



I installed Internet Explorer 5, but where's my Active Desktop?

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Internet Explorer 5 does **not** contain the Active Desktop. In order to have Active Desktop in Internet Explorer 5, you need to install Internet Explorer 4 with Active Desktop first.

The Windows Desktop Update component which is included with Internet Explorer 4.x and Windows 98 includes the following enhancements to the classic Windows shell:

- The Active Desktop
- A single, customizable Explorer with Web View
- A Web-integrated Start menu and taskbar
- (Single) Click (rather than double-click) items to open them; point at items to select them

To add Windows Desktop Update during Setup, click **Yes** when you are prompted to install the **Windows Desktop Update components**.

Note: You are not prompted to install Windows Desktop Update during Setup when:

- You are installing a downloaded copy of Internet Explorer 4.x from a folder on your local hard disk or network share, and you chose not to download the Windows Desktop Update components
- Windows Desktop Update is already enabled, and you are reinstalling Internet Explorer 4.x

To add Windows Desktop Update if Internet Explorer 4.x is already installed, follow these steps:

1. Select **Start > Settings > Control Panel**, and then double-click **Add/Remove Programs**
2. On the **Install/Uninstall** tab, click **Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.0** in the list of installed programs, and then click **Add/Remove**
3. Click **Add Windows Desktop Update component from Web site**, and then click **OK**. This loads the Internet Explorer 4.0 Components Download Web page
4. Click **Yes** when you are prompted with the following message:

Active Setup is about to determine what Internet components are installed on your computer. Is this OK?

5. Click the **Windows Desktop Update** check box to select it, and then click **Next**
6. Select a download site in the list, and then click **Install Now** to download and install Windows Desktop Update

Note: If you downloaded the Windows Desktop Update components when you downloaded Internet Explorer 4.x to a folder on your local hard disk or a network share, you can install Windows Desktop Update without downloading it from the Download Components Web page by following these steps:

1. Double-click the **Ie4setup.exe** file in the **Internet Explorer 4.0 Setup folder**
2. Click **Yes** when you are prompted to install the Windows Desktop Update components
3. When you are prompted to **Upgrade Only Newer Items or Reinstall All Components**, select **Upgrade Only Newer Items**, click **OK**, and then continue with Active Setup

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