

Re: How to bypass administrator permissions on my own system

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I have a cloned copy of an older XP system on a removable drive that had several user groups. I recently reinstalled XP SP2 on my main computer and now the removable drive no longer allows me access to the administrator accounts my documents folders. How can I bypass the file folder permissions so that I may retrieve my old data?

You need to disable Simple File Sharing and take ownership of the files. Take a look at these articles for more info:

How to disable simplified sharing and set permissions on a shared folder in Windows
XP<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/307874/>

How to take ownership of a file or folder in Windows
XP<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:en-us:308421>

"Access is Denied" Error Message When You Try to Open a Folder<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/810881>

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Note: If you are running Microsoft Windows XP Home Edition, you must start the computer in safe mode, and then log on with an account that has Administrative rights to have access to the Security tab. To start in Safe Mode, reboot your computer and start tapping the F8 key as soon as you see anything displayed on the screen. Keep hitting F8 until the Advanced Startup Options menu appears. Use the up and down arrow keys on your keyboard to select Safe Mode. Hit Enter.

Good luck

Nepatsfan

My newer version of XP on my C drive has no user groups but the removable drive does and no longer recognizes me as the administrator.

By booting in safe mode, doesn't that only affect the newly installed

OS and does nothing for the removable drive? How is that going to help

bypass the administrator file permissions on the removable drive?

I probably should have asked this question earlier but what exactly do you mean by "removable drive"? How are you accessing it from your current XP installation? How is it connected to your main computer? Is it formatted NTFS?

As for your questions, here's what taking ownership involves.

Unless the files were encrypted, being denied access to folders on a drive formatted NTFS is usually a permissions issue. Often it's simply a matter of giving your account Full Control permissions to the folder. This gets complicated if the files are from a different XP installation. You need to take ownership of the folders before you can assign your account FC permissions.

To take ownership and change NTFS permissions, you need to access the Security tab of the folders properties sheet. In Windows XP Professional or Media Center Edition this is accomplished by disabling Simple File Sharing in the Control Panel -> Folder Options applet. In XP Home Edition, you need to boot the computer into Safe Mode to gain access to the Security

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tab. XP Home does not provide a way to disable Simple File Sharing.

Post back if you have any other questions.

Good luck

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