

Re: Root users shell == no existant shell /bin/bash

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On Thu, 2004-07-08 at 23:23, Taras Y. NIZHNIK wrote:

> *On Thu, 8 Jul 2004, Brandon Grace wrote:*

> > *I made a mistake setting my shell and have set the root users shell to*

> > */bin/bash instead of /bin/sh. I am curiuos if anyone knows how to fix this.*

> > *The machines is FreeBSD 4.8-RELEASE-p4 and does not have sudo only su.*

> *How about 'su -m' ?*

"su -m" will be a solution only if "/bin/bash" is a valid shell and the caller is root :

"The invoked shell is your login shell, and no directory changes are made. As a security precaution, if the target user's shell is a non-standard shell (as defined by `getusershell(3)`) and the caller's real uid is non-zero, su will fail."

But apparently, Brandon can't login anymore with "root" account because "/bin/bash" doesn't exist (so isn't a valid shell...).

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