

Re: Truncated User Accounts & Private Folders

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You only need to be logged in as a member of the administrators group in Pro with simplified sharing shut off, or in Pro or Home logged into the F8 Safe Mode. Then you can access the properties of the folder at the root of the denied area, and use the Advanced and then Owner options within the Security tab in the properties of that root area. It will ask if you desire to have the permissions reset – to which you would say yes.

BTW, you are correct that this is related to use of the Make Private option. Using this essentially modifies the folder so that only the account itself has any grants at the NTFS level. This is stored in the NTFS security info, not in the registry. This is overcome as above outlined. Administrators can always take ownership, and the owner can always alter permissions even when they have none granted to them.

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"Brent" <bbratz@cox.net> wrote in message
news:005601c23f37\$72d55550\$19ef2ecf@tkmsftngxa01...

> I am having the same issue that Keith and Roger noted
> below, but if Keith is encountering what I am -you can't
> even view the data files within the old profile, so you
> can't get in to the folders/files to take ownership. (I
> am receiving "Access Denied").

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> I have concluded this is related to the "Make folders
> Private" option I selected at some point. Does anyone
> know which file or registry setting may be saving these
> private folder settings & thus preventing access?

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> I've tried to recreate new user accounts with
> "owner.{PC Name}" to try to regain access, but to no avail.

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> Thx - Brent
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> p.s. - Those of you dying to tell me to resort to my back-
> up need not reply. If I had an opportunity to back up
> before it failed, I would have. :)
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> >-----Original Message-----
> >Roger,
> >
> >Thanks for your response. What would I look under in the
> >Help system?
> >
> >-Keith
> >>-----Original Message-----
> >>You need to take ownership of the folders of the
> >>old account, and when asked allow it to reset the
> >>permissions on the contents. There is info on this
> >>in the Help system. If you have Home, then you
> >>will need to do this from a safe mode (F8) boot.
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> >>"Keith" <babs06@yahoo.com> wrote in message
> >>news:1d8701c23edd\$af5clfe0\$3bef2ecf@TKMSFTNGXA10...
> >>> Question regarding XP and user accounts. I had to
> >>> recently reinstall XP on my box. All of my files are
> >>> still on the hard drive, but I can not access them
> >>> because
> >>> they are still related to a user account that no longer
> >>> exists.
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> >>> I have tried to recreate the account, however XP just
> >>> adds
> >>> a “*.HOME” to the same user account.
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> >>> My question is what can I do to take those files out of
> >>> that restricted folder so that I can use them?
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> >>> Thanks,
> >>> -Keith
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