

?? unable to access SQL Server w/ sa account unless user is Administrator on local machine

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OMG, someone else has the same problem we ran into yesterday. Its not documented anywhere from what I can see.

We wrote our app in VS.NET and its designed to use a trusted connection to localhost, unless it can't find one. Then it asks for a database, and in our office we can tell it to pickup our SQL (MSDE) server using SQL authentication and the account SA.

However we installed the application yesterday on 2 laptops for a local basketball organization using it for registration, and one computer was to host the db, so they could use two machines for entry.

However it didnt work. I could log into the server laptop just fine using SA, as mixed mode was enabled.

However the remote machine, even though OSQL -L listed the server, it could not connect, giving me the EXACT same error message you are receiving.

So I'll repeat your cry for help.....HELP! Please, this is extreamly frustrating.

Thanks,

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>-----Original Message-----

> We've encountered a wierd security problem with our app and SQL Server.

> We're doing more testing, but I'm hoping someone has a clue as to what is

>going on here.

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> *We have a client machine running XP and our app. The app connects to SQL Server on another machine using "sa" and a password. SQL Server is configured to accept both types of authentication. If the logged-in domain user belongs to the local Administrators group, our app connects fine. If the user does not belong to the local Administrators group, the app fails with the typical "access denied" error:*
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> *Error (-2147467259) [DBNETLIB][ConnectionOpen (Connect()).]SQL Server does not exist or access denied.*
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> *What possible difference could membership in the local Administrators group make to connecting to SQL Server with a SQL Server user account?*
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> *Thanks for any help.*
>
> *Regards,*
> *Dan*
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