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TOPIC ---

Running HP-UX, we mounted /users on a separate physical file system. I am able
to create a new System Folder within my home directory, however, some of the
file names are shortened to 14 characters. This is apparent in the System
Folder, where the Apple Menu Items folder has been reduced to "Apple Menu Ite".
After renaming the file, and restarting MAE the same problem remains. What is
happening?

DISCUSSION --

Using the SAM (System Administration Manager) utility in HP-UX, creation of File
Systems will default to a limit of 14 characters (referred to as 'compatible' in
SAM).

SAM lets you convert the File System to the Long File Names without having to
reformat the drive. Follow these steps:

Step 1

Start SAM as root

#sam

Step 2

Select "Disks and File Systems"->"Local File Systems", highlight the SCSI disk
that contains the /users directory.

Step 3

Highlight 'Actions' and choose 'Convert to Long File Names'

SAM will convert the file system to accept file names longer than 14

characters.

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