MICROSOFT WINDOWS – HOW TO DISABLE REMOTE IPC CONNECTION & SHARING

Inter-process Communication (IPC) is an essential resource needed for establishing _remote connections_. It allows for the sharing of application data across named network pipes. This resource is represented as **IPC$**, where **$** represents an _administrative hidden share_. **IPC** can be disabled to prevent unauthenticated connections. You can disable **IPC** connection and sharing by disabling the corresponding hidden share.

Instructions

- Log in to your computer as a _system administrator_.
- Click the Windows "**Start**" menu, click "**Control Panel**" and choose "**Administrative Templates**".
- Double-click "_Computer Management_". The _Computer Management_ console will open.
- Expand the "**System Tools**" node on the left pane by clicking the corresponding "**+**" sign. Expand the "**Shared Folders**" sub-folder and select "**Shares**." "**IPC$**" will display in the right pane.
- Right-click "**IPC$**" and choose "**Stop sharing**" from the pop-up menu. Click "**OK**" in the confirmation dialog box. Close the _Computer Management_ console.

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