

Windows Registry Exercise

Always back up the Registry before opening the Registry Editor.

1. View the current value for MouseTrails registry settings.
 - a) Open the Run dialog box and enter regedit
 - b) If prompted for Administrative access, select Yes.
 - c) In the Registry Editor window, select Edit→Find. In the Find dialog box, enter mousetrails
 - d) Observe the current value for MouseTrails. It should currently have a 0 in the Data column.

2. Back up the Mouse registry entry.
 - a) In the left pane, select Mouse.
 - b) Select File→Export.
 - c) In the Export Registry File dialog box, in the default location, save the file as MouseBkup.reg

3. Change the Mouse Trail setting in Control Panel.
 - a) Open Control Panel.
 - b) Select Mouse.
 - c) On the Pointer Options tab, check Display pointer trails and then select OK.

4. View the value in Registry Editor.
 - a) In the left pane of Registry Editor, collapse Control Panel then expand it again.
 - b) Select Mouse.
 - c) Observe the value for MouseTrails. The value has changed to 7.

5. Set Mouse Trails to your preferred setting in Control Panel.