

Re: Simple File Sharing

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Elijah: I'm not sure why your company built a business network on XP home rather than Pro. XP home is designed for home users who are primarily used to the Win9x platform and thus many security features are designed to be hidden/transparent so that Win9x users don't have to learn complex new concepts. I would recommend upgrading to Pro to get a more business-oriented product not to mention additional security features missing in XP Home.

Tom: The solution suggested would not really help you for remote sharing. The "Simple File Sharing" is a metaphor designed for XP Home that simplifies sharing for Win9x users. That's why it gives you these limited options and doesn't allow access to the Security or Sharing tabs. The solution you've been given -- if it works -- may show you the security tabs so you'd be able to assign rights to specific user accounts but, ultimately, these will be pointless for remote access because all remote authentications are hardcoded to come in as Guest, no matter what user credentials you use. They will only work for local users.

Thank you

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"Elijah" <pitpawten@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:OH09HtjRDHA.1552@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

> Freakin A'!

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> Best suggestion ive found yet nice program.

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> I knew it was just a matter of time until people started to make the > programs to convert XP Home to Pro, this is the first step i would take.

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> Do you know of any more programs (as that site is in danish i think), that > do this kind of thing, add things that are "only available" (not hidden) in

> XP Pro?

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> Thanks again you just helped a small company IT guy stop screwing around

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and
> going into safe mode to administrate 50 xp home computers on a network
that
> the company built.
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> Elijah
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> "Kent W. England [MVP]" <kwe@mvps.org> wrote in message
> news:%23uNDNlcRDHA.1720@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...
>> You can't disable simple file sharing, but you can add the security tab
>> back, if you like.
>> http://www.fajo.de/sware/files/xpfse/FJXPFileSecExt_0_2_Setup_EN.exe
>> This is safe, I've tested it. It just brings it up from safe mode to
>> normal mode in a slightly different context.
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>> If you don't know anything about NTFS permissions, post back with a
>> description of what you want to do and we can give you some advice.
>> There are pitfalls that inexperienced users always fall into when
>> fiddling with NTFS permissions. Experiment on a folder that you can
>> afford to lose.
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>> --
>> Kent W. England, Microsoft MVP for Windows
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>> "Tom Petrocelli" <tom_petrocelli@yahoo.com> wrote in
>> message news:798a01c344ae\$4c739f70\$a401280a@phx.gbl...
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>>> That doesn't work unfortunately since I want to share
>>> directories with some other users/computers and not
>>> others. Since my kids and I operate on the same network
>>> and I have a laptop that I use as well, having open
>>> sharing or completely private shares are not good options.
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>>> Thwe knowledgebase seems to indicate that XP Home has
>>> this option though it doesn't appear.
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>>> Any other options? Registry magic perhaps?
>>> >-----Original Message-----
>>> >Tom;
>>> >Simple File Sharing is hardwired in Windows XP Home and
>>> can not be
>>> >disabled.
>>> >
>>> >Do you want to make folders private:
>>> >[http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=KB;EN-](http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=KB;EN-US;Q307286&)
>>> >US;Q307286&
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>>> >--
>>> >Jupiter Jones [MVP]
>>> >An easier way to read newsgroup messages:
>>> >[http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/pro/using/newsgroups/s](http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/pro/using/newsgroups/setup.asp)
>>> >etup.asp
>>> >Please respond to newsgroup only for everyone's benefit.
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>>> >
>>> >"Tom Petrocelli" <tom_petrocelli@yahoo.com> wrote in
>>> >message
>>> >>news:094001c344a6\$d2ed8ff0\$a001280a@phx.gbl...
>>> >>> I'm trying to turn off simple file sharing on my XP
>>> >>> Home

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> > > >> system but the option is not showing up in the Folder
> > > >> Options | View | Advanced Setting section. Anyone know
> > > >> why thath may be or another way to turn it off.
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