

Re: sp2

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Hi Chris,

They are the same internal engine, it's just that XP SP2 Home is missing some policy editors commonly only used in a corporate environment. The core operating system is the same. Differences:

- WinXP Pro will allow 10 inbound connections, Home only 5
- Pro has policy editors (useful in a corporate environment)
- Pro has IIS (useful if you build server apps)
- Pro can become part of a domain (another corporate use)
- Both use simple file sharing by default, but it can only be disabled in Pro
- Firewall and file security between users is the same
- Encrypted file system is only available in Pro

If you need any of the benefits of a Pro system, then go with it. Otherwise, most home users are happy with XP Home.

More details:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/home/howtobuy/choosing2.asp>

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Best of Luck,

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"Chris Taylor" <ctaylor@nosspam.au.net.netc> wrote in message news:41bc208f@news.comindico.com.au...

> is XP home sp2 and XP Pro SP2 the same

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> Chris Taylor wrote:

>> I have a computer that never touches the net I would like to install XP

>> Pto Sp2 can I get a copy of this somehow

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