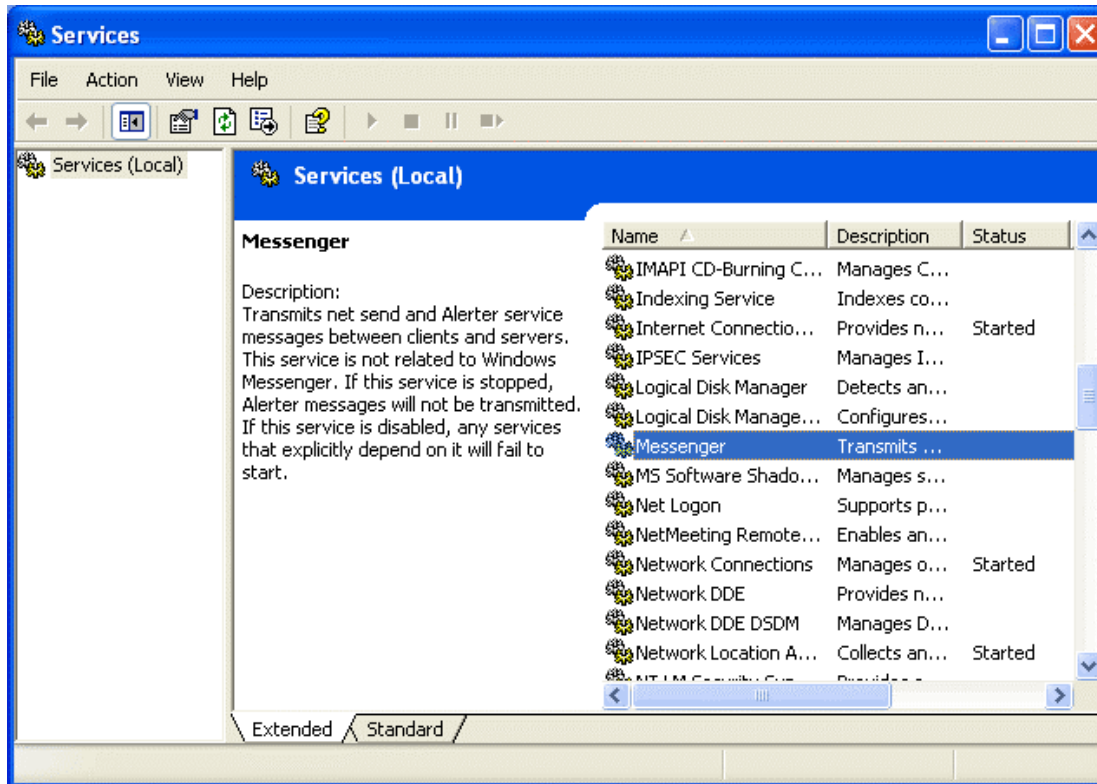




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Disabling the Windows Messenger Service

If you don't want your computer to receive pop-up messages via the Messenger Service, you can follow these instructions to disable it on WinXP:



1. Go to Start | Control Panel | Performance and Maintenance | Administrative Tools.
2. Double-click Services.

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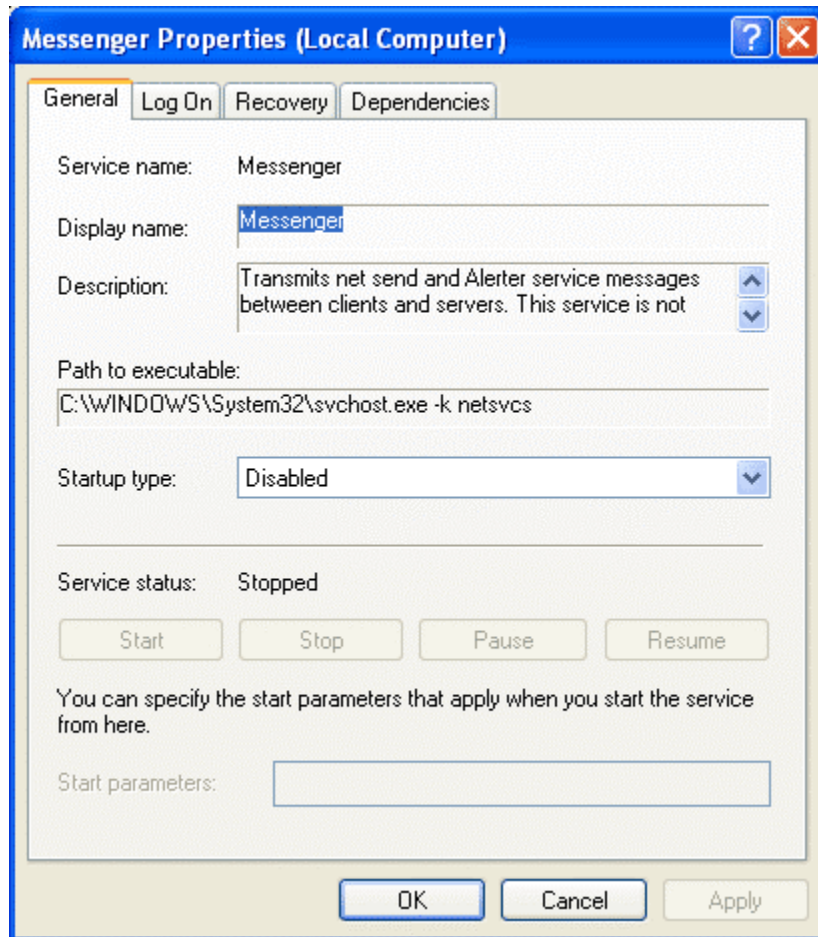
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3. In the Services panel, select Messenger as shown in Figure A.
4. Right-click and select Stop to turn off Messenger.
5. Right-click and select Properties. (You can also simply double-click Messenger).
6. From the Startup Type drop-down list, select Disabled as shown in Figure B. [Next Page!](#)
7. Click OK.

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On Windows NT and Windows 2000, the process for disabling Messenger is similar. Access Services in Administrative Tools and select Disable or Manual as the startup setting in the Properties.

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If you're receiving unwanted ads on your computer in pop-up messages, you can take these steps to turn off the service that allows your computer to receive them. However, in a corporate network environment this may not be an issue or an available option.

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