

RE: user profile corrupted, lost all my settings

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I'm having the same problem. except the last thing i did was to run a virus and adaware scan, I quarintined some fiels and reg keys, when i started it up and tried to log on, it also gave me the message.

I've tried looking up some ways to fix it, but the two ways that i've found, (i haven't tried either yet) are to:

1) make a new user account from the administrator account(only available through safe mode, I think), and transfer over all files in C:/Documents and Settings/[user_name_here]/ over except for ntuser.dat; ntuser.ini; and ntuser.dat.log then delete the old account.

2) (not to sure on this one)delete 'ntuser.dat' or 'ntuser.ini', the web site i got that from wasn't sure. apperintly it will also leave you without any desktop icons, but you will be able to log on.

Like i said I haven't tried either of these yet, thought the first one sure seems to be the way to go.

What I really want to know is: is there a way to repair this through the registry? Any thoughts?

"nsrbb5" wrote:

> okay i came home last night to find my computer crashed,
> blue screen. i hard restarted it and skipped checkdisk
> (shoulda run it) and windows wouldn't load. so i
> restarted and let checkdisk run. after running and fixing
> several corrupted files, windows would now load. i log in
> with my usual user profile (the only user profile on my
> computer) and windows worked.

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> this morning i kept getting a windows pop-up saying that
> certain file were corrupted and i should run checkdisk.
> so i went to command prompt and ran "chkdsk /f" and
> restarted. after restart, checkdisk fixed some corrupted
> files and windows loaded. at the login screen i typed in
> my user (profile) name and password, and while loading
> the profile i get the error:

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> "windows cannot load your user profile, it may be

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- > *corrupted". so now i have to log in with this stupid*
- > *temporary profile which has NOTHING set up the way i like*
- > *it. my questions:*
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- > *1) what the f happened (to the user profile)*
- > *2) how can i fix the user profile? is there anyway to*
- > *repair my corrupted profile?*
- > *3) the error tells me to "contact the administrator", but*
- > *the user profile is the administrator account, what can*
- > *the "administrator" do to fix this*
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- > *this has happened to me once before, with the same*
- > *computer, same OS a couple months ago. i couldn't find*
- > *out how to fix it, so i had to copy my files from*
- > *d:\documents and settings and e:\my documents and create*
- > *a new user profile. but NOW i can't delete my previous*
- > *profile, because it is the administrator's profile. which*
- > *led to me reinstalling windows, which i really don't have*
- > *time for right now. all i want is my stupid user profile*
- > *back and all my options set up so i can use my computer*
- > *properly!!!!*
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- > *i'm running a dual boot with XP pro and 98se. this error*
- > *only pertains to the XP pro install of windows. i have*
- > *SP1 installed but not SP2. please someone out there know*
- > *what i'm talking about and how to fix this stupid mess*
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