

# Tips & Tricks

## Munchin' Cookies

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If you would like to delete the cookies on your hard drive, you certainly can do so. Keep in mind they really don't take up that much room though. For example, I have around 1100 cookies on my hard drive and they take up less than 5 meg of disk space. I know, that's a bunch of those little cookies, but I still think they do more good than harm.

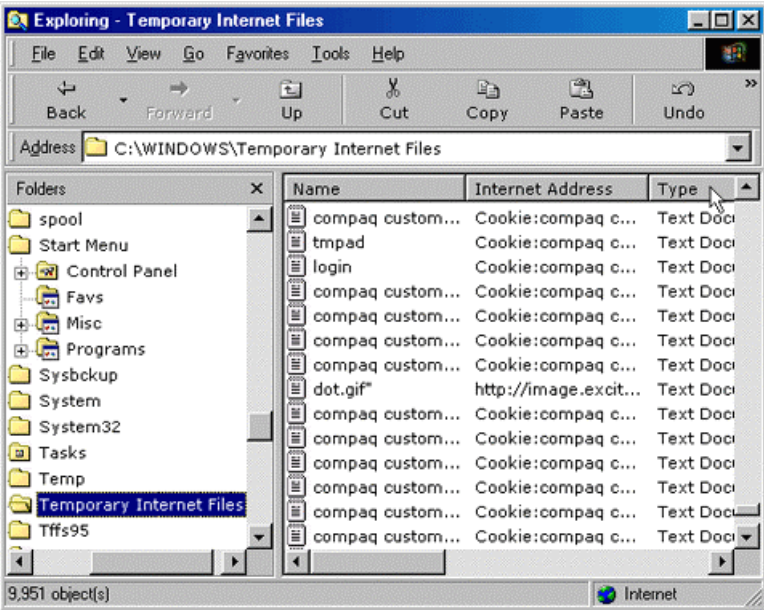
In addition, if you delete out all of your cookies (toss your cookies?) you may find that sites you use all the time no longer recognize you or remember your password. So, you may want to follow the steps below, but only delete out the cookies that are not important (you can see where the cookie came from if you have the Internet Address column stretched wide enough).

### **Here's how to delete ALL the cookies from your hard drive:**

To get rid of them, do the following:

1. Open Windows Explorer by right-clicking the Start button, Explore.
2. Next, open your Temporary Internet Files folder. It should be just a few folders down.
3. Now, look at the top of the right pane where all your temporary internet files are. At the top there should be a column labeled Type (along with Name, Internet Address, etc). Click the word "Type". This sorts your files so that all your cookies are lumped together.
4. Almost there. Now, scroll down until you come to your cookie files. They're easy to spot since they have the word "cookie" in their titles. They should have a little text icon next to them as well.

Here's a shot of where you should be right now:



5. Finally, click the top cookie file so it's highlighted (or just move your mouse over it if you have your computer set for single-clicking). Now, scroll down to the last cookie. Hold down your SHIFT key and click it (or just hover over it if you're set for single clicking). That should highlight all of them.

Punch your Delete key, (you'll be asked to confirm) and you'll be rid of them.

# Exploring - Temporary Internet Files

File Edit View Go Favorites Tools Help

Back Forward Up Cut Copy Paste Undo

Address C:\WINDOWS\Temporary Internet Files

Folders	Name	Internet Address	Type
spool	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Start Menu	tmpad	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Control Panel	login	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Favs	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Misc	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Programs	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Sysbckup	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
System	dot.gif*	http://image.excit...	Text Doc
System32	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Tasks	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Temp	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Temporary Internet Files	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc
Tffs95	compaq custom...	Cookie:compaq c...	Text Doc

14 object(s) selected

Internet