



## Windows hidden files are visible on Mac side

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## Symptoms

Windows hidden files are shown on macOS via Shared Profile, but even when I isolate Windows virtual machine from the Mac (or turn off Parallels Desktop Sharing Tools), hidden files are still visible on macOS.

## Cause

Hidden files are a vital part of Windows file system, when Windows is isolated from the Mac such files are kept on Mac along with other files created by a user from within Windows (e.g. **docx** and **pptx** Microsoft Office documents).

## Resolution

To remove Windows hidden files from Mac, open Finder and search your Mac for files by filename, e.g. \$RECYCLE.BIN, then remove the files:

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