

Network Shows as “Unauthenticated”

Problem: The user may also be experiencing some weird issues when accessing some files on a network share from an application such as Adobe or Bluebeam. When a user goes into the Network and Sharing Center on a Windows 7 machine, and looks under the words “View Your Active Networks” they notice that it has the network name there but also says “Unauthenticated” (Like in Figure 1.1 Below) So if this is the case then how do you get the network to an “Authenticated” State.

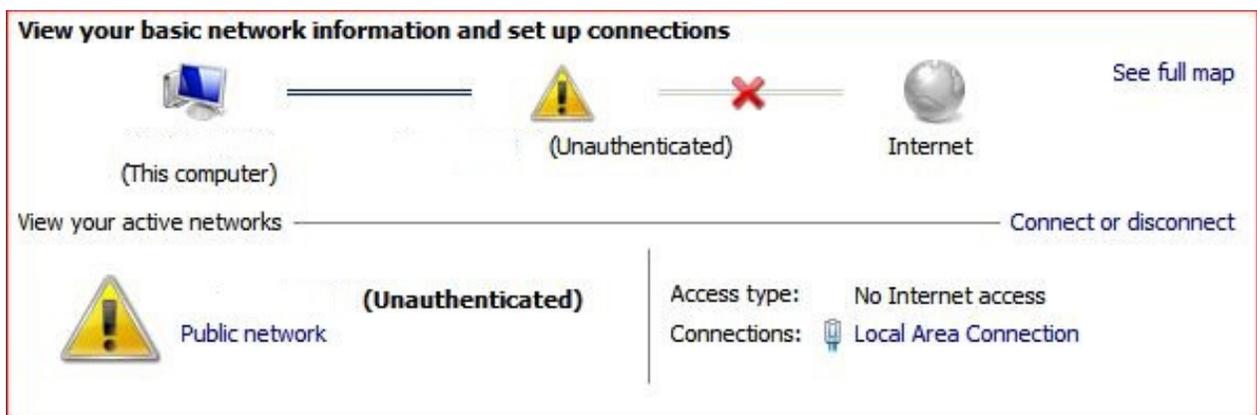


Figure 1.1

Solution: In my particular case I first removed the machine from the Domain and joined it to the local Workgroup. Now restart the computer and log in as Administrator to the local Workgroup. Then you will want to make sure that the actual machine name is removed from the “Computers” OU in Active Directory. Then restart the computer. After you have done this rejoin the computer to the domain, and then restart the computer. After you have done this your issue should be gone. If this does not resolve your issue please see note below.
Note: *If not go back to my website and right below where you clicked to get this article there is another link that says (Network Shows As Unauthenticated Under Network And Sharing Center (More Options For Fix). Click Here and it will take you to a knowledge base article that may be of some help to you. You may want to check out the post by Moderator, Caragena, and Jnikkel.*