Unlock Read only Excel Files

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Step-1 Prepare a password protected Excel file Go to properties and in the Security tab, you can apply a password (limits Modification) **General Options** ? Х Always create backup **File sharing** Password to open: Password to modify:

OK

Read-only recommended

Cancel



Open the ZIP folder in Windows explorer or Winrar

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Look for the following file in the xl folder and open it in text editor

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Workbook.xml
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workbook.xml	XML Document

Search for the content "filesharing". Remove all contents within the tags <> </></></>

🥘 workbook.xml - Notepad

File Edit Format View Help

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Save the file separately with the same name and then drag it to the actual archive and replace the original file

There is alre	eady a file with the same name in this location.
Click the file that	at you want to keep
→Copy an Replace the	d Replace file in the destination folder with the file that you're copying: workbook.xml workbook (C:\Users\Ammar\Desktop) Size: 2.05 KB Date modified: 8/31/2022 9:54 AM (newer)
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