

RE: vb script called from login script exits when login script ter

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That's a bummer to hear that it can't be done normally, but I will try the method suggested. I haven't had a chance to try it yet but hopefully will later this week.

The reason we need to do this is, tied to us moving from Novell NetWare to Windows. In Novell our login times (from the time the user types in their user ID and password and hit Enter on the Novell login screen to the time the user gets their desktop) was about 30 seconds. With the pure Windows login and running Windows login scripts the login time is about 1 minute and 10 seconds (give or take 10 seconds) with a very bare bones login script. So we're looking at the login script and separating out what absolutely has to run before the user gets their desktop (drive mappings, some critical software installs and patches) and what can wait until after the user gets logged in and starts working (printer deployment and a few other things).

On a side note, our Corporate folks have already worked with Microsoft Support on the slower login issue and according to them it's down to as short a time as it's going to get. We are down from about 4 minutes to the 1:10 so that was an improvement but still not as good as our NetWare login times.

"WenYuan Wang [MSFT]" wrote:

Hello CLH,
Thanks for your reply.

I'm sorry I misunderstood the issue before. Now, I understood your issue as below:

The synchronous part of VBScript works fine. Explorer.exe waits until the script has completed before running. The issue is that asynchronous part of VBScript is terminated after the synchronous part of logon script is finished.

Please correct me if I misunderstood anything here again.

I reproduced this issue on my side.
After performed further research, I noticed this behavior is by design.

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If your Windows 2000 logon script runs synchronously, all child processes are stopped when the logon script ends.

<http://www.jsifaq.com/SF/Tips/Tip.aspx?id=7938>

[7938 " When your Windows 2000 logon script ends, child processes started by the script also end? 15-Apr-04]

We cannot combine these two part of login script in one script.

My suggestion is that you may set the asynchronous part of your Logon Script as Logon Script in (Administrative Templates\System\logon|"Run this progame at user login"). Thereby, it will be executed after user gets their desktop.

Under my test, this way seems work fine on my side.

Would you please try the above method and let me know if it works on side?

If you face any further issue or there is anything unclear, please feel free to let me know. We are glad to assist you.

Hope this helps,

Best regards,

Wen Yuan

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