

Re: Database securing problem

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I wish I could, but the application is for distribution and it should work on all Windows platforms, including 95 and 98. So this is not a solution to my problem.

That's the reason for using MSDE 1.0 and not the new version. I've searched everywhere and I can't imagine that Microsoft didn't included not one single way to protect the content of a database, any sort of encryption (even in Access you can use the workgroup file and this kind of problem is solved).

I mean... all you must do to access the content of a database is to stop the MSDE, copy the mdf and ldf files to your own MSDE of SQL Server and attach them, and you have access to everything with your own admin (sa user).

The only solution I currently have is to encrypt the sensitive content myself in every single record!

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

>Place it on a Win2k or XP machine and set the file permissions.

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>"B Andrei" <bandrei@mediafax.ro> wrote in message

>news:470501c283eb\$cefc7540\$37ef2ecf@TKMSFTNGXA13...

>> I'm running a MSDE 1.0 on a windows 98 machine.

>> Whatever user permissions for my database I set, another

>> person with file access can simply copy the database (mdf

>> and ldf files) to another sql server that he owns (so that

>> he knows the passwords) and attach my database

>> successfully.

>> I'm planning to distribute a desktop application with

>> an MSDE engine for database support and I can not find any

>> solution to secure the content of it.

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>> *Please help... if any of the ms guys can give me a
>> suggestion. The previous version of my application used
an
>> Access database with a workgroup file and it worked very
>> well, but now I can't find something to prevent someone
to
>> copy the database without detaching it and browsing the
>> content.
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>> Regards,
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