

Re: User Restictions on a Standalone Machine

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Outside of a domain, local policy has effect on all machine local accounts equally. This is changing with the Vista release (finally, after 6 years of being advised that this is needed) You may find interest in (the painful to implement hack) <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;293655>

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Hi,

I am running Win2k Professional on a standalone, non-networked machine. It is to be deployed to users whom I don't want messing with my system! What I would like to do is have an administrator account, with full privileges (which I can manage to setup!) and a user account that is severely restricted. In particular, I don't want them to have access to the system folders or control panel, or be able to change any settings — just run programs (even restrict them to just a few applications, but that might be asking too much), load/save/print documents and shutdown the machine!

How do you do this!?

I have read-up on group policies and user profiles and I can't seem to make the necessary changes to a particular user/group. The best I can manage, so far, is adding the GPO snap-in to the MMC; but I haven't messed any further because it implies that it affects the entire machine, not one particular policy/profile. Can you even do what I'm asking in Win2k Pro? It would seem an obvious function of a multi-user OS; but I would have thought it would be at least somewhat intuitive to set-up...

Many thanks;
Christopher Harrison