

Re: Group policy and Group shield??

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Wet,

I will admin right off the bat that I am not a fan of McAfee AntiVirus software. I am a big fan of Norton and TrendMicro. Not sure that your Anti Virus software is necessarily causing any problems with this, though.

Let's do some basic troubleshooting:

Where did you create this Password Policy?

What are the settings?

Is it a separate GPO or is it included with some other GPO? If so, are the other parts working?

Why do you think that it should have started today?

Do you have any GPOs that are working?

Have you made sure that DNS is correct? And that all of the clients point only to YOUR internal DNS Servers (and not the ISP's)?

Have you run 'net accounts' on the Domain Controllers as well as on some of the clients? How does that look?

I would start there!

I would also suggest that you implement complexity – if you have not done so – and educate your users as to what that means. Furthermore, I would suggest contacting MS–PSS and getting the fix for the error message that the user is given if he/she attempts to change the password to something that does not meet with the complexity rules. Out of the box the error message is not very useful or informative at all. The new error message – once you implement the change – is very specific! The user just needs to read it!

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=821425>

The call to MS–PSS does not cost you anything as long as you mention that you are looking for the fix as discussed in that MSKB Article. They will e–mail it to you.....Just make sure to give them a valid e–mail address!

You might also want to take a look at this:

microsoft.public.win2000.active_directory: Re: Group policy and Group shield??

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=309799>

Might be a bit too much but in my opinion you can never have too much security. Just educate the users!

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"WetBehindEars" <WetBehindEars@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:35328F15-3C96-462C-9AFE-C74759BD56EC@microsoft.com...

>I set up a group policy to take affect on our passwords (length,
>expiration,
> etc) and should of started today, but it did not take affect. I also
> received
> various messages from Alert Manager (Group Shield) this morning and was
> wondering if there is any connection. Has anyone experienced a group
> policy
> not working due to their virus protection? Is it possible? Any
> suggestions?