

Re: Windows users lock up when restarting active directory server

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What you are trying to do is like making your car work still while you take the engine out and work on it.

If exchange goes down, outlook will go spastic. You can try to configure it for off line mode, which wont scream as much, or go to out look 2003 which works beautifully if the exchange server goes off line for a while.

Making the secondary DC a GC is needed or else it is useless if the main ad server, which is a GC be default being the first one, is down.

The secondary server should also be the clients secondary dns server, this will keep them functioning for name resolution also.

The most important thing is, don't take the server down during prime work hours.

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"Nick" <nick.karaguezian@imgusa.com> wrote in message

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> Hi, we have around 60 users, that are Windows 2000/XP and 98 clients.
> When we restart our file server which has DNS/DHCP/AD, Exchange 2000
> (via another server) running, it freezes up the users, when they are
> in outlook or any kind of windows program. We tried to setup another
> windows 2000 as a domain controller, so if one server restarts it
> would compensate for the other, but that didn't help. Is there a way
> to tell the client workstations to continue using email, and other web
> services without locking up, when the main AD server has to be
> restarted for maintenance?

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> thanks

> Nick