

## Re: Workgroup issue, can see shares, but can't browse to computer

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> Hi all, I need to pick your brains again

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> I have a workgroup with 3 home PC`s on it, 2 XP (Professional SP2) and  
> one 2000 (Workstation, SP4). One of the machines has about 3 shares on  
> it, that the other PC`s can see, but recently I added a new share to it,  
> and went to try and browse to that PC through my network places/view  
> workgroup PC`s. My PC (its called Matts XP Gaming Box (XP-MAIN) ) shows  
> up as a PC in the workgroup, but if any of my PC`s try and browse to it,  
> they instantly get an "access is denied" error message. Even though they  
> can access its shares without a problem. I have studied my textbooks on  
> security settings for XP (I`m trying to learn to be a DST myself :) )  
> but i`m drawing a blank, can anyone help?

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> Much appreciated

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> Matt.

Are you using Simple File Sharing on XP-Pro machines?

If so, then what you describe:

( shares accessible, but machine will not enumerate it's shares, error is  
'Access Denied' )

sounds like a problem with the RestrictAnonymous setting.

Try this for a fix:

On the machine you are trying to contact, go to:

start | Run | type 'Regedit' in the box.

On the left hand pane, navigate to:

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\LSA\

In the LSA folder, look in the right-hand pane.

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look for the value 'RestrictAnonymous'.

It needs to be zero.

If it is not, double-click it and set it to zero.

( The value of RestrictAnonymousSam can be left at 1. )

Close regedit, and re-boot the server machine.

See if that helps.

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Best Regards

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