

Installing Application on Microsoft Vista

Because some applications install software components, you must login to the account whose *name* is **Administrator** in order to obtain the necessary privileges.

In Vista, the phrase **Administrator account** has two independent meanings, and is thus ambiguous. There are two *kinds* of user accounts, **Administrator** and **Standard**. A user account of *kind* **Administrator** has more privileges than a user account of *kind* **Standard**, but not enough privileges to install an application. There is also a unique account named **Administrator**; this account does have sufficient privilege to install some applications.

The account whose name is **Administrator** won't initially appear in the **User Accounts Control Panel** because it is disabled by default. The procedure to enable this account so you can login with its privileges depends on the version of Vista you're using:

- In **Vista Ultimate** or **Business** editions,
 1. right-click **Computer** and click **Manage**
 2. Under **Local Users and Groups**, open **Users**, right-click the one named **Administrator**, and select **Properties**
 3. Uncheck **Account is disabled** and, and the account whose name is **Administrator** will appear in the **User Accounts Control Panel**
- In other Vista editions,
 1. click the Vista **Start** button, and , type **cmd** in the *Start Search* box; a **Command Prompt** window will appear
 2. Click the Vista **Start** button, right-click the **Command Prompt** icon on the left and choose **Run as administrator**; click the **User Account Control** window's **Continue** button, and an **Administrator: Command Prompt** window will appear
 3. In the **Administrator: Command Prompt** window, type **Net user administrator /active:yes** and strike the Return key

Log off, and log on as **Administrator**