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TOPIC -----

In the General Controls Control Panel, the option to enable Folder Protection is grayed out, why can't I set that option?

DISCUSSION -----

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These options will be grayed out if File Sharing is active. To use these functions, File Sharing must be turned off. If you set Folder Protection while File Sharing is off, and later turn it on, the Folder Protection feature will be disabled. You can have either File Sharing or Folder Protection, not both.

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With System 7.5 Version 7.5.3, if folder protection is turned on for both the System and Applications folder, these folders cannot be renamed because of the protection feature as expected. If File Sharing is now turned on, the folder protection options in the General Controls control panel become grayed out. However, the System and Applications folders cannot be renamed as if folder protection had not been turned off.

By opening the General Controls control panel, which shows folder protection boxes grayed and indicate folder protection is off, and closing the control panel, you can now rename the protected folders indicating folder protection is now off.

It appears that turning on File Sharing does not actually turn off folder protection, if it had previously been turned on. However, because File Sharing is on, opening and closing the General Controls control panel turns it off because the buttons are disabled.

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