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Hi Phillip,

Can you demonstrate that?

You can just test it.

In such a case the connection would be past down the list until it hit the Default Rule where it would then be denied.

Nope.

Watch your Monitoring log to see what rule actually is associated with the resulting "deny".

It is allowing rule in this case.

If you put a second identical rule under that one and include the "missing" user, then it would catch the traffic after the first rule ignored it and the user would be allowed.

Absolutely no.

I'm willing to be wrong,...but what you describe doesn't fit with what I know about the rule behavior. An allow can only allow and not anything else, and a deny rule can only deny and nothing else.

I afraid you are wrong. There is a good article about this. Here, just found: [http://www.isaserver.org/articles/ISA2004\\_AccessRules.html](http://www.isaserver.org/articles/ISA2004_AccessRules.html)

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Quote:

"When you configure access rules that apply to users and the user can not authenticate themselves for any reason, then the request will be denied by the rule requiring authentication, even if it is an allow rule."

Evgeny

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An Allow based Rule cannot "deny",...it can either allow or ignore.

Actually this is not right. Allowing rule can deny connections. For example if connection conforms to allowing rule in all except user identity (rule allows access to authenticated users, but connection is anonymous), then connection will be denied. Other rules are not even checked in this case.

Can you demonstrate that? In such a case the connection would be past down the list until it hit the Default Rule where it would then be denied. Watch your Monitoring log to see what rule actually is associated with the resulting "deny".

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Understanding the ISA 2004 Access Rule Processing  
[http://www.isaserver.org/articles/ISA2004\\_AccessRules.html](http://www.isaserver.org/articles/ISA2004_AccessRules.html)

Troubleshooting Client Authentication on Access Rules in ISA Server 2004  
[http://download.microsoft.com/download/9/1/8/918ed2d3-71d0-40ed-8e6d-fd6eeb6cfa07/ts\\_rules.doc](http://download.microsoft.com/download/9/1/8/918ed2d3-71d0-40ed-8e6d-fd6eeb6cfa07/ts_rules.doc)

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