

Creating a log file in MindView

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Method 1: The Quick-Start Log

This is the fastest and easiest way to generate the log file.

1. **Close MindView:** Make sure the application is fully shut down.
 2. **Activate Logging:** Press and **hold the CAPS LOCK key** on your keyboard while you launch MindView.
 3. **Release and Use:** Once MindView opens, you can release the CAPS LOCK key. Now, simply use the program as you normally would, or try to recreate the specific problem you were seeing.
 4. **Save the Log:** Close MindView to finalize the log file.
 5. **Find the File:** Open your Windows File Explorer (the folder icon) and type `%temp%` into the address bar at the top. This instantly takes you to your temporary files folder .
 6. **Locate the Diary:** Look for a file named `MindViewx.0.log` (The 'x' will be your version number, for example, `MindView9.0.log`). That's the file our team needs!
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Method 2: The Permanent Power-Up

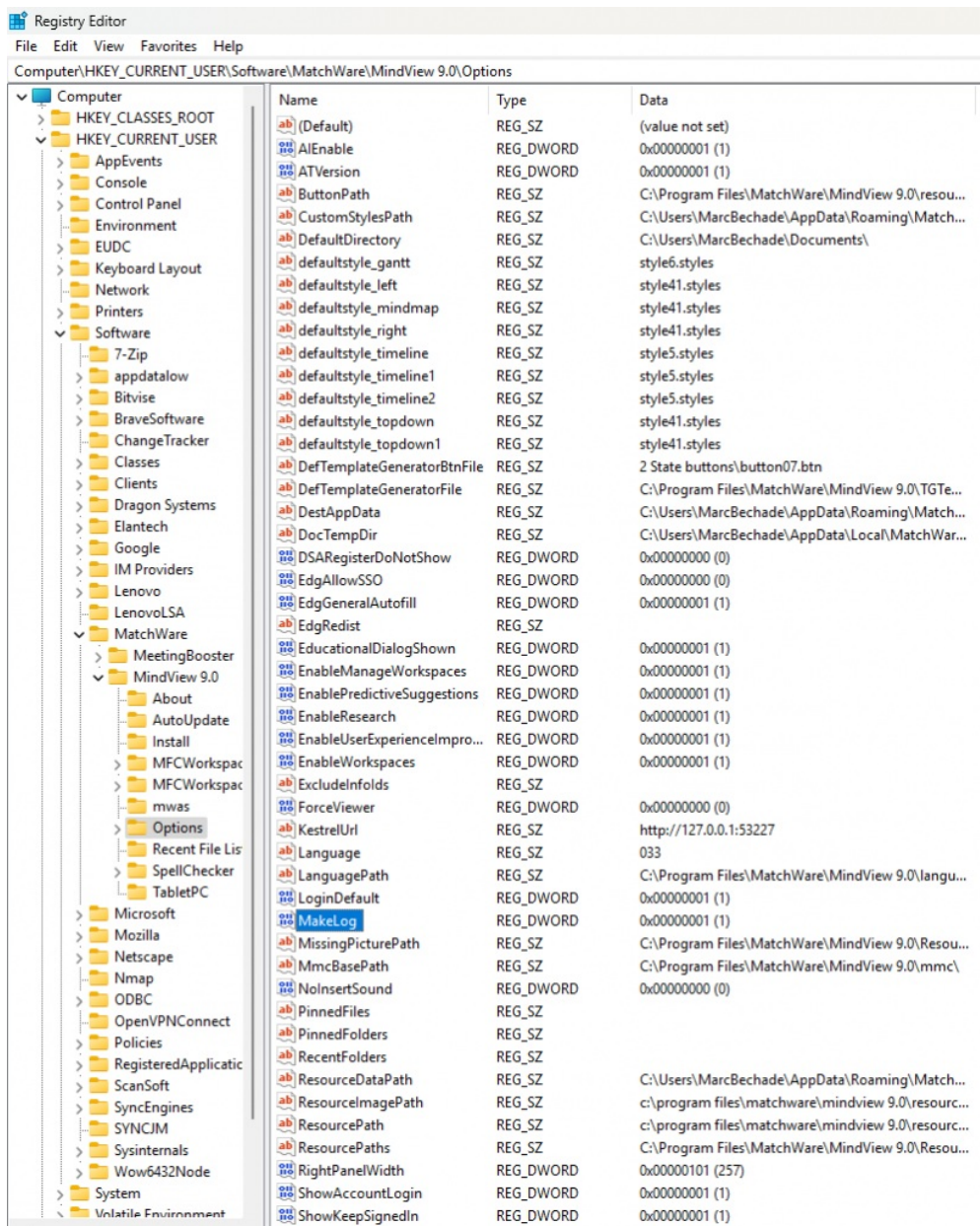
This method is great if you need to create logs repeatedly, as it implements a setting change in your system.

Important Note: This involves using the **Registry Editor** (think of this as the master control panel for your Windows settings). Follow these steps precisely to ensure a smooth, successful change!

1. **Open the Master Control Panel:** In the Windows search box, type `regedit` and select the **Registry Editor** application that appears.
2. **Navigate to the MindView Folder:** In the address bar at the top of the Registry Editor, copy and paste this path to go directly to the right location:

Computer\HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\MatchWare\MindView 9.0\Options

3. **Create the Logging Switch:**
 - In the right-hand panel, right-click on an empty space.
 - Select **New \$ \rightarrow\$ DWORD (32-bit) Value**.
 - Name the new value **MakeLog** (case-sensitive).
 - Double-click on **MakeLog** and change its **Value data** from `0` to `1`.



1. Launch MindView.

2. **Find the File:** Just like in Method 1, open Windows File Explorer and type `%temp%` in the address bar to open your temporary files folder.

3. **Locate the Diary:** Search for the file named `MindViewx.0.log` (e.g., `MindView9.0.log`).