

## Re: File sharing and wireless roaming

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Thanks for the reply, I'll at least set a password on the shared folders, and just have the home machines remember them. I don't keep anything critical in the shared folders anyway. Seems like an ideal way would be a small utility that you could click to shut file sharing off for mobile use, and click to turn it back on when you get home, if such a thing is possible.

Gary

"N. Miller" <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:MPG.1bd127d2a8173fe198a49c@msnews.microsoft.com...

> *In article <uNE#MpYrEHA.1160@tk2msftngp13.phx.gbl>, Gary R. says...*  
> *Make it a need for a password on the home network; then your laptop shares*  
> *will be password protected at the cafe. More layers are better. WEP can be*  
> *cracked in some period of time. If you are encrypting tactical secrets,*  
> *the*  
> *outcome of which will be accomplished within two weeks, WEP is fine.*  
> *Otherwise...*  
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>  
> *I was able to connect to shares on computers exposing them to the*  
> *Internet,*  
> *even when not using the same workgroup name, or being in the same network*  
> *segment. "Workgroup" identities an ad hoc group of computers being used in*  
> *common projects; it was never intended as a security measure. Your best*  
> *security is password protection on the shares.*  
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> *The Windows Firewall probably will only protect you from people not on*  
> *your*  
> *network segment. You will have established some level of trust for the*  
> *network; that will extend to any computer sharing that network segment.*  
>  
>> *There is nothing especially private in either of them at any time, but*  
>> *I'd*  
>> *prefer that someone sitting in the coffee shop can't just click on*  
>> *"network*  
>> *places" and see my workgroup and folders there, or worse, access them. I*  
>> *can set a password for the full sharing of the folders; but regardless of*  
>> *that would like to know if they would be able to see my shared resources,*  
>> *and if so what can be done short of turning sharing off when I travel.*

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- > *Even password protected shares can be see; I have done it over the*
- > *Internet.*
- > *There is nothing you can do, short of binding shares to some esoteric*
- > *network protocol not normally used by cafe customers.*
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- > --
- > *Norman*
- > *~Win dain a lotica, En vai tu ri, Si lo ta*
- > *~Fin dein a loluca, En dragu a sei lain*
- > *~Vi fa-ru les shutai am, En riga-lint*