

Showing Hidden Files and Folders in Windows Explorer

The information in this tip applies to:

- Windows 2000, and XP

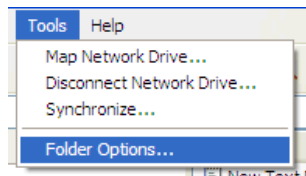
ISSUE

By default, Windows 2000 and XP do not show hidden files and folders. It is sometimes useful to be able to view, delete, or manage in some other way, these hidden files or folders.

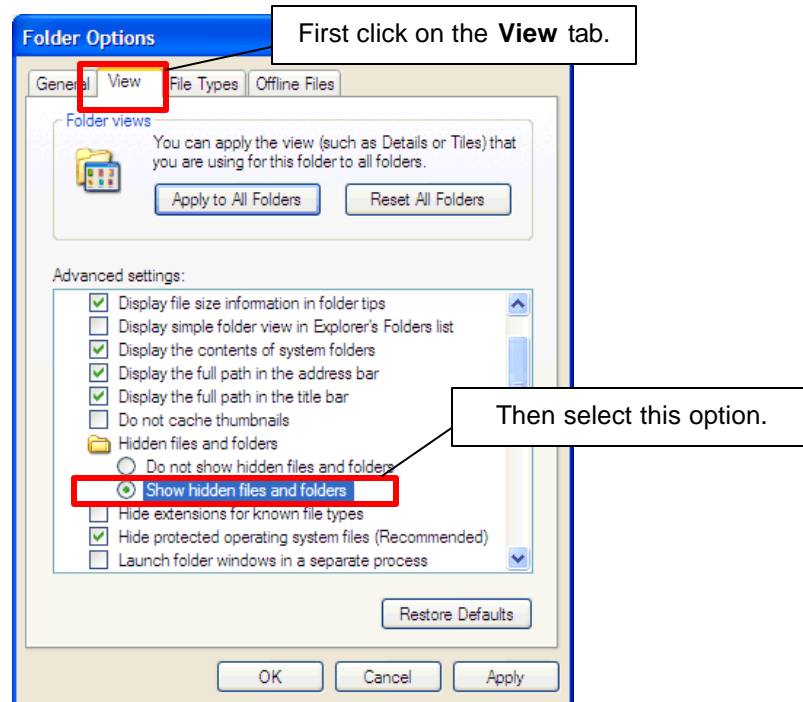
MORE INFORMATION

To be able to view hidden files and folders on your system, do the following in Windows Explorer:

1. Click on **Tools** -> **Folder Options**.



2. Click on the **View** tab, and then select the **"Show hidden files and folders"** option.



After hitting the **OK** button, hidden files and folders should become visible in the Explorer window.