

Knowledge Base Article

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Abstract

By default, Windows XP Professional uses a recommended setting that enables the use of simple file sharing which hides the **Security** tab in the folder Properties window, leaving only the General, Sharing, Web Sharing & Customize tab displayed. This article gives instructions on how to disable this option in order to make the Security tab visible again.

Overview

To unhide the Security tab in folder Properties, follow the steps outlined below.

- 1. Launch **Windows Explore** or My Computer.
- 2. Click on Tools > Folder Options. [Figure 1]



Figure 1. Tools > Folder Options



3. Select the View tab. [Figure 2]

| Folder Options | | | | |
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| Gersel View File Types Offline Files | | | | |
| You can apply the view (such as Details or Tiles) that you are using for this folder to all folders. Apply to All Folders Reset All Folders | | | | |
| Advanced settings: | | | | |
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| Restore Defaults | | | | |
| OK Cancel Apply | | | | |



Figure 2. View tab

4. In the **Advanced Settings** section at the bottom of the list, uncheck the *Use simple file sharing (Recommended)* option [Figure 3], then press the [OK] button.



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- The Security tab is only available to the Administrator or to users with administrative rights.
- > Security can only be set in an NTFS partition.

If there are problems displaying the Security tab on files or folders,

1. Click on **Start > Run**, then type **regedit**. [Figure 4]

| Run | ? 🔀 | | | |
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| Type the name of a program, folder, document, or Internet resource, and Windows will open it for you. | | | | |
| Open: | regedit 🗸 | | | |
| | OK Cancel Browse | | | |

Figure 4. Opening registry editor

2. Locate the following registry key [Figure 5] and set the value to '0', or else delete it.

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| My Computer\HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer | | | | | | |

Figure 5. Changing value of registry key

HKEY_CURRENT_USER Key: Software\Microsoft\windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer Name: Nosecuritytab Type: REG_DWORD Value: 1

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