

# Re: Using remote desktop and terminal services

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The whole idea with a Terminal Server is that it functions as a multi-user workstation.

So your users start their Remote Desktop client on their workstations (comes with XP, so they probably already have it installed), and they all connect to the same Terminal Server. They will all work on the server without being aware of each other, in totally separated sessions.

Note that setting up a Terminal Server and installing applications on it is not a trivial task, because of the multi-user functionality.

For one thing, you must install Terminal Services *before* you install the application, so if it is already installed on the server, you'll have to uninstall the application first, then install TS, then install the application again.

Installing applications for multi-user access must be done while the server is in "install mode", to guarantee that each user gets its own private settings.

When you run a Terminal Server for multi-user access, you will also need to install a Terminal Services Licensing Server, and buy and install TS CALs on it (the exact requirements depend on the OS on the clients as well as the workstations).

You might want to do some more reading first:

Checklist: Plan your Terminal Server deployment

<http://technet2.microsoft.com/WindowsServer/en/Library/2ff3d1b1-1af2-48c8-b266-e10914a593051033.mspx>

Technical Overview of Windows Server 2003 Terminal Services

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsserver2003/techinfo/overview/termse rv.mspx>

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Re: Using remote desktop and terminal services

=?Utf-8?B?TWFya3Vz?= <Markus@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote on 13 nov 2006 in microsoft.public.windows.terminal\_services:

I have an app that will slow down if run over a WAN, and would like to use Terminal Services instead. Am a beginner to this, so hope someone can help here.

My most important question is – If this app is planned to be used by 5 users, and if I use Terminal Services, does this mean I will need to run Remote Desktop on the 5 remote user machines, and also have 5 computers at the server side to connect to to run the app? Or is there a way for each remote user to connect to the server directly and run the app without a computer for each?

Thanks in advance for any ideas on this,  
Mark