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- > "Steve N." <*me@here.now*> wrote
- > Yet another of the many reasons I am glad I don't use XP Home.
- > : Steve
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- > What are the others?

First and foremost, the fact that an XP Home installation leaves the Administrator account password *BLANK* – a hacker's dream come true! (WTF were you thinking Microsoft?!?! Or rather, WTF? Were you even THINKING, Microsoft?!?!) With internet security probably THE major concern of the era I am frankly appalled at this!

Next, the inability to login as Administrator without booting to Safe Mode. Pain in the proverbial @\$\$.

Next, the inability to disable Simple File Sharing (required for setting specific NTFS file/folder permissions and network shares) without booting to Safe Mode and logging in as Administrator. (PITA comes to mind again.)

Next, the limit to 5 concurrent LAN connections to an XP Home host vs. 10 connections available in all other versions of Windows that I have had experience with. Personally, I have four PCs on my home LAN at this time and plan to have more when and if I choose to do so. XP home is definitely not for me.

Next, the inability to join a Windows domain or connect to other non-MS network services (such as Netware, Citrix and Unix/Linux servers). Not a big deal for home users, but I've lost count of how many people in our organization (a large school district) bought or won (at a raffle or some such nonsense) an XP Home PC that was completely useless on our network.

There are others, I just don't recall them. Do a search for yourself.

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