

Re: SQL DBA Permissions

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I've had SQL Server 2000 running under an account that's only a member of the guests group on the box, with the only side-effect that I could see being a message in the event log when the service started regarding port 1433 and being unable to attach permanently (sorry, being very vague here). Anyway, it certainly was listening on the right port and I couldn't find any problems for my particular application.

Bear in mind I'm no SQL Server expert, though. You might be better off asking in one of the SQL Server groups.

Regards

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"Andrew Mitchell" <amitchel@removecasey.vic.gov.au> wrote in message news:Xns94B9B2243019casey01@207.46.248.16...

> "*Oli Restorick [MVP]*" <oli@mvps.org> said

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>> *You are talking about the account your DBA uses to log on and not the SQL Server service account (which requires surprisingly low privileges at the machine it's running on), aren't you?*

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> *While we're on the subject, what permissions does the service account for SQL*

> *require?*

> *I recently attended the MS security presentation in Melbourne, and we were advised that the service acct only needs restricted privileges, but I have been unable to find out exactly what it needs.*

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> *It would be nice if MS provided a web page stating what the various services*

> *(SQL, Exchange, SMS etc.) need in order to operate correctly. Having it all*

> *listed on one page would make it very convenient.*

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> *Andy.*