

## Users and Groups

# Add a group

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You can create user groups to help users manage their files and to promote system security.

Every file and folder is associated with a group, and its owner can grant permission for all members of the group to read or write in it.

You use the UserManager application to add user groups.

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**BEFORE YOU START:** Plan your groups and decide where they fit in the domain structure of your network ;AboutUsersAndGroups.rtf;Network accounts;↵.

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**1 Log in as root on any network computer.**

If you don't log in as **root**, you can type the **root** password when you start UserManager.

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**2 Double-click UserManager in /NextAdmin.**

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**3 Choose Group *submenu-arrow8.tiff* ↪ New from the UserManager menu.**

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**4 Select the domain where you want to create the group and click OK.**

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**5 Enter the group information in the New Group window**

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You can enter a unique group name and a description in the New Group window. The group name should be all lowercase with no spaces or special characters. The description is optional.

UserManager automatically assigns a unique group ID number. Don't change this number.

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**6 Choose Group *708227\_submenu-arrow8.tiff* ↪ Save from the UserManager menu.**

The User Authentication panel may appear. If so, enter the domain password and click Login.

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**Concepts**

Groups are an important part of the network structure. If you're

not sure how to plan them, take a few minutes to review some of the basics.

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Reorganizing? You can remove groups when they no longer match your organizational structure.

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Need to move a user from an old group to the new group?

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