

# Re: What the hey is the read-attribute for on folders

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Martin Sherred <[MartinSherred@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:MartinSherred@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> typed:

> on NTFS volumes? The application of seems to have no effect on  
> anything. Is this useable?

The read-only flag has no meaning for folders. When you look at that check box, it can have three settings: on (black check), off (empty box), and not applicable (gray check). Folders have that gray check mark.

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