

Re: Power User Vs. Admin

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An administrator is all powerful on the computer while a power user has increased access compared to a regular user for write/modify permissions to many file and registry areas, a few more user rights, the ability to create shares, and the ability to create and manage non admin accounts. Often an application can be made to work if the user has the necessary permissions to all related folders/registry keys and necessary user rights but not always. If you enable auditing of failure for object access you may see failures for the user that cause the application to fail and often these failures can only be resolved by making the user a local administrator. I tried out of curiosity to make my Norton antivirus work fully functional for a regular user and it could not be done after I made sure the user had all the necessary permissions and user rights. Failures appeared for object access that when I researched could only be remedied by making the user and administrator. — Steve

"Chris Cairns" <ccairns@hampton-hampton.com> wrote in message news:ea3RQC9GFHA.3484@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...

- > *Is there any documentation that describes the exact differences between a*
- > *power user and members of the admin account? I have an application that*
- > *will not run unless users are admins. I really can give them admin*
- > *access but I know that the app does not work if they are power users.*
- > *Therefore I suspect the issue lies somewhere in-between.*
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