

Re: Loose File Association with Limited User Account with Office 2

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Hi Jay,

Thanks for responding to my question. I followed the instructions you provided. Unfortunately, it did not solve my problem. I still have Word default to Wordpad whenever I logon with my limited user account. Do you please have any other ideas for me? Thanks.

Fubdap

"Jay Freedman" wrote:

fubdap wrote:

I installed Enterprise Office 2007 on WnXP SP2. The installation went smoothly. I can see all my previous office data (word, excel, etc). In windows explorer, when I click on word or excel, the appropriate application launches. However, when I switch to my limited user account, I lose the file association. All my word documents are in WordPad. From windows explorer, when I click on them, it launches WordPad. I have tried the "open with" option. It will open with word 2007, but it will not change the file association. When I give the limited user account admin privileges, everything is fine. But when I take away the admin privilege, I am back to square one. I am guessing this will require registry setting, but I do not know how to go about it. Any and all suggestions will be appreciated.

In the limited account, open the Start > Run box and enter

winword /r

(see <http://www.word.mvps.org/FAQs/AppErrors/ReRegisterWord.htm>).

If that doesn't work, then the limited account doesn't have permission to write to the necessary parts of the registry. The general procedure in the

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Workaround section of <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/884202> would be needed to grant the permission temporarily. Not knowing the whole list of registry keys that need to be changed by the registration command, I think you'll have to give Full Control permission to access at least the entire HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT and HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE sections instead of the keys listed in step 3. Run the command above instead of step 7, then remove the Full Control permissions.

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Regards,

Jay Freedman

Microsoft Word MVP FAQ: <http://word.mvps.org>

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