Firefox Tips

**Problem:** The default ‘Cache’ folder located in “C:\” disk for Mozilla Firefox quickly fills up the “Profile Space”.

**Diagnosis:** I found out about this problem when I made Mozilla Firefox my default browser instead of Internet Explorer (to avoid latter’s security problems).

**Description:** I have downloaded Mozilla Firefox 0.9.2 and made it my default browser to avoid the security problems associated with Internet Explorer. However, I soon realized that the default ‘Cache’ folder fills up quickly and overflows my allocated “Profile Space”. This note gives a one quick solution to the problem.

**Solution:** There are several solutions to the problem. I have found one of the solutions from Mozilla’s online forum [www.moztips.com](http://www.moztips.com) and is described here. Launch the browser and type about:config (no space between “about” “:” and “config”) in the URL box. You will see all the current configurations for the browser displayed in the main browser window. Select one of them and ‘Right Click’ to get a sub-menu ‘New’ and sub-sub-menu ‘String’. This opens a dialog named ‘New string value’ and in the box enter the value (exactly as shown below):

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browser.cache.disk.parent_directory
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and hit enter. This opens another dialog named ‘Enter string value’ and in the box enter a directory name, say “E:\Temp” (or any directory on disk other than “C:\” disk) and hit enter. Restart the browser. Now all your Cache will be stored in the new location and hopefully will not clog your “Profile Space”.

If you need more help please let me know.


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