

Re: Rename Domain

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Child Domains: The extra servers being installed will be located in branch offices acting as DC, DNS, DHCP, FS and PS. This adds some domain security.

Correct?

I am following the Branch Office type of setup.

You don't think I would have any problems with keeping the same internal and external domain name?

Blaine

"Lanwench [MVP - Exchange]" wrote:

In <news:16D95562-D58C-4421-83ED-FE6902C32BCD@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, blaine <blaine@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> typed:

Hello;

We have 1 domain name for our internal domain and external website. company.com. It has been brought to my attention that this may cause problem for us in the future.

Meh. The only problem you're likely to have is that internal users who try to go to your publicly hosted website/whatnot at whatever.company.com will not be able to reach it unless you create static host entries in your AD DNS, which is easy enough to do.

Renaming a domain with Exchange in the picture is not a pretty thing and I would avoid it...unless you absolutely must do so, and in this case I don't see the point.

We currently have 2 - 2k3 servers, 1 with exchange 2003 and the other with DC,DNS, DHCP, AD, SQL 2005, 2 IIS websites and 15 users. In the near future, (3 month from now) we will be adding a child domain,

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Why a child domain, just out of curiosity?

10 servers, and 100 users on this domain. I believe that if we need to change our domain name, we should do it now before adding the child/servers/users.
new.company.com

From reading some documents, it sounds like the best and the cleanest solution to this is to create the new domain and transfer our current user over to this new domain name and demote the old domain. But I have some questions. How will this affect our current running programs.

How will this affect our current users sign-ons (Active Directory)? I will need to visit every PC and rejoin to the new domain. Will this create a new user on the domain and will I need to transfer the user data to the new domain user.

How will this affect the SQL 2005? What do I need to do to make sure everyone still has the same access. (I was thinking we just demote this server and attach it to the new domain or just rebuild it (something similar upgrading from SQL 2k to 2K3))

How will this affect the exchange server? Will email still work as @company.com.
What steps can I follow to move the exchange server to the new domain?

Any insight would be helpful. Thanks for your time.
Blaine