

## Moving User "Document and Settings" Folder to a new drive

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Yes this is possible.

Login in as Administrator. Create a Users folder at the root of D:\ if there is not already one there. Next, go to the command prompt (DOS window) and type:  
xcopy C:\Docume~1\\*.\* D:\Users\ /E/C/H/K  
This will copy all their existing profile information to D: once copied you can delete the user folders from C:\Documents and Settings. Delete only the user folders, not Administrator, LocalService, and so on. If you are not sure, leave the folder.

Right click My Computer and select properties, click the Advanced tab and then click Settings in the User Profiles section. Delete all the user profiles. Again, do not delete Administrator or Hogan if they exist. If there are user profiles you cannot delete, restart and try again.

Run regedit. Goto to  
HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\ProfileList and change ProfilesDirectory from '%SystemDrive%\Documents and Settings' to 'D:\Users'.

Have the user(s) log back in and check to see if the profile is created in D:\Users.

-Cort

>-----Original Message-----

>I have Windows XP Home Edition on 1 PC and Windows XP Pro on another - I

>would like a solution for both.

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>I would like to move ALL the document and settings  
folders from the default  
>location in the Windows XP drive to another drive  
letter. I can move most of  
>the folders like My Music, My Pictures and My Documents  
either with the  
>registry or TWEAKUI (which is time consuming) but new  
accounts will still  
>have folders set up in the windows XP drive. I want new  
accounts to be set  
>up in my new location, in this case D:/Users.  
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>Is this possible?  
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>Thanks in advance.  
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