

Re: Access same file on 2 XP home PCs?

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On 16 Mar, 10:22, Steve Winograd <bc0705...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

On Sun, 16 Mar 2008 01:57:21 -0700 (PDT), rpgs rock dvds

<rpgsrockd...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

My basic setup is –

XP home, contains Word document
XP home

On my second XP box, without the Word document, please can you tell me how I can view/edit the document on the first box? The machines are in the same room.

Machine 1 has two ethernet connections on the mobo, one is used for the internet, the other is free. Machine 2 will have a USB ethernet adapter device installed soon. Using my very limited understanding about networks, I'm thinking along the lines of some kind of simple ethernet cable running between the two machines, but I've heard that XP Pro has all the networking type stuff and perhaps as I have XP Home only, I may be out of luck?

Thanks a lot for any advice, best regards from Robert.

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XP Home is fine. It works exactly the same as XP Pro in a home network.

Connect the two computers' Ethernet adapters to each other using a crossover Ethernet cable. A regular Ethernet cable might not work.

Ignore any message saying that the connection has "limited connectivity". That just means that the connection doesn't have access to the Internet.

Run the Network Setup Wizard (in Start > All Programs > Accessories > Communications) on both computers, and tell the Wizard to enable File and Printer Sharing.

Put any documents that you want to access on both computers in the Shared Documents folder that the Wizard creates. Right-click and share any other disks and folders that you want the other computer to access.

To see the shared folders on the first box from the second box, type the first box's computer name in the Start > Run box in this format:

\\name

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Best Wishes,
Steve Winograd, MS-MVP (Windows Networking)

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Great stuff Steve, thanks very much!
I shall get the required ethernet cable!
Best regards from Robert.

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