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- > *Currently the admin's group contains the domain users group*
- > *is this correct? It doesn't seem that it should be setup*
- > *this way.*

I agree with Paul there – huge security issue.

First, which Admins group? The local "Administrators" group on the client machines? On the DC? On some other server? SIDWALK from the Windows 2000 Support Tools will help you find out.

Some folks like to make a domain's Domain Users group a member of all of the stations' Administrators group because otherwise broken software doesn't work. I usually hit these folks with a big, painful stick and then redo their security for them.

- > *If I remove the domain users group from the*
- > *admin's group, my users lose their profiles when they log*
- > *in. What should be the problem / fix?? Any ideas???*

Oh geez, and the local directory permissions are messed up, too.

The original directory permissions for C:\Documents And Settings are:

Local Administrators: Full Control

Everyone, Users and Power Users: Read, Read and Execute, List Folder Contents

SYSTEM: Full Control

The Default User folder inherits these permissions and also has the Hidden flag turned on.

The All Users folder has a copy of these (rather than inheriting them) except Power Users have additional rights (Everything except Change Permissions and Take Ownership).

All other folders have Administrators, SYSTEM, and the owning user having

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Full Control.

See if resetting these helps restore profile access to limited users.

Ownership of these doesn't seem to make a difference – I have a couple of limited users on my home Win2K machine and their profile folder's owner is Administrators (the local group). As long as each user has Full Control over their own profile folder they should be able to use it.

One more thing though: Does a brand new user – one who's never had a profile on that machine before – have the same difficulty?

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