

Re: Office 2008 Files: Read Only, POSIX, ACLs Frustration!

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Thanks Bill for the info. In the morning I'll post the ACL list from the server. However I do have some questions regarding your setup:

What do you mean by <any group>? A local group? An AD group? Or am I supposed to fill in that blank with the group that I want to manage, for example:

Mac HD:Sales Dept

Owner: LocalAdminAcct
Group: admin (ie the local admin group)
Everyone: None

ACLs:
Full Control: LocalAdminAcct (same as what's shown above in POSIX)
Read/Write: MYDOMAIN\Sales
Read/Write: MYDOMAIN\Domain Admins
Read Only: MYDOMAIN\Interns

I know this sounds like a simple question that I am asking you about (ie setting permissions for a folder).. but I have just been going nuts regarding this Read Only thing that only appears in Office 2008, which is why I'm trying to dig a bit deeper to find out if the cause isn't simple POSIX and ACL permissions, but instead something dastardly that Office 2008 is trying to do.

However your statement that:

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DEFINITELY intrigues me because that is not a standard I have been following with diagnosing this problem, so I'm going to give that a try when I get to work in the morning. I have been a Full Control kinda tester with network account access instead of a Read/Write tester so far.

"William Smith [MVP]" wrote:

Decker 12 wrote:

I wish to lock down this folder, so I set POSIX permissions to Owner:
Decker12, Read/Write, Group: Sales, Read/Write, Everyone: None.

This is what I do for my server permissions (recreating from memory at home):

Owner: <a local account on the server>
Group: <a local group on the server>
Everyone: None

ACLs:

Full Control: <same local account on the server>
Read/Write: <any group>
Read/Write: <any group>
Read only: <any group>
Read only: <any group>
Read only: Everyone from directory service, not local (if needed)

ACLs should always override standard permissions.

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How are your permissions set? To illustrate your setup you can take a screen shot and post it on <<http://www.imageshack.us/>> for free and without creating an account.

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