

Re: Network Upgrade from ME to XP.

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In article <eYWma8n#DHA.3828@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl>, "Rob Elder, MVP-Networking" <relder@thisisnotcorrect.com> wrote:

>>> *melvin wrote:*

>> *Hello;*

>> *All family members share a single DSL connection, in a home LAN using NIC cards cabled to a Netgear RT314 router & DSL modem. The purpose of the LAN is one of economy and peace preservation within the family. Two printers are also shared via an HP Jetdirect print server, connected to the Netgear router.*

>> *All machines on the Network have Windows ME operating systems, all have the latest MS updates installed and are protected with Zone Alarm, AVG 6.0, Adaware 6.0 and Spybot software. I want to upgrade all machines to Windows XP Pro using a retail CD.*

>> *Do I need to purchase a CD for each machine or will one CD do the job? Also, at the moment I am somewhat a family hero and do not wish to lose this status, therefore, I need help to perform this daunting task. Where do I go to get the scoop? I am a patient beginner. Please excuse my verbosity. Thanks for any help and advice.*

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>*Networking in XP Home is horrible. Spend the extra \$ for Pro.*

Would you please explain what you mean by that, Rob? How will Pro do a better job of sharing a DSL connection and printers on Melvin's home network? What would justify the considerable extra cost of installing Pro on each machines?

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Best Wishes,

Steve Winograd, MS-MVP (Windows Networking)

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