

Re: Map network drive for user using VB/ASP.NET

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On Jun 30, 12:21 pm, Brian Nicholson

<BrianNichol...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

"Brian Nicholson" wrote:

That's exactly what I would like to do, but I don't see how that could be done with this class (or other methods I've found). If I were to supply an admin username/password, it would map the drive to that admin user -- I want to perform this task under an admin account, but the drive should actually be mapped for another user.

As for doubting the impossibility of doing this without ActiveX, you might be right -- I think the Microsoft MVP may have misunderstood what I was trying to do.

Scratch that -- I originally thought that the username and password were for the destination of the drive mapping, but it makes more sense that the username and password is to simply supply credentials for mapping the drive on the local computer. I guess my question then is how do I get this script to execute on a specified computer other than the web server?

To me, the easiest solutions would be to write a small Window's app that maps the network drive and then publish that application to your website. Then, using ClickOnce deployment, all a user would have to do is click the link, select 'Run', and then the window's app would run and map the drive. The nice thing is that since it's a Window's app, you can easily run impersonation and run the "map drive" commands under an admin account, invisible to the user.

Thanks,

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