

Re: Widows XP reload problem

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Hi,

Programs need to be reinstalled from the original installation media. If files tell you "access denied", then you need to take ownership of them.

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:

HOW TO: Take Ownership of a File or Folder in Windows XP [Q308421]
<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=308421>

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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Best of Luck,

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"DonMyers" <DonMyers@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:2DBBFF23-2676-41C5-9E01-C4D1195D3902@microsoft.com...

> Got the dreaded "\windows\system32\config\system not found" message due to
> suspected virus. System would not repair. Reloaded XP. Question: How
> do
> I reconnect files and programs from old installation? Did not wipe out
> old
> system....