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AppleShare 2.0.1: Adding or Copying Drop Boxes (5/95)

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TOPIC -----

I am running AppleShare 2.0.1 on a Macintosh II and am having trouble with the drop boxes. I have installed two new 140MB hard drives on my AppleShare File Servers; each is treated as an additional "volume". There is no trouble accessing either of the new volumes or placing folders and documents on them. The trouble is that drop boxes do not appear as drop boxes. For example, some drop boxes were copied from the original volume to the new one, and the arrow no longer appears—the drop box is essentially another folder. When new folders are added, and someone goes to Access Privileges and creates a drop box, the same thing happens. Correcting this problem is very important due to security.

DISCUSSION -----

We do not have any difficulty creating drop boxes under this version of AppleShare. When you copy a folder from one AppleShare volume to another, one of two things happens: If you set the copy inherit bit in the LAYO resource in the Finder to on, the copied folder "inherits" the privileges of the directory it is being copied to. Or, if this bit is not set, the folder being copied has the default settings with access completely restricted to the owner of the folder (you). Either way, the privileges are being changed from the settings of the originating folder.

Also, ensure that whoever owns the drop box is not the one logged on. If it is, this person will not see the folder as a drop box; rather as an owned folder. Check the privileges on the folder after you change them to those of a drop box. If the settings are reported correctly, have a nonowner try to open the folder and copy files. The nonowner clearly should not be able to. If it can, then have that account check the folder's privileges.

Another possible cause of the problem may be the 140MB hard drives being used. Since we tested this using standard Apple hard disk drives, it is possible that the hard drives are the difference between our configuration and yours. We would suggest checking with the manufacturer of your drive to verify that it doesn't have problems working with AppleShare 2.0.1.

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