

Re: Personal Media Drive

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No problem, Bob. :-) I just see too many posts in the other groups about un-recoverable data because it was encrypted and the keys weren't backed up.

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Doug Knox, MS-MVP Windows Media Center\Windows Powered Smart Display\Security
Win 95/98/Me/XP Tweaks and Fixes
<http://www.dougknox.com>

Per user Group Policy Restrictions for XP Home and XP Pro
http://www.dougknox.com/xp/utils/xp_securityconsole.htm

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"Bob [MVP]" <bob@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:e2mRRH5EGHA.2648@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
> Slim - I suggest following Doug's recommendations. He's
> [obviously] much more knowledgeable about Windows than I am.
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> Thanks, Doug! :-)
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> -Bob
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> Microsoft MVP
> Windows XP Media Center Edition
> <http://www.microsoft.com/ehome>
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> "Doug Knox MS-MVP" <dknox@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:exk0JIwEGHA.2300@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
> Note, I do not recommend encrypting the contents of your drive, unless you're familiar with backing up and
restoring your encryption
> certificates. Failure to do so could cause loss of access to all your data in case of a fatal system crash
(re-installation).
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> You cannot password protect individual folders in XP. You restrict access by assigning permissions to
drives, folders and files.

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- > To do this, you must be running NTFS as your file system on the drive in question. If your hard disk/partition is not NTFS you will
- > need to convert it. To do this, open a Command Prompt window and enter the following command:
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- > CONVERT X: /FS:NTFS
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- > Where X: is the drive letter you wish to convert. You may also want to see <http://www.aumha.org/a/ntfscvt.htm> to ensure that you're
- > getting the optimal conversion.
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- > After this step is completed and you've rebooted the computer, if necessary:
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- > XP PRO: In Windows Explorer, go to Tools, Folder Options, View and uncheck Use Simple File Sharing. Now, when you right click on a
- > drive, folder or file (on an NTFS partition) and select Properties, you'll see a Security tab. Here you can assign or deny
- > permissions based on user name or user group membership.
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- > XP Home: By default, you can only make files and folders under My Documents "private". This is done by right clicking a folder or
- > file and selecting Properties, Sharing. To change the permissions on other folders, you need to boot the computer to Safe Mode and
- > log in on the built in Administrator account. In this mode, you'll see the Security tab in Properties, and you can assign
- > permissions based on user name or group membership.
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- > Additionally, rather than using Deny permissions, uncheck the Allow box for the user's that you wish to restrict access to your
- > files. Denying the wrong user or group can lock you out of your own files.
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- > How Do I Get the Security Tab in Properties – XP Home (makes the Security tab appear outside of Safe Mode)
- > <http://www.dougknox.com>, Win XP Tips section
- >
- > HOW TO: Set, View, Change, or Remove File and Folder Permissions in Windows XP
- > <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;308418>
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- > HOW TO: Set, View, Change, or Remove Special Permissions for Files and Folders
- > <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;308419>
- >
- > HOW TO: Disable Simplified Sharing and Password-Protect a Shared Folder in Windows XP
- > <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;307874>
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