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Fish

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What is “Fish”?

Fish is a Today component which displays fish on your desktop. They drift around the screen. Slowly. Fish works best if it is the only Today component active. (Of course, “best” is a subjective term).

What does it do?

That’s it. The fish move around the screen. You can tap the screen if you like (haha, tap the glass, get it?), but nothing will happen. There are no secret, hidden features (no, really, there aren’t.). If you keep your device in the cradle on the desktop, it might look pretty for a while.

Does it reduce performance?

Yes, probably. At least when the Today screen is active. The Today screen is refreshed every second or so, and that’s how often the screen display is redrawn.

How can I get rid of it?

At last! A sensible question! As you might know, deleting Today components is a nuisance. If you try to use Remove Programs from the Settings menu, it just doesn’t work. The system tells you that the program is already in use. To get rid of the component totally, you have to make sure the component isn’t in use at all. The component consists of two files: tank.jpg, and fish.dll. It’s this dll file you want to delete. Unfortunately you can’t, so instead you should rename it. Try bait.dll. Then do a reset. Then use Remove Programs. Then reset, and finally delete the bait.dll.

Can’t see fish.dll? Of course you can’t. Microsoft’s File Explorer doesn’t (and won’t) display .dll files. Instead you need to use the Explore option on the Desktop computer, and switch on the Folder option “Show all files”. Then you can see the fish.dll file and rename and remove it.

Why did I install this program?!

I don’t know. We warned you...

I have a monochrome device. It looks awful!

I’ll bet it does. You might try making a monochrome version of the tank.jpg. Hey, you could put a picture of your face in there, and watch the fish swim around. That might be amusing. Go on, try it now. Any standard JPG image will do. Make it 240 pixels wide by 260 pixels tall. Then simply replace the existing tank.jpg file. Send any really cool tank.jpg images to Stellarmetrics, and we won’t send you a prize. Clearly if you have that much free time, you have everything in life you could already want, so a prize would be an insult.

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