

Synchronizing domain membership via VPN

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Company policy has dictated no-one is allowed to be a local administrator on their computer. Sometimes we need to allow select users to be administrators temporarily to install some software on their computers or to work with a program that will not function without admin rights.

When they are on the network this is achieved by putting them into a temp admin group (the temp admin group is in their local administrators group). Once they log off and on again they have their admin rights. After a predetermined amount of time they are removed from the temp admin group.

The problem occurs however when they are not in the office. We can add them to the group but even if they connect to VPN their membership in the temp admin group is not recognized. Is there a way to force synchronize security information such as this after logon if they are connected to VPN... or for that matter if they are connected to the network so they don't have to log off and on?