

So, Where are we exactly?



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ENABLING MICROSOFT'S

SECRET CONTROL PANEL

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The Mystery of the new CONTROL PANEL

Lots of Icons,

but where do you now find things.



Firstly !

- A little bit of background to what we are looking at.

This is the current Win-7 Control Panel

Adjust your computer's settings


View by: [Small](#)

- Action Center
- Backup and Restore
- Credential Manager
- Device Manager
- Flash Player (32-bit)
- HomeGroup
- Location and Other Sensors
- Notification Area Icons
- Personalization
- Realtek HD Audio Manager
- Sound
- Taskbar and Start Menu
- Windows CardSpace
- Windows Update
- Administrative Tools
- BDE Administrator (32-bit)
- Date and Time
- Devices and Printers
- Folder Options
- Indexing Options
- Mouse
- NVIDIA Control Panel
- Phone and Modem
- Recovery
- Speech Recognition
- Troubleshooting
- Windows Defender
- Adobe Gamma (32-bit)
- Click-to-Run Application Manager
- Default Programs
- Display
- Fonts
- Internet Options
- Nero BurnRights (32-bit)
- Parental Controls
- Power Options
- Region and Language
- Sync Center
- User Accounts
- Windows Firewall
- AutoPlay
- Color Management
- Desktop Gadgets
- Ease of Access Center
- Getting Started
- Keyboard
- Network and Sharing Center
- Performance Information and Tools
- Programs and Features
- RemoteApp and Desktop Connections
- System
- Windows Anytime Upgrade
- Windows Mobility Center

eg. When you click on "Action Centre"

Control Panel Home

Change Action Center settings

 Change User Account Control settings

View archived messages

View performance information

Review recent messages and resolve problems

No issues have been detected by Action Center.

Security



Maintenance



If you don't see your problem listed, try one of these:



Troubleshooting

Find and fix problems



Recovery

Restore your computer to an earlier time



So, lets learn how to see the

“Control Panel”

As a LIST



Control Panel List

- Also known as

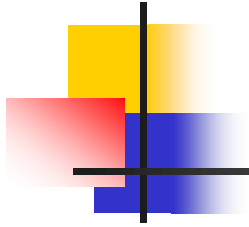
“ Master Control Panel ”

Or

“ Global Mode ”

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- Our new method of access is commonly known as

- *“GOD MODE”*



- This feature is only available in

Vista, Windows-7 & Windows-8

How it works.



- 1....You create a special folder
- 2....You add to this a special **GUID**

Global **U**nique **ID**entifyer



What is a GUID ?

- They are a 128 bit (or 16-byte number)
= 8 bits to a byte =

Microsoft uses these 37 character “numbers” to identify different features and functions within Windows.



Control Panel GUID's

- Some reports talk of there being 15 or 20 codes.
- There are 52 "Control Panel" GUID shortcuts in Vista and
- 54 in Windows-7

For a full list....

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- Go To..

www.tinyurl.com/bp26827

But make sure you pick up the right
list for your OS



ie Vista or Win-7

the name of the file is.....

“Canonical Names of Control Panel Items.pdf”



Canonical Names of Control Panel Items

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As of Windows Vista, each Control Panel item is given a canonical name for use in programmatically launching that item. This topic lists each Control Panel item, its canonical name, and its GUID.

Windows 7 Control Panel Canonical Names

The following canonical names are defined for Control Panel items in Windows 7. All names are also valid on Windows Vista unless specified otherwise. Not all Control Panel items are available on all varieties of Windows and some Control Panel items might appear only when appropriate hardware is detected. These canonical names do not change for different languages. They are always in English, even if the system's language is non-English.



Control Panel Item	Canonical name	GUID
Action Center	Microsoft.ActionCenter (Windows 7 and later only)	{BB64F8A7-BEAB8D-7D8273}
Administrative Tools	Microsoft.AdministrativeTools	{D20EA4E1-39A40B-0C5020}
AutoPlay	Microsoft.AutoPlay	{9C60DE1E-E5A487-460851}
Backup and Restore	Microsoft.BackupAndRestore (Windows 7 and later only)	{B98A2BEA-7D42-4558-8E}
Biometric Devices	Microsoft.BiometricDevices (Windows 7 and later only)	{0142e4d0-fb7ba4a-000ffe7a}
BitLocker Drive Encryption	Microsoft.BitLockerDriveEncryption	{D9EF8727-CA86F80A666C9}



How do you do it?

- Step 1. Create a new folder



Then you Rename it

- 1 By first adding a full stop after the folder name
- 2 Then add the following code (the GUID)

{ED7BA470-8E54-465E-825C-99712043E01C}

Then press enter.



The folder ICON

- Will instantly change to the “Control Panel” Icon
- Rename itself to “Whatever”
eg “C P Quick List”



Finally

- Drag the Icon to your Desktop
- Notice – there will be no arrow !
- Double Click on this Icon to launch a list of shortcuts to all control panel items.

Your new Control Panel will now look like this

▲ Action Center (15)



Change Customer Experience Improvem...



Change User Account Control se...



Check security status



Choose how to check for solutions



Choose how to report problems



Fix problems with your computer



Restore your computer to an earli...



Review your computer's status and...



View all problem reports



View message archive



View recent messages about your computer



View recommended actions to keep W...



View reliability history



View solutions to problems




View the Microsoft error reporting ...

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View all
problem
reports



View
message
archive



View recent
messages
about your
computer



View
recommen
ded actions
to keep W...



View
reliability
history



View
solutions to
problems



View the
Microsoft
error
reporting ...

Your new "Internet Options"

Internet Options (14)



Block or allow pop-ups



Block or allow third-party cookies



Change how web pages are displayed ...



Change security settings



Change temporary Internet file settings



Change the search provider in Internet Ex...



Change your homepage



Configure proxy server



Delete browsing history



Delete cookies or temporary files



Enable or disable session cookies



Manage browser add-ons



Tell if an RSS feed is available on a webs...



Turn autocomplete in Internet Ex...



Let me now demonstrate.

- There are only three steps
- 1. Create a new folder
- 2. Rename it (add the GUI)
- 3. Drag it onto your Desktop



Renaming it .

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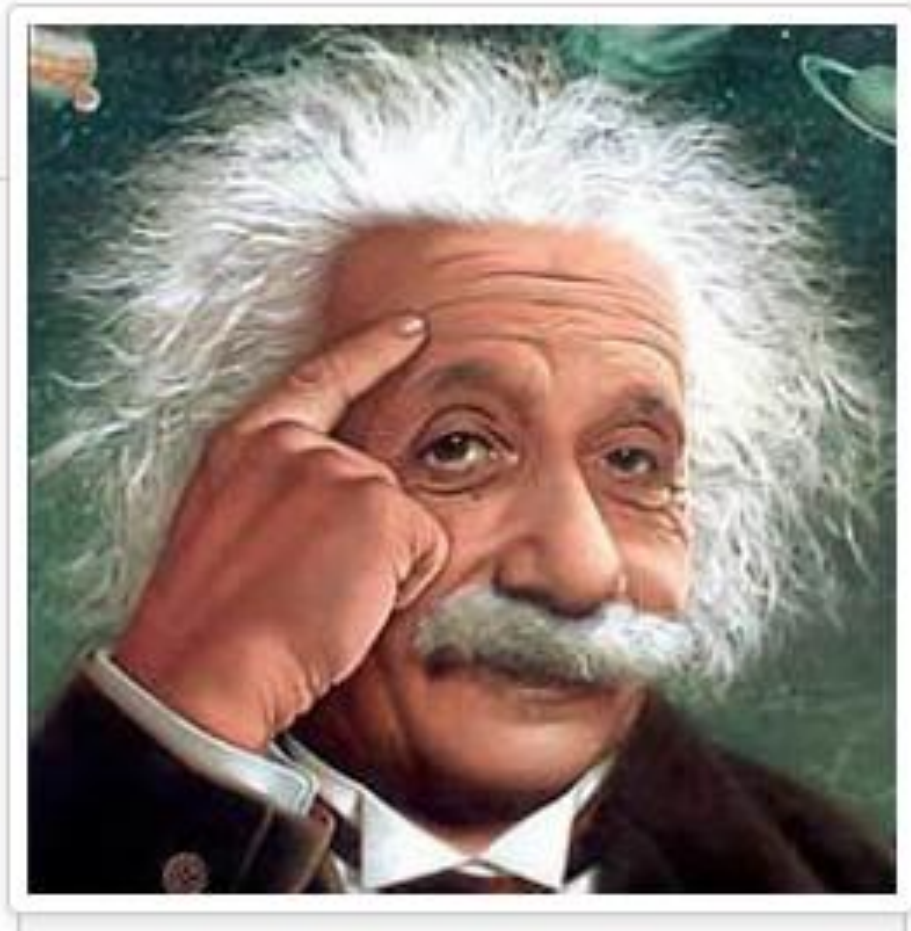
Thenif you wish

Using the GUID's in the PDF list ...
(the one you got from www.tinyurl.com)

You can create individual shortcuts to any
item in the Control Panel



Any questions?



Thank you for your attention.



THE END



A sign on the back of a Bomb
Disposal Expert's Protective
Clothing.

“If you see me running,
try to keep up.”