

Re: Support for Windows 2003

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Ok, thanks Robear. Appreciate your help.

"PA Bear" wrote:

I never said support for Win2K03 Gold /had/ ended, I only posited that it may have ended.

Best contact your TAM with any additional questions, Wayne.

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~PA Bear

Wayne wrote:

Microsoft Security Bulletin MS06-053
Vulnerability in Indexing Service Could Allow Cross-Site Scripting
(920685)
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Microsoft Windows Server 2003 and Microsoft Windows Server 2003
Service
Pack
1 - Download the update
"Note: This security update requires Windows Server 2003 or Windows
Server
2003 Service Pack 1"

"Extended security update support for Microsoft Windows NT Workstation
4.0
Service Pack 6a and Windows 2000 Service Pack 2 ended on June 30, 2004.
Extended security update support for Microsoft Windows NT Server 4.0
Service
Pack 6a ended on December 31, 2004. Extended security update support for
Microsoft Windows 2000 Service Pack 3 ended on June 30, 2005. I am still
using one of these operating systems; what should I do?
Windows NT Workstation 4.0 Service Pack 6a, Windows NT Server 4.0
Service
Pack 6a, Windows 2000 Service Pack 2, and Windows 2000 Service Pack 3

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have reached the end of their support life cycles. It should be a priority for customers who have these operating system versions to migrate to supported versions to prevent potential exposure to vulnerabilities".

Does not appear that Windows 2003 has reached the end of it's support lifecycle?

"PA Bear" wrote:

Yeah, but they're not new ones. Either they're ones you haven't installed yet or they're for Office applications.

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~PA Bear

Wayne wrote:

Interesting, because I am still getting security patches for Win2k3 Gold ???

"PA Bear" wrote:

If support for a given Windows version has ended (and it has for Win2K03 Gold as well as WinXP SP1, WinXP, WinME, Win98, and Win95), no new patches will be released for it.

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~Robear Dyer (PA Bear)
MS MVP–Windows (IE, OE, Security, Shell/User)

Wayne wrote:

From the Life Cycle page "When a service pack is released, Microsoft

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will provide
12 months
of
support for
the previous
service
pack".
Since SP1
was
released
March
2005, I
would have
to assume
that this
means
that support
for pre-SP1
support
would end
March
2006.
The
question is,
when will
the security
patches for
Windows
Server
2003
no
longer be
released for
pre-SP1
Windows
2003.
Am I going
to find on
any given
Tuesday
that I cannot
apply a
security
patch
without
SP1????

"PA Bear"

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wrote:

Good
luck
trying
to
figure
out
Windows
Life
Cycle!

See
<http://support.microsoft.com/lifecycle/?p1=3198>
and
<http://support.microsoft.com/gp/lifepolicy>

But
here's
probably
the
best
resource:
<http://support.microsoft.com/gp/lifesupsp>

<QP>
Support
ends
either
12
months
after
the
next
service
pack
releases
or
at
the
end
of
the
product's
support
lifecycle,
whichever
comes
first.
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Win2K03
SP1
was
released
30
Mar-05,
so...

I
can
tell
you
that
support
for
Office
2003
SP1
has
already
ended.
(Office
2003
SP2
was
released
26
Sept-05.)

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~Robear
Dyer
(PA
Bear)
MS
MVP-Windows
(IE,
OE,
Security,
Shell/User)

Wayne
wrote:

Could
someone
tell
me
when
Windows
Server

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2003
in
no
longer
supported
without
SP1
?
In
other
words,
when
will
patches
be
no
longer
available
for
pre-SP1
Active
Directory
Windows
2003
Servers.
I'm
looking
for
the
official
deadline,
but
I
cannot
find
a
diffinitive
answer.
Thanks
in
advance,