

RE: Exchange 2000 & 5.5 | Mixed Mode | Upgrade to 2003? ADC upgrade r

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Hi

I think it is a must to upgrade all ADC Servers and Services. But for me it seems to be an easy task. You can install new servers then install the newest ADC Service incl. service packs on these boxes. Then move the ADC Connection agreements to the new servers. Done.

Henry

"gwwmcse@xxxxxxxx" wrote:

Hi all!

Doing some preimoptive work for the introduction to Exchange Server 2003 SP2.

Environment:

- 20+ Exchange Server 5.5 Servers (NO USERS, still migrating public folders)
- 15+ Exchange 2000 Servers SP3
- ADC from 5.5 servers to 2000 servers.
- Currently = Mixed Mode 2000

To do:

- Introduce 2 x 2003 Front-End and 2 x Back-end 2003 servers to get a Dev POC up and running.

Problem:

- According to "<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/823601>" I 'must' upgrade all 2000 ADC connectors to 2003 ADC connectors before the first 2003 exchange server can be installed into the Organization. If they are not upgraded, you will be forced to install into a new Organization.

....and quote:

"If you introduce Exchange 2003 into an existing mixed organization (one that has both Exchange Server 5.5 and Exchange 2000 computers), you must upgrade the existing Exchange 2000 ADC computers to the Exchange Server 2003 version of ADC before you introduce the first Exchange 2003 computer into the environment."

....and:

"Eventually, you must upgrade all ADC services before you install the first Exchange 2003 computer. Either perform an in-place upgrade of all ADC services that are older than Exchange 2003 before you install so that all earlier Connection Agreements are phased out. Or, perform fresh installations of the Exchange 2003 version of ADC, move all existing Connection Agreements to run on the newly installed ADC service, and then remove the Exchange 2000 ADC installations."

Questions:

1..Is this actually a requirement and I will not be able to install a Exchange Server 2003 box into the current Organization?

2..Will the installtion actually allow me to install and this is just a recommendation? And how will this effect the public folders? Remember there are no users on exchange server 5.5 at this point, just public folders.

Cheers!

-Greg