

Re: XP Home 5 user limit on shared network resource

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In <hfjrn152tgfd95rbqh8ageerjq61mhnd47@xxxxxxx>, Saul <saul@xxxxxxx> writes:

>On Tue, 15 Nov 2005 01:14:50 -0800, Ron Martell

><ron.martell@xxxxxxx> wrote:

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>>"JR" <JR@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

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>>>I am trying to add a 6th PC to my 5 computer peer-to-peer office network all
>>>running XP Home. We use two programs that require constant access to a shared
>>>folder mapped with network drives to the main "server." I found that with XP
>>>Home, only 5 computers can access the same network resource (in my case a
>>>shared folder) at the same time. The Microsoft support documentation confirms
>>>this limitation and says XP Pro can support 10 such concurrent users.

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>snipped

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>>If you upgrade the machine that hosts the shared folder to XP Pro then
>>you will be able to have up to 10 machines accessing that folder. The
>>machines doing the access can be running XP Home or pretty much any
>>other version of Windows (2000, Me, 98SE, 98) and it should all work.

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>>Good luck

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>>Ron Martell Duncan B.C. Canada

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>Excuse me for jumping in here – but you might be able to answer a
>question for me..

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>Is one way round this 10 user (XP Pro) limit to use LAN storage? Can
>the version of Windows used control access to a LAN storage device the
>way it controls access to shares?

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>Saul

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I have not used these but I suggest it would need to run Samba or some other flavour of Netbios in order to be

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seen by Windows Explorer.

If it runs Unix NFS then your windows boxes will need a proprietary (paid for) NFS client.

Either way you will avoid the Microsoft limit of 10 shares.

• **References:**

- ◆ **Re: XP Home 5 user limit on shared network resource**

◇ From: Ron Martell

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