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AppleShare Security: How Secure Against Viruses Is It?

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Q: How secure is AppleShare from viruses? Users recognize the threat to folders where others have write access and the ability to affect others using applications contained in those folders, but what about the Server Folder itself? Is the running of VACCINE on an AppleShare server indicated? Is there something better? Is it possible to issue low-level I/O calls (PBWrite and lower?) to server volumes (bypassing any AppleShare built-in security) from other Macintosh systems on the network?

A: The AppleShare server folder itself is quite secure when the server is running. Is it not accessible by any system call, whether high-level or low-level. A virus would only be able to attack folders and files that it has access to. It is not necessary or recommended to install Vaccine in the Server folder on the AppleShare server. If the server is running at the Finder level, it is just as susceptible to viruses as any system.

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