

## Re: Question about download blockers and Parental Controls...

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Malke wrote:

> *Patrick Dickey wrote:*

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>>*Hi everyone,*

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>>*I received an e-mail the other evening from a person with a*

>>*question*

>>*about download blockers. She has a teen-aged step-son along with a*

>>*couple of younger children, and wants something to put on the computer*

>>*to prevent the teenager from downloading things to the computer. The*

>>*only issue is, she and her husband don't want to have to use a*

>>*password or anything to be able to download things.*

>>*Their computer is a newer Dell, with Windows XP Home Edition on it.*

>>*So, what they're looking for is something to prevent limited users*

>>*from downloading files/programs (without a password, preferably) while*

>>*allowing Computer Administrators to still download files/programs*

>>*without having to type a password or anything like that.*

>>*Also, given the circumstances (the computer is located in the*

>>*basement where the teenager and their 7 year old daughter sleep, and*

>>*the adult's work schedules), if the download controller comes bundled*

>>*with a*

>>*decent Parental Controls program, they would like that too.*

>>*Otherwise, they're mainly concerned with the download controller.*

>>*Thanks in advance for any suggestions. I'm also crossposting this*

>>*to a couple of other newsgroups where it applies somewhat as well.*

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> *Hi, Patrick. Possibly the new Microsoft Shared Computer Toolkit might*

> *work for them. However, I don't see how they can work this without*

> *using passwords. Here's a link to the Toolkit:*

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> <http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/sharedaccess/faq.msp>

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> *Malke*

microsoft.public.security: Re: Question about download blockers and Parental Controls...

I'll have to check this out more. Thanks Malke. I should point out that each user account is password protected. When I referred to passwords in my OP, I should have clarified that she tried to use the MSN Premium Parental Controls, but that required her and the other Administrator to enter a password in order to go to certain sites (and download files) even though they don't have Parental Controls on their accounts.

So, if the only password required is the one to get into their User Account, then this is almost perfect. It's just passwords to bypass the blockers, that she's trying to avoid here.

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