

DISK MANAGER CLEANUP

For our purposes, we only need to focus on one pair of Cleanmgr commands: SAGESET and SAGERUN. These commands are designed to allow the Windows "System Agent" to automate the running of Cleanmgr, but we can co-opt it for our purposes.

Click on Start, Run then type `cleanmgr /sageset:99` in the Run box, and hit Enter. The Disk Cleanup Tool will run in a special mode that offers you an expanded selection of cleanup choices. Most importantly, it will remember whatever choices you make now, and re-use those same choices when you use a matching "sagerun" command later on.

For now, step through all the choices that the Disk Cleanup Tool offered you, and make whatever choices you wish. Note that some of the offered items may have additional options or advanced settings that become visible when you click or check the item.

I generally select everything that's offered--- I'm looking for maximum cleaning, so I just check everything. But you can select any, all, or none of the offered choices: It's up to you.

And don't worry. If you want to change your mind later, you can. Just re-run the command "`cleanmgr /sageset:99`" and make a new set of choices.

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7) SageRun Completes the Picture

To run the Disk Cleanup tool and invoke the choices you made above, you simply replace "sageset" with "sagerun."

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in the Run box, and hit Enter. The Disk Cleanup Tool then runs, using the stored preferences stored by the previous sageset command. You can run the cleanmgr command this way any time you want.

You can also create many different cleanup scenarios, if you want: The "99" in the example above is arbitrary. You can use `/sageset:1`, `/sageset:2`, `/sageset:3` and so forth, all with different cleaning strategies, and then invoke them with matching `/sagerun:1`, `/sagerun:2`, `/sagerun:3` commands later. For our purposes--- aggressive cleaning--- we'll use `/sageset:99` and `/sagerun:99`

Now, let's take care of what the Disk Cleanup Tool leaves behind.

Although you'll soon have access to a downloadable file that combines the following sets of commands into a single unit, the next few items will discuss the commands separately, as if you were going to type them in manually: That's the best way to understand what the commands do, and to see how you can modify them for your own specific setup.

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