

# Re: Proper way to do shares

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Hi Lanwench, why do you recommend a hidden share for the home folder and not each individual user folder? Why make the home folder a hidden share at all? Thanks in advance for your reply.

"Lanwench [MVP – Exchange]" wrote:

- > Bill Bradley wrote:
  - >> I'm using a two-node Win2K3 cluster in active/active mode to provide
  - >> two virtual servers that give access to shared folders (home
  - >> directories and other shares). The shares are on drives created on a
  - >> SAN.
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  - >> We have about 1500 users, so I have that many home directories, and
  - >> each section has a "common" shared folder, and certain groups would
  - >> have shared folders, so we have about 500 of those.
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  - >> I assume I just share these 2000 folders individually, using user or
  - >> group rights to provide type of access?
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  - > You don't need to share the home directories individually unless you have
  - > NT/Win9x clients (and not necessarily even then, if you use SUBST in your
  - > login script). Set up a parent home dir folder and grant administrators,
  - > system, users, full control. Share the parent home directory folder as home\$
  - > so it's hidden, adjust the share permissions so everyone=full control, and
  - > then in each users ADUC properties, you can specify
  - > \\server\home\$\%username% – the folder should be automatically created if
  - > it's set up right, and the permissions should be adjusted appropriately. I'm
  - > writing this from memory & don't have anything to test with right now, so
  - > corrections are welcome (esp. as concerns automatic adjustment of
  - > permissions)...
  - >
  - > You may want to set up the 'group' or shared folders as individual shares,
  - > but you don't have to. Depends on what you want users to see. With Windows,
  - > folders won't be hidden from view just because users don't have access to
  - > them – unlike in Netware.
  - >>
  - >> With Novell, we had our user and common shared folders within section
  - >> folders (made it easier to do changes to an entire section), so, if I

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>> want to do something similar in Windows, would I create a share for  
>> each section only, then use NTFS rights to allow access to folders  
>> within the section folder, or share both section folder and  
>> individual folders, or what?  
>  
> I'm not sure what you mean by "section". I haven't used Netware since 4x...  
> or do you mean "department" or "group" ?  
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>> Thanks!  
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> Hope this helps.  
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