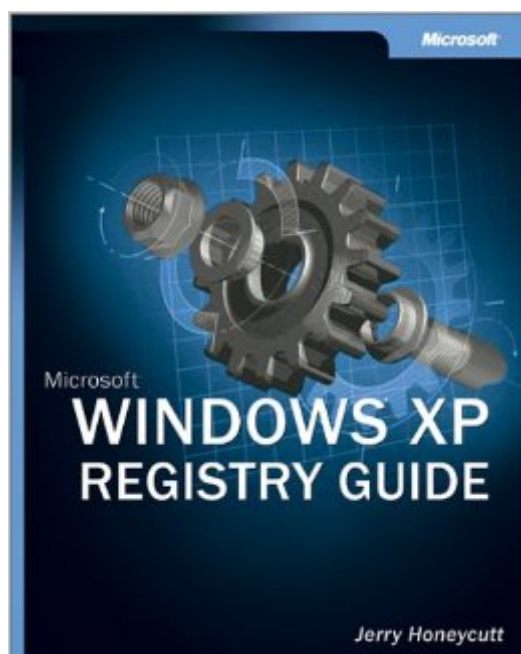


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# Microsoft Windows XP Registry Guide (Bpg-Other)



## Synopsis

This title for power users and IT professionals is the authoritative source for information on the Windows XP registry and how to modify it to suit your administrative and personal needs. The Windows registry contains profiles for each user of a computer plus information about system hardware, installed programs, property settings, and more. Modifying the Windows registry gives users the utmost control over the PC, but it's been somewhat of a dangerous black art -- until now. This title is the complete reference to working with the Windows XP registry -- including everything from registry hacks for power users to management and deployment guidance for IT professionals. The book includes troubleshooting hints, common workarounds, and a guide to how to use the new registry editor. Written by a recognized expert -- the author of six books on the Windows registry -- this book is the authoritative resource for readers who want or need to work with the Windows registry. Highlights include chapters on pinpointing registry settings and scripting registry changes, dealing with registry permissions, using Windows Installer, and mapping Tweak UI settings to actual registry values.

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## Customer Reviews

Jerry Honeycutt's, Windows XP Registry Guide, is an invaluable resource for any XP user. Two "registry guides" I read for previous Windows operating systems were a total waste of money. This book, however, is worth buying at any price. I was a die-hard Windows 2000 user and disliked XP for

many reasons. The new user interface, new services-running by default, hidden application settings, and generally, decisions Microsoft made based on marketing data for users who wanted someone else to make decisions for them. I never wanted anything to do with XP, but when I needed two new computers earlier this year, I had no choice. I bought Jerry's book because I hoped to learn some basics about where Microsoft had hidden certain settings; I didn't know it would make me a Windows XP lover. Not only were the basics like data types and key locations discussed, but also complex registry manipulation and deployment through scripting, Answer files, and Windows Installer. The Windows XP Registry Guide takes a systematic approach to learning and using registry tools to get the most out of your XP system. Novice users will learn enough to make the book worthwhile by reading just the first section (five chapters), but once you get that far you will want to read it all. Jerry is careful to warn about careless hacking and thoroughly covers backing up and restoring the registry using tools already included in Windows XP and several third party tools. I was surprised to learn how useful Microsoft's Word application is in managing changes made to the registry. If you already use TweakUI to manage your XP system, a complete mapping of every change is included in Chapter 5. Are you an IT professional? This book will show you how to work around IT problems in Chapter 15.

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