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At Ease 4.0: Auto-Mounting Server Volumes (10/96)

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TOPIC -----

Will At Ease 4.0 let server volumes mount automatically without having to enter a name and password? In my lab, when a user selects a Workgroup they are prompted to enter a name and password for each volume marked to automatically mount. This happens for the volume designated as the place to Save the Workgroup data and any other volumes selected to mount when the workgroup is opened.

DISCUSSION -----

Overview

Workgroup data volumes and other server volumes can automatically be mounted by At Ease 4.0. The At Ease Administrator adds the volumes to a list of "approved volumes". This is done by selecting "Access to Volumes" from the Security Menu in the At Ease Administration program. When a volume is added to the list the volume setting "At Ease Users will log in to this volume using:" defaults to "Users must enter their own name and password"

Before a volume will auto-mount (mount without prompting for a user name and password) the volume setting needs to be changed to use a predefined name and password.

Steps to configure Server Volumes

The steps to add server volumes to the list and change the volume settings are as follows:

- 1) From the At Ease Administration workstation, mount the server volume on the desktop. If it is to be a workgroup data server you must mount it using a name and password that has write privileges.
- 2) From the At Ease Administration program Security menu select "Access to Volumes".
- 3) Select the "Add Volume" button. This takes you to the Add Volume screen. Select the server volume and press the add button.
- 4) In the window of Approved Server Volumes select the newly added volume and click the Volume settings button.

5) In the settings window click the radio button stating At Ease users will log into this volume using "The user name and password for" below this options it reflects the name used to mount the volume on the desktop. This is not the default option for volumes added to the approved volumes list that is why the system forces the users to enter a name and password every time. The default is enter "Their own name and password"

With the volumes settings changed any volume designated as the workgroup location will auto-mount and not prompt the user to log in. The same is true for any other volumes marked to mount when a workgroup loads. Volumes are designated to mount via the Workgroup Login panel.

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