

Re: FOR A SKILLED IT EXPERT – WIN2K SERVER – DOMAIN CONTROLLER

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Thanks Roger – OK – just finished a second windows server installation to another folder on C Drive WINNT2..

Guess the next step is to restore the system state from the tape back to the original WINNT folder?

Will try this and see if she boots up in the first installation....

Will keep you posted...

Blessings and thanks again...

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John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

"Roger Abell [MVP]" wrote:

So then the policy is disallowing all login by all users at all machines ?
The remote tools would need to be run with a recognized domain account having admin priv in order to edit the group pollicy objects.
That pretty much makes running from a CD boot not an option.
I had thought that with Windows 2000 one could not block the built-in Administrator account from being able to log in (while in Windows Server 2003 one can, but not from a safe mode boot).
The built-in Administrator account may have been renamed, but if you know what the account is then perhaps this will give you a route to log in.

"West-Wind-7" <WestWind7@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:A5E710B2-AC12-4172-B770-9BBD2906545F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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Thank you and Bless you Roger for your time in answering – VERY much appreciated.

Will soon attempt your suggestion if we can access the Server from the workstation.

(last message denied access to the server from the workstation – the WKSTN boots up on cached profile only) The interactive logon problem has applied to ALL users in the Domain.

Yes – it is very possible we are at a pre-DC state on the server after the manual security reset.

Yes – we have a very recent back up of the system state, but how do we logon to use the tape deck (Dell SCSI) ??

Worst case Roger, can we use the tools suggested from a CD Rom or floppy boot?

God Bless you again and thank you again....

Take care –

WW7

"Roger Abell [MVP]" wrote:

The message is referring to the effective policy.

The setting could originate anywhere.

NTrights pokes the effective setting and gives you on a DC a 5 minute window to log in. You need to find which GPO this was set in and change it back.

If you need, you can define a temp GPO linked onto the DC OU

at highest priority that sets a value of Administrators as having the

log on local user right in order to not hassle with things while finding

and changing back what had been set accidentally.

However, you now have other issues due to the effort with resetting

the security. I am not quite sure where things are at for you now

since that probable tweaked things back to pre-domain controller

config. Can you install the adminpak.msi

(www.microsoft.com/downloads)

on a machine in the domain and use the mmc tools to get at

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the config
of the domain remotely ?? Also grab GPMC while you are at
downloads.

If you had not tried the reset we could have pulled you out of
this, per
the
comments of the opening paragraphs and remote tools. With
the reset
attempted I do not know. How far did things get and what
happened??
The best chance at this point may be if you have a recent
valid full
backup
of the system state so that an authoritative restore could be
done.

Hopefully others reading this have some ideas . . .

It is sometimes useful to disallow admins local login.
That can be a valid and desirable deployment.
MS cannot anticipate what is unlikely a useful configuration
and
make the settings for same impossible, although in a very
few
cases they have, since as soon as it is said "that is not a valid
thing to do" a situation comes along in which it is.
That said, it is possible, and I have seen, Domain Admins
completely
locked out from all ability to log into or manage their forest.
Sort of
foolish, to do and to allow to be done, but I guess it is a case
of at
what point do you allow and disallow.

"West-Wind-7"
<WestWind7@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in
message
news:88C35619-1C73-4095-8E11-949155242A39@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Thanks Roger – The error message says the
LOCAL POLICY..But it is true
that
the Domain Policy was edited but NOT the
logon rights for any user.

Used NTRIGHTS over the network, and that
fixed it once. BUT, each time
i
(Administrator) logged on the same problem

came back.

So, i followed the MS instructions to manually edit the inf and ini security files to reset everything back to default.

Still the same error message. NOW, NTRIGHTS will not work – so network access is not an option.

We are a small 2 pc design Company also enagaged in Christian Evangelism.

It looks like i must install another copy of the OS in a separate folder and boot up through that, and then manually edit the files.

Unless you can think of another way??

REGARDING your comment : > If there were a simple way to reset everything when the system

believes you are not entitled to do so it would not be a very well planned system design now would it ?

WHY WOULD THE SYSTEM DENY THE ADMINISTRATOR LOGON RIGHTS???

If the Admin can't get in the system is useless.

Why would the system NOT warn an Admin that the changes made to the policies will PREVENT him from logging back on??

It is a conundrum, and having scoured the internet, multitudes of other people have experienced this very same issue.

CONCLUSION : It is an MS flaw in the way the OS responds to Security Policy changes made by an Administrator who is NOT a Degree Holder in Computer Science. The OS MUST tell the person, BEFORE the changes are absorbed, that doing so will LOCK THEM OUT OF THE SYSTEM...

It does not do that, otherwise i would NOT be in this mess.

If you have any other ideas of how to reset the security back to default, with ZERO Domain access we would ALL love to know,

Bless you Roger and thank you for your reply ... very much appreciated...

In Christ and in Truth...

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"Roger Abell [MVP]" wrote:

You have told us this is with Windows 2000 server. However, your subject says Domain Controller, but your message says the change was in the local security policy, which is not used on domain controllers.

What is it that you modified ?? If it was only the Log on Locally and/or the Deny log on locally policies, then just edit the GPO remotely over network with

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a domain admin account and
reverse
the changes.

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"West-Wind-7"

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wrote in message

news:8A59B55E-6062-429D-B146-F958EC25532B@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

"The local
policy of
this system
does not
permit you
to logon
interactively"

Hello
Everyone –
i made a
small and
insignificant
change to
the
local
security
policy. NO
ERROR
MESSAGE,
that i would
be locked
out of the
server,
and for this
i am very
upset with
MS.

Anyhow, i
CANNOT
logon with

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ANY
USER, not
even the
built in
Administrator
in
Directory
Services
Mode. This
has been for
over 10
days now.
DO NOT
WANT
TO
LOSE the
profiles.

Does
ANYONE
know of a
floppy boot
up program
that will
RE-SET all
Domain
Controller
Security
back to
DEFAULT???

Re-setting
the
Password is
not the
issue.

How CAN
all
SECURITY
be reset to
default, via
a boot-up
floppy
program
to
allow logon
normally
again
without this
RIDICULOUS

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SURELY,
there is a
way to
easily reset
the
security?

Hope
someone
can suggest
something...

Thank you
and God
Bless you...

West-Wind-7