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Setup guide for Windows

The following is a step-by-step guide of how to setup a VPN connection using the Point to Point Tunneling Protocol on Windows XP.

Before you start please do the following:

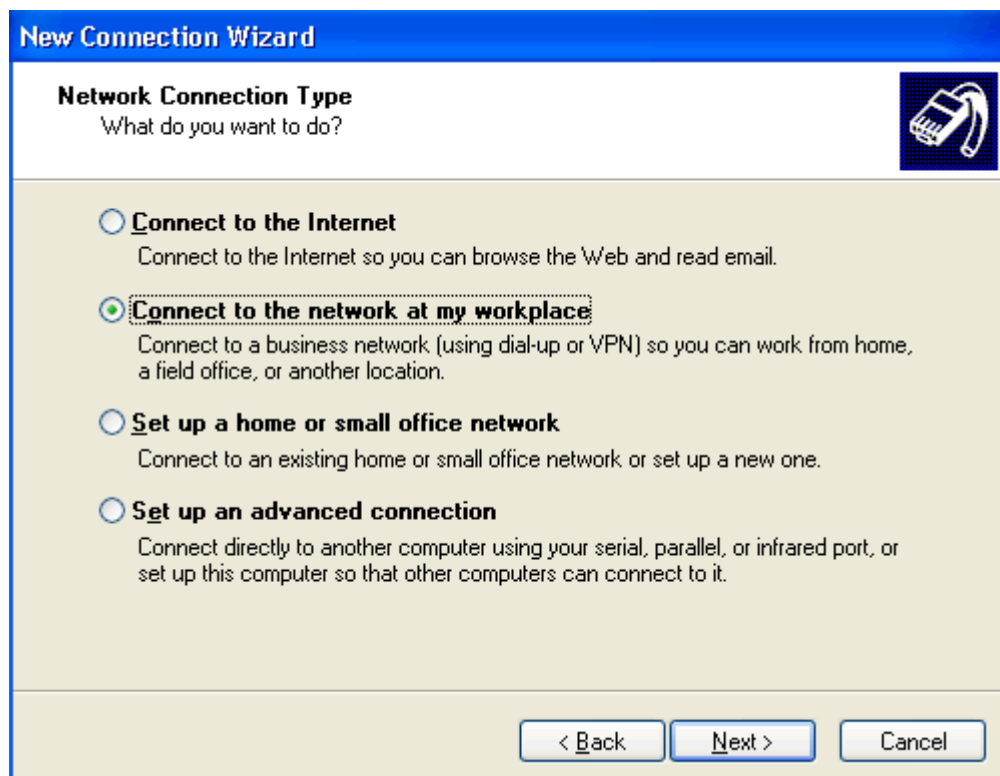
- 1- Turn off your Firewall or configure it to allow VPN traffic on port 1723
- 2- Check that PPTP Passthrough is enabled on your router
- 3- Check that GRE Protocol traffic is enabled on your router
- 4- Check that Port 1723 is not blocked on your router

The first thing you must do is go to the Control Panel and click on **Network Connections**.

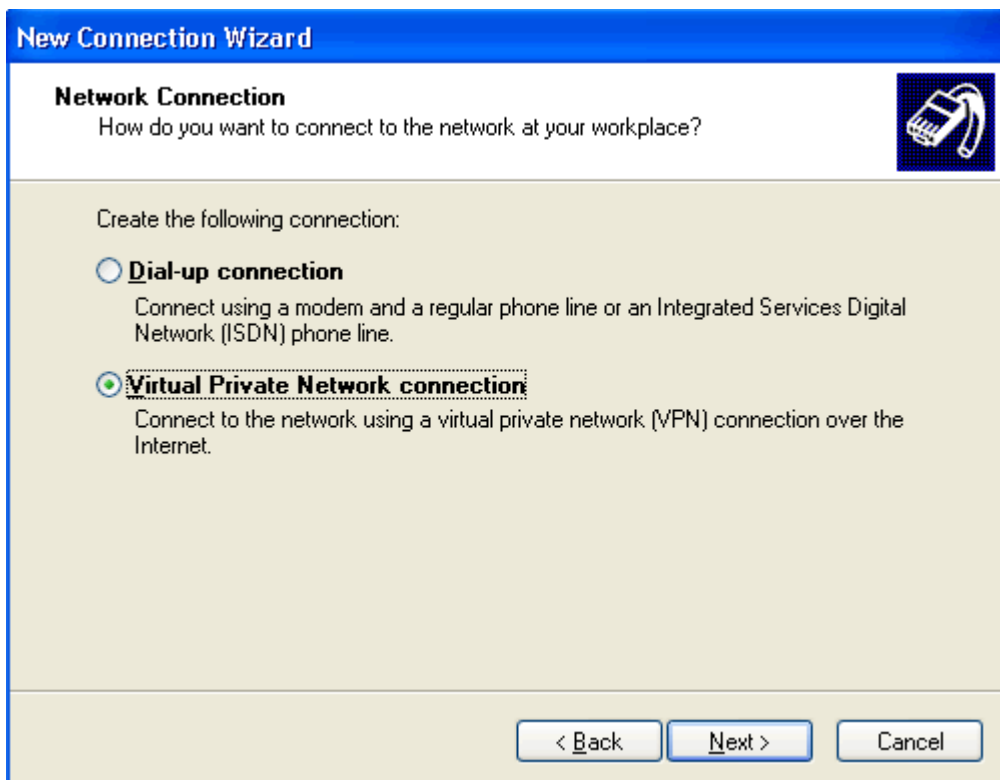


This will bring you to the Network Connections window which displays a list of your current network connections.

Click on the **Create New Connection** icon on the left.



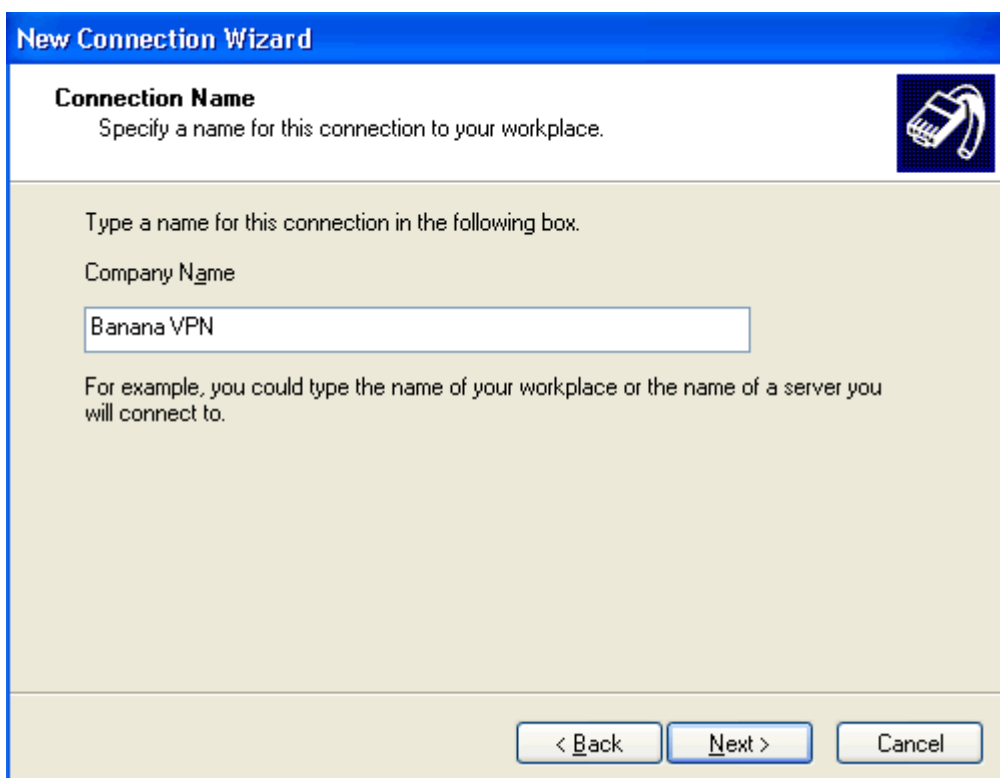
You are faced with three options - choose the second one, "**Connect to the network at my workplace**" and click Next.



The screenshot shows the 'New Connection Wizard' dialog box. The title bar is blue with the text 'New Connection Wizard'. Below the title bar, the main area has a white background. At the top left, it says 'Network Connection' in bold, followed by the question 'How do you want to connect to the network at your workplace?'. To the right of this text is a small icon of a hand holding a telephone receiver. Below this, the text reads 'Create the following connection:'. There are two radio button options: 'Dial-up connection' (unselected) and 'Virtual Private Network connection' (selected). The 'Virtual Private Network connection' option has a dotted border around it. Below the options, there are three buttons: '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel'.

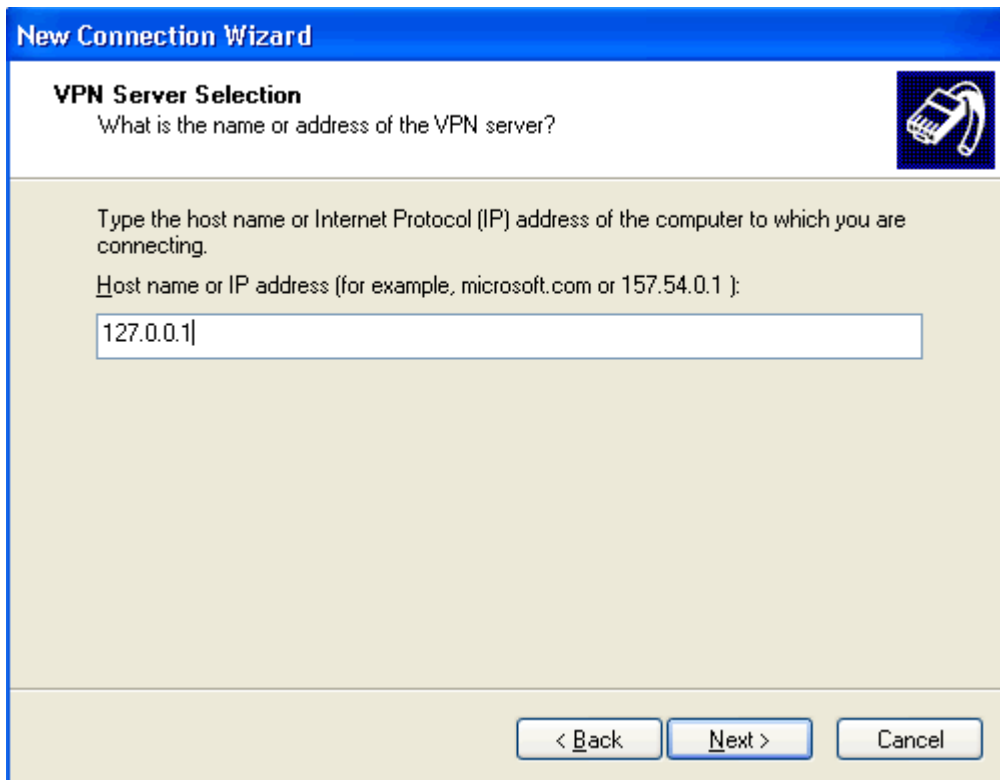
Now choose the second option, "**Virtual Private Network connection**" and click Next.

This will bring you to the window in which you should enter the name of the company or server you will be connecting to. After you have typed the name in, press Next.



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This will bring you to the following window in which you must enter the host name or IP address of the VPN server. Please check your email for the Server IP.



The screenshot shows a Windows-style dialog box titled "New Connection Wizard". The main heading is "VPN Server Selection" with a sub-question: "What is the name or address of the VPN server?". To the right of the heading is a small icon of a computer mouse. Below the heading, there is a text prompt: "Type the host name or Internet Protocol (IP) address of the computer to which you are connecting." followed by a label: "Host name or IP address (for example, microsoft.com or 157.54.0.1):". A text input field contains the value "127.0.0.1". At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

You can now click Next Next and Finish, your new connection is now ready to use.

If you double click your VPN connection the logon window will appear.



Enter your username and password and click Connect.



You have now successfully connected to the VPN server!

