

Windows Vista – Administrator

When Vista is installed it does not allow Administrator Rights by default and this can cause problems for the user in several ways. The main effect is that you may not be able to write files to locations you may wish to and have to put up with storing files in deep down directories. Frequently these become very difficult to locate as they may be as many as 7 sub-directories deep. Also you need to confirm actions every time you wish to run certain programs and delete or move files from the hard drive.

It is relatively simple to enable the built in Administrator account as follows.

1. Click **Start** and select **Accessories**
2. Right click on the **Command Prompt**
3. At the command prompt type **net user administrator active:yes** and then press **Enter**
4. Type **net user administrator <Password>** and then press **Enter**. Instead of Password enter the actual password you wish to use omitting the <> characters
5. Type **exit** and then press **Enter**
6. Log off the current user account by clicking on **Start** and the **Log Off/Shut Down** icon which is to the far left of the graphic depicted by a right facing arrow. Select Log Off from the menu presented.
7. When you reboot you will be presented with 2 User Accounts. Select Administrator as default.