## Domain Environment
### IDEXX Recommended Settings

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<th>This document is presented to IDEXX customers who will be using their hardware in a domain environment. This document outlines our recommended domain environment settings for workstations.</th>
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| Prerequisite items (recommended) | • Complete the steps in the IDEXX Recommended Settings documents that are applicable to the operating systems in your environment.  
• Network cabling completed. |
| **Set the IP Address** | 1. Open Network Settings.  
   Windows® XP & Windows Vista®:  
   a) Click Start > Settings > Network Connections.  
   Windows 7, Windows 8 & Windows 8.1:  
   a) Open Control Panel.  
   b) Click Network and Sharing Center.  
   c) Click Change adapter settings.  
2. Right-click Local Area Connection (it may be listed as Local Area Connection followed by a number) and click Properties.  
3. Double-click Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) or Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) (whichever item is present).  
4. Select Obtain an IP address automatically and Obtain DNS server address automatically.  
   Note: See the IDEXX recommended settings in the IP Address Configuration document.  
5. Click OK twice and close the Network Connections window. |
| **Join the Domain** | 1. Click Start > Run, type sysdm.cpl and click OK.  
2. Click the Computer Name tab.  
3. Click Network ID.  
4. Click Next four times (only three times for Windows Vista, 7, 8 and 8.1).  
5. Type in the username, password, and domain name and then click Next.  
6. If the message An account for this computer has been found in the domain "DOMA IN". Would you like to use this? appears, click Yes.  
   Note: If the message Your computer could not be joined to the domain because the following error has occurred. Access is denied. appears, click OK. A prompt asking for user credentials with administrative rights will open. Type the credentials for an administrative user on the domain. Click OK and skip to step 10.  
7. At the Computer Domain window, the name of this computer is already listed, type in the domain name and click Next.  
   Note: If the message The specified computer account cannot be found on the domain appears, click OK to create the computer account on the domain.  
8. At the Domain User Name and Password window, type the credentials for an administrative user on the domain and click OK.  
9. At the User Account window, click Add the following user and click Next.  
10. At the Access Level window, choose the correct step depending on the operating system.  
   Windows XP:  
   a) Choose Other and leave Administrator selected in the drop-down and click Next.  
   Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8 and Windows 8.1:  
   b) Choose Administrator and click Next.  
11. Click Finish.  
12. Click OK three times.  
13. Click Yes or Restart Now to reboot the computer. |
### Check Network Permissions

From all workstations perform the following:

1. Click **Start > Run…**
2. Type `\SERVERNAME` (Where “SERVERNAME” is the name of your server.)
3. Click **OK**.
4. If a Windows Explorer window opens then the workstation is ready.

For further assistance, please call IDEXX Hardware Support at 1-800-695-2877.