

canning the Preferences Folder

Many programs and control panels create a preferences file in your Preferences folder the first time you use them (that's what it's there for, right?). Some—such as QuicKeys—put files in folders inside the Preferences folder. Consequently, most of us have preferences files for programs we no longer use, since we usually forget to throw away the preferences file when we throw away the application that created it. When you choose Scan Preferences Folder command in the Cleaning menu, File Buddy will examine all the files in your Preferences folder and the folders inside the Preferences folder, alerting you to those that don't appear to be used by anything on your computer. For each file you have the option to leave it alone for now, skip it now and in the future, trash it, or stop the scan. The fact that File Buddy can't find anything that uses a particular file doesn't mean that nothing uses it, so look at the name and make a judgement call.