

Re: Joined workgroup, now login doesn't work

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ruger3717 wrote:

I was trying to use a shared printer so I added my laptop (XP pro) to the workgroup. After restart, I can no longer log on to my laptop. It doesn't accept my username and password anymore. How do I get back on my laptop?

You haven't provided much information, but I'm going to guess that you had a laptop that was a member of a domain at work and you wanted to use the printer at home. So you changed the domain membership to your home workgroup, breaking the domain trust completely. You can't log in any more with your work username/password because your laptop is no longer a member of the domain.

You need to take the laptop to work and have your IT Dept. rejoin it to the domain. I'll give you ways of using your home network resources with your domain-member laptop, but you should definitely check with your IT Dept. first because they may have an opinion about you doing this.

Per MVP Lanwench – You don't need to change to a workgroup just to access resources on it. You shouldn't play with your laptop's network settings at all. Once you've logged in using your domain account (using cached credentials), and have an IP address on the home network, you can map drives, use printers, whatnot, very easily – one way, in a command line:

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net use x: \\computername\sharename /user:computername\username <enter>
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MS KB article about the Net Use command – <http://tinyurl.com/3bpnj>

Also see:

Managing One Windows XP-based Laptop for the Office and Home by MVP

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<http://tinyurl.com/cpy9q>

<http://winhlp.com/wxdomainworkgroup.htm> – MVP Hans–Georg Michna

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