

Monitor Fix

Q. The monitor worked fine until one day the screen had a yellowish cast. I tried all the normal stuff, different video card and different computer, but still had the yellow cast. To confuse things more when the monitor was disconnected from the computer the self test on the monitor had perfect color.

A. This is often caused by the monitor being shoved up against the wall so the connection gets bent.

Pull the computer away from the wall, so the monitor cable could go out straight for a ways, turn the computer and monitor on and move the cable around slightly at the computer connection and when it worked properly wrap it with a big wad of plastic tape. He showed me his monitor that was done that way.

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Stop monitor flickering problems

Opening and closing windows produces an animated zooming effect that you probably won't notice. But with slower video cards, this zooming makes the title bars flicker so much that you can't ignore it. You can fix the problem by editing the registry. (But first, we advise you to back up the registry.)

To do this, click the Start button and choose Run. In the Open text box, type REGEDIT. Navigate to the following registry key:
HKEY_CURRENT_USER\ControlPanel\Desktop\WindowsMetrics.
Next, choose Edit | New | String Value. Type MinAnimate, press [Enter], and double-click on the new entry. Enter a value of 0 and click OK.

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