

Re: Group Policy script protection

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Hi,

You have already, with 17,000 boxes, run into the issue of tracking which machines have old and which new password.

There are alternatives to "enhance" the non-protection of the trivial uuencoding of the script obfuscator. The main one is from recognizing that the script used is a startup/shutdown script that is run as the System account, and so the permissions on the script in Syslogon needs a grant to Domain Computers, not to anything that includes Domain Users. With that change someone needs to first have an execution context that is running as Local System on their domain joined computer in order to see that the script is encoded.

Roger

"Matt" <Matt@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:1ECD1CA7-B9F7-402D-9928-0939D40E6922@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

We have an environment with 17,000 pc's which we periodically change the local administrator password with a vbscript using group policy.

Does anyone know a way to hide the new password in the script in case a user navigates to the policy script file and opens it and reads it?

We have tried the MS script encoder to change the vbs file to vbe but there is simple code on the internet that enables you to read it anyway.