

## Re: How to disable write access for CD/DVD drive?

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### Disable CD Burning

If XP Pro or Home, edit the registry...

### Disable CD Burning

Start | Run | Type: regedit | Click OK |

Navigate to >>>

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\  
Policies\Explorer

Value Name: NoCDBurning

Data Type: REG\_DWORD (DWORD Value)

Value Data: 0 or 1

0 = Allow CDR

1 = Disable CDR

Create a new DWORD value, or modify the existing value, called 'NoCDBurning'  
and edit the value according to the settings above.

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[http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp\\_tweak\\_bookmarks.htm](http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp_tweak_bookmarks.htm)

If XP Pro only, use Group Policy.

Start | Run | Type: gpedit.msc | Click OK

Local Computer Policy\User Configuration\Administrative Templates\  
Windows Components\Windows Explorer\  
Remove CD Burning features

Windows Explorer allows you to create and modify re-writable CDs if you have  
a CD writer connected to your PC.

If you enable this setting, all features in the Windows Explorer that allow  
you to use your CD writer are removed.

If you disable or do not configure this setting, users are able to use the  
Windows Explorer CD burning features.

Note: This setting does not prevent users from using third-party  
applications to create or modify CDs using a CD writer.

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

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In [news:8D871F35-7FBA-4B23-8A97-548DE264FF76@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:8D871F35-7FBA-4B23-8A97-548DE264FF76@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx),  
Asterisks <Asterisks@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:

Hi,  
I'm trying to disable the write access for CD/DVD drive but still allow  
user to read from the drive. Is there a way to do this in Windows XP?

Appreciate your advice :-)

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