

To resolve this issue, edit the **NoDriveTypeAutoRun** entry in the Windows registry so that it displays the correct value. To do this, follow these steps.

WARNING: If you use Registry Editor incorrectly, you may cause serious problems that may require you to reinstall your operating system. Microsoft cannot guarantee that you can solve problems that result from using Registry Editor incorrectly.

Use Registry Editor at your own risk.

Click **Start**, and then click **Run**.

In the **Run** box, type **regedit**, and then click **OK**.

Locate the following registry key:

HKEY_Current_User\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer

In the right pane of the Registry Editor window, locate the **NoDriveTypeAutoRun** entry.

Edit the entry to display the following correct binary value in the Value data box:

NoDriveTypeAutoRun 0000 95 00 00 00

To do this, right-click **NoDriveTypeAutoRun**, and then click **Modify**.

Under Value data, type **95 00 00 00**, and then click **OK**.

On the **Registry** menu, click **Exit** to quit Registry Editor.

Restart your computer.

MORE INFORMATION

For additional information about how to enable and disable the feature that allows CD-ROMs to run automatically, click the article number below to view the article in the Microsoft Knowledge Base:

[126025 <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;126025>](http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;126025) How to Disable the Feature That Allows CD-ROMs and Audio CDs to Run Automatically