

TAKE CONTROL OF THE ADD/REMOVE PROGRAMS COMPONENT OF YOUR COMPUTER

Find the Windows Add/Remove Programs component at WINKEY + X, then F.

It is not uncommon for programs to be on your computer, but missing from the Add/Remove component of Windows. Modern applications can be uninstalled via the All Apps Menu and reinstalled via the Windows Store. Most Windows legacy programs can be uninstalled by going to the Add/Remove Windows Components section in the Control Panel. But what about the ones you can't find? You know they're on your computer somewhere, but how can you get rid of them if you can't find them? It's actually not too hard to bring these out of hiding. Here are three highly-recommended free third-party software programs, any one of which will do the job!

MyUninstaller

MyUninstaller is an alternative to Windows' Add or Remove Programs tool. But it does more than mimic what Windows provides. MyUninstaller shows much more information about your programs. And it can help you with programs that don't include an uninstaller.

MyUninstaller provides extra information including product descriptions, registry entries and installation dates. It also displays programs lacking uninstallers and others that don't show up in Windows Add or Remove Programs. You might discover old programs you had forgotten about.

Of course, you can also use MyUninstaller to remove programs just as you would the Windows Add/Remove tool. **In addition, you can also select multiple programs to remove them at the same time.**

<http://www.nirsoft.net/utis/myuninst.html>

ZSoft Uninstaller

An uninstall utility that is superior to the built-in function in Microsoft Windows. It allows an easy uninstall of programs and features a way to analyze an installation so it can be completely uninstalled. It can also find and delete temporary files, delete entries from programs that are no longer

installed, hide Windows Updates, hide entries from the list that you are never going to uninstall (drivers) making the list smaller and therefore easier to manage, and show more information than is available through the built-in Add/Remove applet. On top of that it can also find entries from programs that are already uninstalled and automatically find entries that are considered “bloatware.” <http://www.softpedia.com/progDownload/ZSoft-Uninstaller-Download-19852.html>

Revo Uninstaller

Where the built-in and sluggish Windows Add or Remove Programs option fails, freeware Revo picks up the slack. Launching Revo fires up the Uninstaller screen, which shows icons and titles of all programs installed on your machine. You can change the View to List or Details, if you'd like more information. Right-clicking gives users a list of choices, from the fundamental like Uninstall and Remove from list, to Search Google, Show the installation directory, and quick access to the app's Help file, its About screen, and an Update link.

Revo also provides some powerful tools. Advanced mode adds program-specific Registry key access to the context menu. The Tools Optimizer holds the Autorun Manager, the Windows Tools access screen, and a Junk File finder/killer. The Autorun Manager provides one-stop shopping for startup tweaking. Windows Tools pulls together various and disparate basic utilities under one umbrella, and the Junk killer is just a killer.

The Tools Tracks Cleaner accesses cache-cleaning features, includes standard browser cache functions as well as crash memory dump files, MS Office cleaners, system-wide and program-specific search histories, and more. Another cool function is the Hunter, which offers click-and-drag uninstall and process-killing functionality. Revo and the way that it will revolutionize your uninstall workflow is hard to pass up.

http://www.revouninstaller.com/revo_uninstaller_free_download.html