

# Windows XP User Rights

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I want to share a CD ROM Drive and specify which users can have access to it.

The computer is joined to a domain so I go to User Accounts and add a local user called X using the button to add a local user (because the user is not part of the domain that this machine is joined to). I make them a Power User.

I go to the CD ROM drive, right click, sharing and security, enter share name cdrom, click Permissions button, specify that user X will have access. Give them Full Control.

I then try to get access to the CDROM from another computer, running Windows 98, which is not joined to the domain. Try logging on as X with their password. No go. Asked for a password to access the CDROM, put the password in, told "Incorrect Password". (The dialog box that appears is the peer to peer one, with only a password field, not the domain access one for both username and password)

The only way I can get access to the CDROM drive is to log onto the Windows 98 machine using the administrator username and password of the XP machine. Then, it works fine.

My understanding of peer to peer resource access in Windows XP (going back to NT4) is that I need to have a user account on the Windows XP machine. It doesn't need to be an administrator. So logging on as X should give me access to the shared resource because X has a local user account on the XP computer. But it doesn't work. Why is that?