

Re: Windows XP – Task Scheduler

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I have encountered the same problem with Task Scheduler at DOZENS of client sites over the years, where tasks may run flawlessly for days or weeks, then magically – they stop running (listing Could Not Start for the status). I simply have to edit the task by REENTERING the SAME password – that was there in the first place – and we're off and running for several more days/weeks! This has been a problem in Windows NT 4.0(sp6a) SERVERs AND XP Prof workstations. And no surprise, since XP probably uses some of the same underlying code as NT! I have talked with other consultants – and we've all concluded that Microsoft's task scheduler is "unreliable at best". I would love to find out the real cause of the problem and solve this once and for all!!!! More info: generally a single domain exists, YES user account associated with task ALWAYS has/had a password...

SchedLog1.txt reports: The attempt to retrieve account information for the specified task failed; therefore, the task did not run. Either an error occurred, or no account information existed for the task. The specific error is: 0x8004130f: No account information could be found in the Task Scheduler security database for the task indicated.

How does Windows lose the "account information"? I can log in as this user without a problem!

Thanks to all,

–Mike

"Joe" <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:<9b5401c3eaa8\$9ca1f190\$a401280a@phx.gbl>...

> *Task Scheduler Jobs Will Not Run*

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> *I receive the following error in a Window Pop Up:*

> *0x8007007a: The data area passed to a system call is too*

> *small.*

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> *I find the following in the Task Scheduler Log for the*

> *two tasks I attempted to change/run.*

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> *"McAfee.com Update Check (D8NGZ131-Owner).job"*
> *(mcupdate.exe) 2/3/2004*
> *9:54:00 AM ** ERROR ***
> *The attempt to retrieve account information for*
> *the specified task failed; therefore, the task did not*
> *run. Either an error*
> *occurred, or no account information existed for the task.*
> *The specific error is:*
> *0x80070534: No mapping between account names and*
> *security IDs was done.*
> *"Backup.job" (Program) 2/3/2004 9:54:17 AM ** ERROR ***
> *The attempt to retrieve account information for*
> *the specified task failed; therefore, the task did not*
> *run. Either an error*
> *occurred, or no account information existed for the task.*
> *The specific error is:*
> *0x8004130f: No account information could be found*
> *in the Task Scheduler security database for the task*
> *indicated.*
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> *I already tried deleting files in C:\Documents and*
> *Settings\All Users\ApplicationData\Microsoft\Crypto\RSA\S-*
> *1-5-18. Same symptoms persist.*
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> *Any ideas on how to clear this up?*
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> *Thanks*