Accessing Toy Tracker via a Server

There are a number of ways in which you can access Toy Tracker via a server. Before making your choice, you should consider the number of users who will need to access the database simultaneously. The following table will help to determine the best solution.

Server	No. of simultaneous users (sessions)	Notes
Standard Windows 2003/2008 Server	3	One of the three sessions available is reserved for the console session, ie for working directly on the server. This leaves only two sessions available for remote users. It is possible to access the console session remotely, however it is then not available for use by the person sitting at the server. Additional Terminal Server licences may be purchased if required to increase the number of simultaneous users.
Standard Windows 2003/2008 Server with Terminal Server licences	No limit	The only limits that may apply to the number of simultaneous users will be due to memory or processor power.
Windows 2003 Small Business Server	3	There is a fixed limit of three users, the same as with the standard Windows 2003/2008 server. There is, however, no option to purchase additional Terminal Server licences.
XP Pro, Vista Business, Windows 7 Pro PCs	1	PCs running these operating systems can be remotely controlled by using Remote Desktop. However, the limit of one user still applies whether that user is sitting at the PC or remotely controlling it.
Remote Virtual Server from "1&"	3	1&1 (www.1and1.co.uk) are Europe's largest web hosting and server hosting company. They can supply a server capable of supporting three simultaneous users for £29.99 per month. They can also supply a reduced specification server for £19.99 per month but this is not as powerful.* The "remote server" can host your Toy Tracker system and up to three users can connect to it using the Internet as the connection mechanism. Setting up the system in this way means that all users are accessing the same system so there is no need to synchronise data between laptops. However, it relies on users having an Internet connection to connect to the software. No Internet connection would mean no access to Toy Tracker.

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