

# Security Exception when deploying a VB.NET 2003 Solution

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Hello all,

About a year ago I wrote a VB.NET 2003 solution that consists of a number of assemblies (1 EXE and 15 DLLS). As I recall, in order to deploy the solution to a testing server I simply copied the contents of the Bin folder in the development area where the compiled assemblies reside. Be patient with me here, because I haven't used .NET since then ... our primary development environment is still VB6, as we have a large application with 6 years devoted to it and are not quite ready to do a complete re-write in .NET.

The .NET project which had been dormant for a year is now back in action. I tried creating an MSI install project from within the solution. It appeared to include the primary EXE all the necessary dependencies (I don't even remember how I created that Installer at the moment).

The bottom line is that now when I try to deploy to either a Test Server share or a local workstation (which is a member of a Domain), I get Microsoft .NET security errors upon trying to start the Executable.

Examples:

Local Workstation:

"An unhandled exception has occurred....

"Access to the path 'C:\Program Files\Testing' is denied.

Server Share:

"The application attempted to perform an operation not allowed by the security policy. The operation required the SecurityException. To grant this application the required permission please contact your system administrator, or use the Microsoft .NET security policy administrator."

So, I used the .NET 1.1 and 2.0 Configuration tools to try to create a Runtime Security Code Group to allow the program to run. I don't remember having to do this last year...strangely enough. I was not able to successfully get the program to execute after a few hours of reading documentation and trying different things in the Configuration tools. The documentation and even the tools themselves are somewhat inscrutable to the

uninitiated.