

Re: Account Recommendations

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What I do is:

I use a Windows domain account for both SQL Server and SQL Server Agent. I do not give any permissions to this account. Do not add it to the local Administrators group. The SQL Server setup will give this account the required permissions. By using this domain account SQL Server will be able to access resources on the network (after permissions are granted).

I give a strong password to sa but do not use this account.

Try to have the members of sysadmin to a minimum.

Ben Nevarez

"Jason Callas" <jcallas@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

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>I got a weird permission issue with scheduled DTS packages trying to access
>files using UNC naming convention. (It did not work... access denied.) Even
>though the scheduled job (through SQL Job Agent) was owned by a domain
>account it did not work. I had to changed the job agent service to run
>under a domain account to fix it.

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> Anyways... this got asking...

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> What is the recommended setup for running SQL and its associated services?

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> SQL Server – domain account / member of local Administrators group /

> member of SQL System Administrators group

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> sa account – server account (no idea what to do with this one or what

> it is for) / owner of my scheduled jobs

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> SQL Job Agent – domain account / same as SQL server process

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> SQL Report Server – domain account / same as SQL server process

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- > Pertinent questions:
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- > 1. Should I be using the same domain account for all these services?
- > 2. Should the accounts used be part of the local administrators group?
- > 3. For job agent and report server, does the account need to be part of SQL System Administrators?
- > 4. Am I correct in needing a domain account for job agent in order to access files via UNC in DTS?
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- > Not sure if I am missing any other questions....
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- > Thanks.
- > – Jason
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- **References:**

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- ◆ *From: Jason Callas*

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