

## RE: Adding a NT 4 stand alone server

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Hi Carl,

Thanks for your reply.

Regarding the question: what makes the NT any different from a W2K workstation? The W2K workstation is more efficient than NT. For example:

1. Windows 2000 Professional can help you reduce costs through improved management and increase productivity through improved reliability and ease of use.
2. Reliability. The average system uptime of Windows 2000 Professional was over 50 times that of Windows 98 and 17 times that of Windows NT Workstation 4.0.
3. Mobility. Mobile computing is simpler and more efficient with Windows 2000 Professional. This means you can work anywhere, anytime while also saving time and increasing productivity.
4. Manageability. Windows 2000 Professional is easier to deploy, manage, and support. Centralized management utilities, troubleshooting tools, and support for self-healing applications all make it simpler for administrators and users to deploy and manage desktop and laptop computers.
5. Performance. The advancements made throughout Windows 2000 Professional are accentuated by the operating system's speed. Windows 2000 was 32 percent faster than Windows 95 and 27 percent faster than Windows 98. It is also significantly faster than Windows NT 4.0 on configurations with 32 MB of RAM.
6. Security. Windows 2000 Professional provides comprehensive security features to help protect your sensitive business data, both locally on your desktop computer and as it is transmitted over your local area network, phone lines, or the Internet.
7. Internet. The familiar user interface of Windows 98 combined with all the capabilities of Internet Explorer 5, makes using the Internet and

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your local desktop a unified user experience and makes it easier to find and use information locally and on the Web.

8. Usability. Windows 2000 Professional combines the power and security of its predecessor, Windows NT Workstation, with the traditional ease of use of Windows 98. It also provides more wizards, a centralized location for common tasks, and menus that adapt to the way you work.

9. Data Access. When you use Windows 2000 Professional in conjunction with Windows 2000 Server, you can take advantage of IntelliMirror? technologies. By letting you store your important information and desktop settings on a central computer, IntelliMirror lets you work on any computer attached to your network as if you are at your own desk.

10. Hardware. Windows 2000 Professional lets you take advantage of new hardware devices, such as those with universal serial bus (USB) and IEEE 1394 (Firewire) connections.

Regarding the question: It is still asking for a password for \$IPC (or maybe IPC\$). Based on my research, this issue may occur if the Guest account is disabled on NT or the passwords of the user account on both PCs are not same. Therefore, please first verify the password of the user account on both PCs is same, if the user account has no password, please configure a same password for it on both PCs.

If you log on the NT as a limited user, the Guest user account will not be found. Therefore, please make sure that you logging on the NT as an Administrators user account.

If this issue still exists, please run Network Setup Wizard on both the Windows XP and the NT. To run Network Setup Wizard, please refer to the following steps:

1. Click Start, Programs, Accessories, Communications, Network Setup Wizard.
2. Create a Network Setup Wizard disk to automatically configure Microsoft Windows 95.

For more information about the Network Setup Wizard, please refer to the following link:

To start the Network Setup Wizard

[http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/hnw\\_setupw.mspx](http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/hnw_setupw.mspx)

Network Setup Wizard overview

[http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/hnw\\_wizard\\_overvieww.mspx](http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/hnw_wizard_overvieww.mspx)



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