

How to remove OneDrive from File Explorer

1. Use the Windows key + R keyboard shortcut to open the Run command.
2. Type regedit, and click OK to open the registry and goto (there are many, many entries for this Key *018D5C66-4533-4307-9B53-224DE2ED1FE6*, ensure you have the correct one)

HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\CLSID\{018D5C66-4533-4307-9B53-224DE2ED1FE6}

3. Select the {018D5C66-4533-4307-9B53-224DE2ED1FE6} key, and on the right side, double-click the System.IsPinnedToNameSpaceTree DWORD.
4. Change the DWORD value from 1 to 0.

If you want to revert the changes, follow the same steps mentioned above, but this time on step 5 change the System.IsPinnedToNameSpaceTree DWORD value from 0 to 1.

Afterwards, you'll need to prevent OneDrive from changing the value back.

To do this, right click the {018D5C66-4533-4307-9B53-224DE2ED1FE6} key and then click Permissions > Advanced > and then click Add Button. In the dialog box that appears, under *Principal* >click *select a principal and* type *Everyone*, in the area under *Enter the Object name* and then click Check Names> (should be no error) then Ok.

Then under Type Change the *TYPE TO DENY*, and make it apply to *THIS KEY ONLY*.

Click *Show Advanced Permissions*, (on far right side) and check the Set Value box.

Afterwards, click OK and OneDrive should no longer be able to modify that value.

(You may need to goto Advanced button after the Check Name>Ok above and EDIT *Everyone*, to apply the Deny , unlike doing this to Dropbox, where the Type and Apply To is active after the OK)

OneDrive also requires a DENY Permissions in the following Key (use procedure above)

Computer\HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\WOW6432Node\CLSID\{018D5C66-4533-4307-9B53-224DE2ED1FE6}

The System.IsPinnedToNameSpaceTree DWORD should be 0 already but confirm it is as above.

*** While in Regedit , I would suggest you add the Key as a Favourite, for quick access if the need arises. You could also Export the Key for later Import , eg if Win10 or DB is reinstalled.