

# Re: System Administrator Not Available

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Rose,

This should work for any version of XP to get into Safe Mode.

To start the computer in safe mode

[http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/boot\\_failsafe.mspx](http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/boot_failsafe.mspx)

If for some reason the F8 method does not work, and this can happen, see this for the System Configuration Tool Method.

Using the System Configuration Tool Method

<http://www.bleepingcomputer.com/forums/index.php?showtutorial=61#winxo>

Some machines use the F8 key to get into the BIOS and the F8 method does not work to get into Safe Mode. There other reasons also, but that doesn't matter now.

1. Click Start, click Turn Off Computer, and then click Restart.
2. After the computer completes the Power On Self Test (POST), press F8, and then click Safe mode

NOTE: If you have difficulty getting to the Safe mode menu command, press F8 repeatedly after you turn on the computer.

NOTE: If F8 does not work, use the System Configuration Tool Method to access Safe Mode.

3. Log on as an Administrator, or with another account that has Administrator permissions.
4. Click Start, click Settings, click Control Panel, and then click User Accounts.
5. Click the Administrator icon.

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

Wes

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Original Administrator Account Does Not Appear During Friendly Logon  
Method <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/281992>

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

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Rosebud <Rosebud@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:

I recently added a user account, made it a system administrator, changed the original administrator account to a "limited" user acct., then restarted the computer. The new user acct. does not show up on the user acct screen, and now, since the other acct was chgd to a limited user, I cannot even get into any place where changes or help menus can be accessed. Help! It seems I am "dead in the water" here.

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