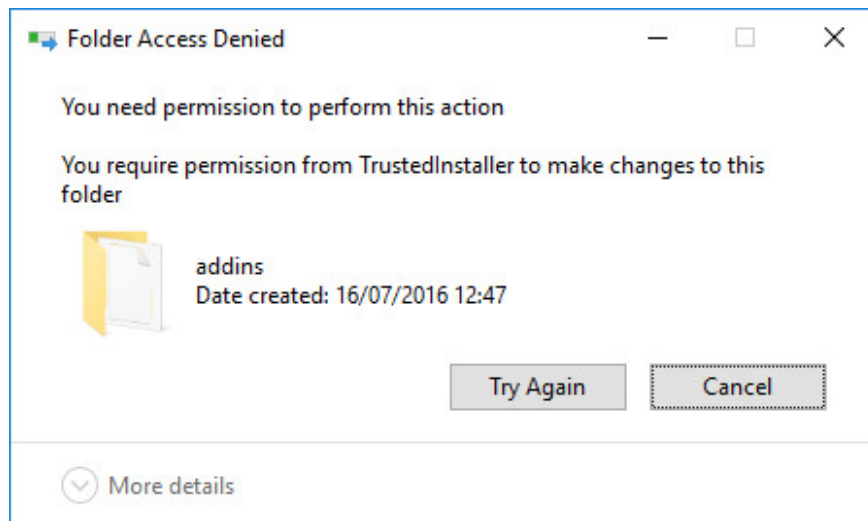


How to assign permissions to delete any folder or file on Windows?

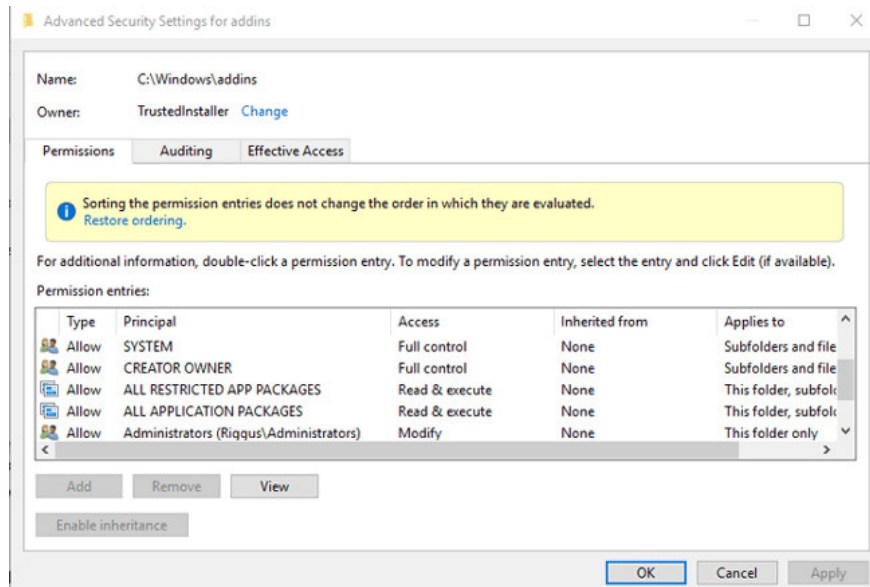
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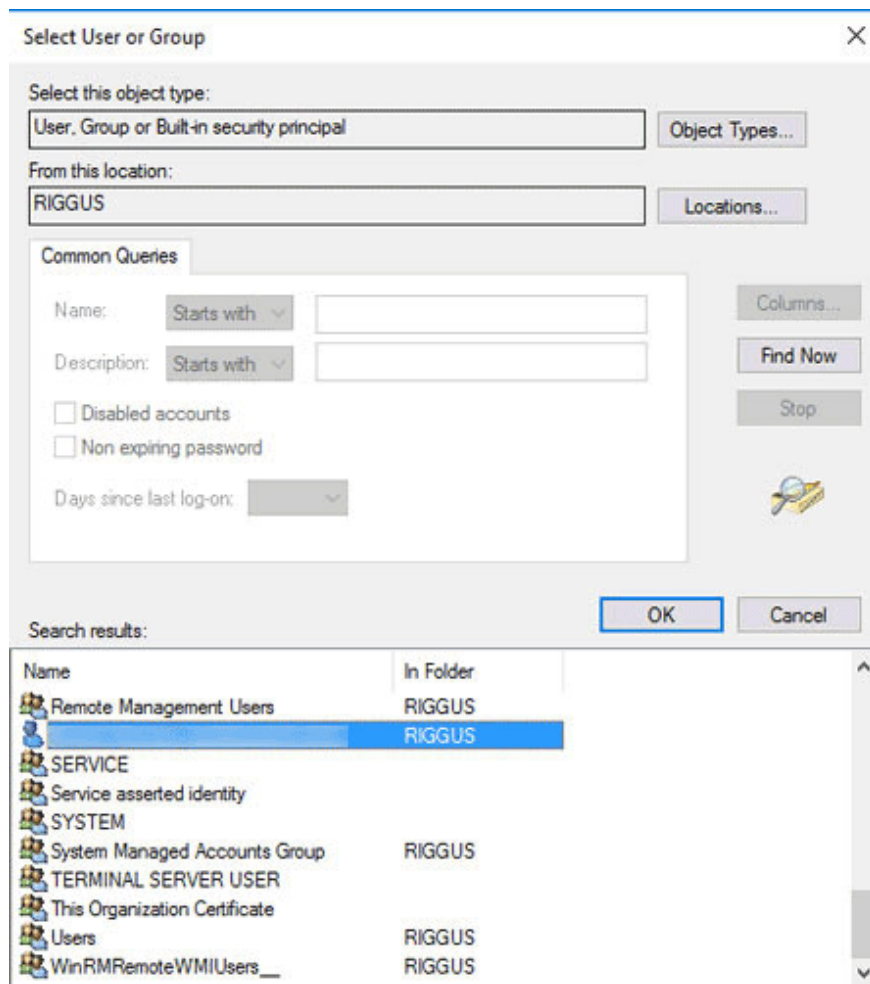
To assign permissions to delete any folder or file on Windows, follow the steps below:

1. First navigate to the folder or file that you are trying to delete on **Windows Explorer** (such as C: Windowsaddins).
2. Right-click the folder, select **Properties** => **tab Security** => **Advanced** .

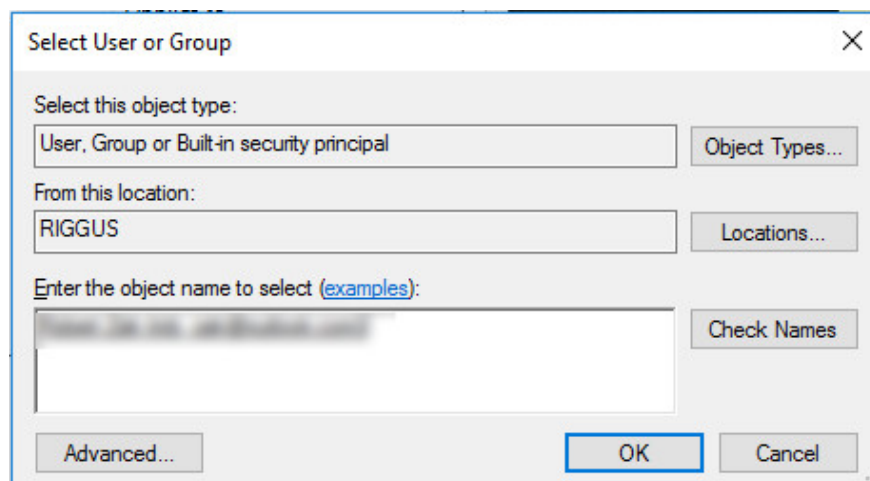


3. On the Advanced Security Settings window, click **Change** next to the Owner in the top corner.

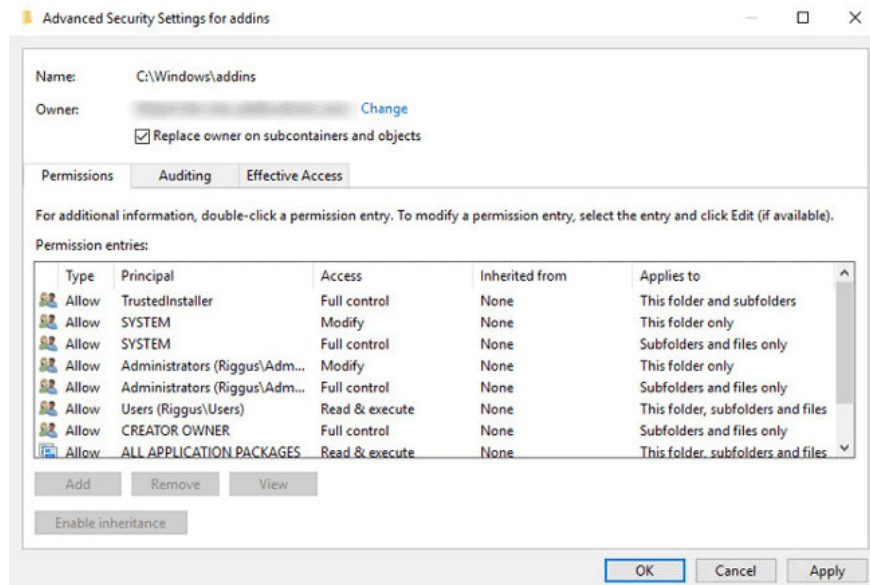
4. At this time, on the screen, select the **Select User or Group** window, enter the Windows account email address into the box Enter the object name to select. If unsure, click **Advanced** on the new window and then click **Find Now** , then double-click on the Windows account name on the search results displayed on the screen.



Go back to the previous window, enter your account name in the box Enter the object name to select and click **OK** .



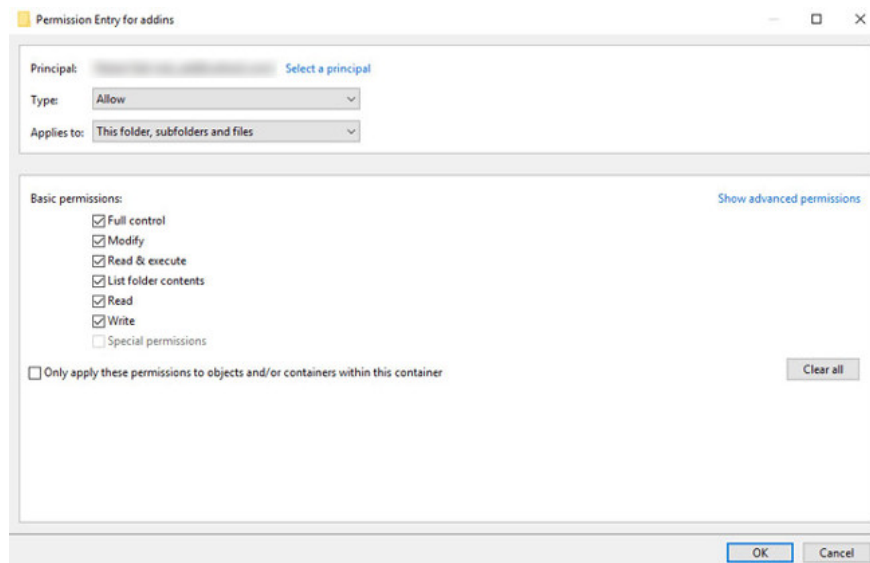
You will return to the Advanced Security Settings window again. Here select ' *Replace owner on subcontainers and objects* ' to provide full permission to edit and delete all files contained in the folder you want to delete. Click OK.



5. In the Windows Explorer window, right-click the folder you want to delete again, select **Properties => Advanced => Add** .

6. On the Permission Entry window, click **Select a principal** in the top corner, add the Windows user name to the frame 'Enter the object name to select like you did before and click **OK** .

7. Return to the Permission Entry window and select **Full Control** and then click **OK**.



8. On the Advanced Security Settings window click **OK** to finish.

Refer to some of the following articles:

1. Use CMD to create an 'undeleted' folder on Windows
1. Guide to quickly fix "Inaccessible Boot Device" error on Windows 10/8/7 and Windows Vista

1. Privacy control on Windows 10 computers with the following 5 tips

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