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Hello Tony,

My understanding of the issue is: You attach databases to SQL Express in Vista, but you cannot run any SP to add login etc because they are "read only". If it's not correct, please let me know.

Based on my experience, this issue could occur if the SQL Server service startup account does not have the proper permission on the folder hosting the MDF/LDF files. You may try to use "local system" account as startup account to see if the issue persists.

If it helps, you may want to change back to the original account and grant full control permission to the folder to test. Please see following link for more related information:

Setting Up Windows Service Accounts

[http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms143504\(SQL.90\).aspx](http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms143504(SQL.90).aspx)

Also, please make sure the mdf/ldf files in the folder is not marked as "read-only".

If you have further questions or any updates, please feel free to let's know. Thank you.

Best Regards,

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