Permission changes in Registry

(Windows 2000/XP)

Entering the Registry is not for New Users. It is recommended that you export a copy of the registry to a folder on the hard drive before making changes in the registry or create a new System Restore Point. If the changes made to the registry causes problems, the backup copy of the registry can be imported back into the Registry or the System Restore point can be used return to the date prior to the changes made.

IF using XP, you can just create a new restore point before going into the registry. CLick start...all programs...accessories...system tools...system restore and select Create New Restore Point. Name it Permission change so you'll know why you created this RP. IF making the changes in the registry causes problems, then go back to System Restore and select to Restore your computer to a previous date and select the RP created above prior to making the changes.

1. **From the Taskbar, click Start, then Run, type regedit and click OK.**
2. **Double-click on HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE, then Software.**
3. **Highlight the program software key, example:McAfee key, by clicking on it.**
4. **Right-click on the program key, example:McAfee, and select Security (WinXP), or click the Security pull-down menu (Win2K) and select Permissions.**
5. **Select each user and change the permissions to include Full Control.**
6. **Click File and EXIT to close the registry.**
7. **Restart your computer.**

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