

## Re: Domain vs Local Security Policy

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You guys (Steven and Paul) are correct but I believe the OP may have been asking a slightly different question so don't take my response below as being in disagreement with the last few posts.

A machine CAN AVOID the entire AD policy set through a registry setting. This is very poorly documented (almost as if it is hidden) and it will probably take me some time to find again but it exists — my web server REFUSES the ISPs settings because they are weaker than my own.

Now, this probably wouldn't stop the password stuff if logging onto the domain (that was my thought before the others clearly stated it) but for logging onto machine specific accounts that remains irrelevant.

If no one else can locate it, I suppose I will have to re-search for that registry setting....

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Herb Martin

"Paul Adare - MVP - Microsoft Virtual PC" <padare@newsguy.com> wrote in message news:MPG.1ab2a39d3e7a70b198989b@msnews.microsoft.com...

> In article <803201c402e6\$67e28a90\$a101280a@phx.gbl>, in the  
> microsoft.public.win2000.security news group, Rich  
> <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> says...

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> > This is not true. You can create a separate OU with it's  
> > own password policy and block the policy inheritance from  
> > the parent.

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> No, you're wrong, and Steven is correct. To affect domain accounts, the  
> only place you can set account policy is at the domain level. Set it  
> any where else and all you're affecting is accounts in the local SAM of  
> any computers to which the GPO applies.

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> Paul Adare

> Moral indignation is jealousy with a halo.

> H. G. Wells, The Wife of Sir Isaac Harman