

Registry Enumerator (for Win9x/NT)

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This program is FREE. But please be courteous and encourage further constructiveness by emailing me if you find this program useful at greg@lorrیمان.demon.co.uk

Due to the wonders of Inprise's Delphi it only took a pleasant weekend to program. I really recommend Delphi, especially to more experienced programmers.

This is a first release so if you find a problem email me.

Purpose :

To make value comparisons between different keys easier than with regedit. Also an aid to using registry information in documentation.

Useful when examining the registry for research purposes.

Usage :

Type a key (including the root) into the edit box and click "Enumerate".

Tip : run Regedit (which you can launch via the File menu), find a key, right-click it and choose 'Copy key name'. The right-click on the enumerators 'Key' edit box to paste. You can also run this program from the Start->Run box (like Regedit) by typing 'regenum'. Change the depth of recursion via the 'Max Depth' combo (a value of zero shows the values of the specified key only).

The editing capabilities are very limited. You can copy, find, save and open and that's all.

Also : you can backup your registry via the 'Tools' menu. The backup includes a small text file of instructions for restoring your registry.

Options :

Strings only : skips non-string values.

Defaults only : only lists default values.

Full key paths : keys are displayed with a full path excluding the root.

Other options :

Indent : sets the indentation

Add to results : Adds a new result set to the end of the last instead of clearing the editor window.

Tools :

Backup Registry : as it says. Registry is saved to <windows directory>\regbackup. If this fails to copy one of user.dat or system.dat then it will signal failure.

To do :

Fix the mouse pointer flicker problem when updating the editor. However this may not be possible since this appears to be a deficiency of MS's RichEdit control.

Add highlighting for key names.

Address the speed of updating the editor, which is by far the slowest part of the program.

Note : An enclosed zip file contains the source code for this utility.

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Recommendation :

If you are a programmer then I recommend you give Richie Fellners "INF-Tool" a good look. It is a *very* special flavour of setup program. And it's very cheap. Here's a short description :

INF-Tool is a setup/installer program that takes advantage of Win9x/NT in-built setup facilities (via inf scripts) to produce full-featured setups that add no more than a few kilobytes to the distribution package instead of the 600-800Kb's of mainstream installers. Perfect for web and disk distribution. Does single executable self-extracting installs, traditional setup.exe's, OCX registration, registry/ini-file modification, uninstall and lots more. Full featured and very cheap at \$30.

You can get a try-out version from :

<http://www.user.xpoint.at/r.fellner/>

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