

## Re: Undocumented file permissions????

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On 2005-01-09, Rick "Nutcase" Rogers <rick@mvps.org> wrote:

- > Hi,
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- > *You need to take ownership of the files from the previous installation.*
- > *Right-click the folder, select properties. Go to the security tab and click*
- > *advanced. You can take control of the folders on the owner tab. For the*
- > *security tab to appear in a WinXP Pro system, you must disable simple file*
- > *sharing in the control panel/folder options/view tab. For a WinXP Home*
- > *system, you must restart in safe mode and logon as administrator. More*
- > *details here:*
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- > *HOW TO: Take Ownership of a File or Folder in Windows XP [Q308421]*
- > <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=308421>

Have checked out the info as well as the other 3 references regarding ntfs permissions.....obvious conclusion:

microsoft made a HUGE BUG with ntfs permissions

Nowhere in any of the docs state why the \*ADMINISTRATOR\* cannot have full control of a folder or file; the Administrator is being treated like just another user when it comes to permissions, sometimes, as in the Administrator must go elsewhere to change sharing permissions prior to taking ownership of the file.

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- > *An additional note for WinXP Pro users: This procedure will not help you*
- > *recover data if the files are encrypted. All you will be able to do is*
- > *delete them. To recover encrypted files you will need the original*
- > *encryption certificate or a Recovery Agent from the installation under which*
- > *they were encrypted. Without one of these, the files are not recoverable.*
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