

## Finding Your Mouse Pointer in Windows 7

The mouse settings can be found in the **Control Panel** press 'ctrl' key + **esc** to open the start menu and then type "control panel" in the search box to show the link to the Control Panel or click Start button '**Control Panel**' + '**Ease of Access**' + '**Ease of Access Center**'.

In the Ease of Access Center select "**Make the Mouse Easier to Use**"

Then select "**Mouse settings**"

This opens the '**Mouse Properties**' window.

Click to select the **Pointers** tab or '**Tab**' and use the arrow keys. Here you can customise your mouse pointer to one you can easily see.

Press '**Alt**' + '**S**' and use the arrow keys or click on the drop down list under **Scheme** to scroll through the options.

Select the '**Pointer Options**' tab.

The **Visibility** settings allow you to improve the visibility of the mouse pointer on the screen. To turn on Display pointer trail press '**Alt**' + '**D**' or click to select, see Fig 1.

To hide the mouse pointer when typing turn on **Hide pointer while typing**, press '**Alt**' + '**H**' or click to select.

**Show location of pointer when I press the Ctrl key** allows you to locate the mouse pointer by pressing the **Ctrl** key, click to select or press '**Alt**' + '**S**'.

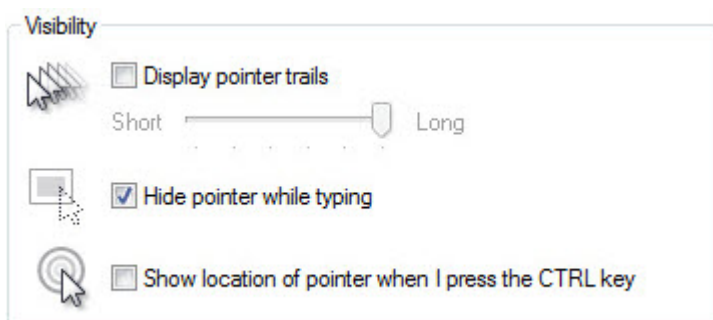


Fig 1

## From the Desktop

You can also make the mouse easier to find by right clicking anywhere on the desktop and select '**Personalise**'.

Select '**Change mouse pointers**'.

This opens the mouse properties window as described above.

**Note:** If this does not work it could be because your computer settings cannot be changed due to local IT policies - contact your local IT support for further help.