

Lost sysadmin, but yet I have it???

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SQL Server 2000 SP5a on Windows 2000 SP4

Friday morning we discovered that we no longer have sysadmin privileges. We were able to query the syslogins table. In the output we can clearly see that our accounts do have the sysadmin privileges, since there is a 1 in that column. But yet we do not have sysadmin privs!?!?!?!?!? Puzzling.

We are not able to get into the SA account, since no one knows the password. But we are in BUILTIN/Administrators, and we have many SQL Server authenticated accounts with sysadmin privs. But yet none of them seem to have the privilege.

Saturday I was able to restart the instance (actually, several times now), but that does not seem to resolve the problem. I have also rebooted the server, which does not solve the problem.

The next option would be to restore Master from a few days ago, but since I have no privileges I cant even do that!!!

Help? Ideas?

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