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I very often can't edit or move files/folders without getting a sharing violation message!

I have a collection of MP3s, for example. I have a program that allows me to change the ID3 tags very easily via a context menu tab addition. This system worked with not one hitch in Win98SE for 6 years! I attempt to change tags now and this rarely works. I've since installed another tag editor thinking it might be the app itself giving me problems but no such thing! This tag editor has a message column and 9 out of 10 times it shows an error message in that box saying it couldn't change tag as file was in use!!! It was not in use by `_me_`, but by Windows for Pete's sake!

I just bought an mp3 player so I'm moving MP3 files off of my back-up CDs all the time after which, as always, I remove the read-only attribute. So due to the slightly higher volume of files I'm working with, the error messages are happening with much greater frequency than before and it's becoming a very serious problem. When I first copy the MP3, it might allow me to change filename and tag. As the original info is often too long and my mp3 portable player is a 1"-square block and so the display is very small, I am constantly trying to shorten names and tags! But Win2K is forever giving me problems and doesn't allow me to do either.

I've looked and looked through the internet archives of this ng but there isn't much info re this problem and none of the solutions offered have helped! I changed windows to classic view, for example, nothing. DI Process Explorer and that was no help at all. Etc., etc. If there was an app that showed file extensions and the accompanying process keeping a hold of it along with the option to kill that process, `_that_` would be the only thing that would help. Or stopping this Win2K behaviour to begin with! I'm the administrator of my home computer, for crying out loud! I should be the one to decide, as I did for 6 years, what I want to do with my files!! <g>

Can someone pls help? I'm new to maintaining my own Win2K at home so I'm not very knowledgeable yet but just know I can't keep having these

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problems! I was forced to upgrade to Win2K, however, because a couple of new programs I need have a minimum requirement of Win2K. But I'm getting so darned frustrated with all the glitches in this OS that I'm ready to return to Win98SE for daily use and installing Win2K in a small partition for just those other apps I need. But what a complete drag if I have to go that route! But I have too many annoyances like this creeping up with Win2K (despite sp 4!).

Hope someone knows a definitive and workable daily solution to this sharing violation thing that keeps coming up and I thank anyone in advance for it! :oD