

Re: Change from Administrator to Power user

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You could configure security permissions to reduce the administrative group accounts down to the power user group level instead of changing the administrative accounts to the power user group. see in any folder's security that the default permissions for the power user group are checked on three boxes only, so uncheck the administrative group permissions to that level.

Tip: In Folder Properties\Security\Advanced Options\Permissions\Modify\ and check 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 12th boxes, check box to apply the same permissions to objects and containers within the folder, apply and accept. That will make the administrative group have the same permissions than those of the power users. You may also modify the security policies so they can not take ownership and be able to modify permissions, do it in Start\Run\secpol.msc\Security Settings\Local directives\User Rights Assignment\Take Ownership of Files or other objects\remove administrators.

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<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/308419/en-us>

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<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/308418/en-us>

"Oiprox" <aev@xxxxxxxxxxxx> escribió en el mensaje
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> I forgot to say that the user and the workstation are part of a domain, so

i

> cannot create another user account so easily. Moreover i must mention that

I

> have to change rights not of one user but of 30 in a short time. Some of them

> have outlook base up to 4 Gb – so the process of migrating data will take too

> much time.

> Sometimes I change permissions to registry branches for the user to full

> control and make him the owner of the folder with his account settings in

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> and settings and it works but sometimes it doesn't! And I cannot guarantee
> the user that in the future he will have no problem because of it.
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> Best regards,
> Oiprox
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> "Juan" wrote:
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>> "Jesper Johansson" [MSFT] said:
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>>> Why do you need to change a user from administrator to Power User? It
buys
>> you almost nothing from a security perspective.
>> Your statement conflicts with many MVPs but coming directly from
Microsoft I
>> don't doubt you are correct, but still I'd be interested to know the
facts.
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>>> A Power User is just an administrator that has not made himself an
>> administrator yet. If anything you need to change it to a regular user.
>> I didn't know that a power user could make himself an administrator,
would
>> you care to elaborate.
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>>> More than likely the creator/owner on the user's profile is listed as
>> "Administrators" not the user account.
>> That can easily easily be changed.
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>>> The Files and Settings Transfer Wizard is the easiest way "to more the
>> profile".
>> (?) You lost me here. I'd be interested to know your meaning; any tip
is a
>> good tip specially coming directly from Microsoft.
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>>> And I responded to the OP request with what seems to me the most
practical
>> approach and because I believe it's best to have more than one
>> administrative account, and I didn't mention it but seems obvious he
should
>> leave the administrative account as it is and instead of converting it
to
>> power or regular user, he should instead create a new account, and the
File
>> and settings wizard seems to me the most practical approach to transfer
>> files and settings to the new account without modifying the
administrative
>> account.. but that's just my point of view of course and just a
suggestion.
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