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Sounds like they were logging locally and not onto the domain at one point and now they are logging onto the domain? This is not a problem this is by design.

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"CAMC1" <[webmaster@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:webmaster@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
<news:%23M8hqgGHHA.3952@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Is there a solution to this problem?  
In our domain, Active Directory won't allow 2 user with same login ID.

The only thing with these users names, their computer names are same as their login ID on the domain.  
(One is the machine account, which is the PC name, the other is users login ID)  
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"Debo" <[shonuff6699@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:shonuff6699@xxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
<news:1165592867.339942.53010@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

this happens when more than one profile exist on the machine with the same name. here is an excerpt from a MS KB:

Windows 2000 and Windows XP handle duplicate down-level account names as well but in a slightly more intuitive manner. A suffix is placed on the username of the profile that is either the name of the domain, if the user account is a domain account, or the name of the computer, if the user account is a local user account. If, by chance, another user with the same name from the same domain or computer logs onto the machine, Windows 2000 or Windows XP adds a .000 suffix to the domain or

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computer name. If the action happens again, it then starts incrementing the .000 as well.

CAMC1 wrote:

Hello,  
We use Windows 2000 (SP4) Active Directory domain to login, but for some reason, randomly, some user profiles have changed for no apparent

reason.

Example: A user who logged into domain from a PC, used to have his/her profile was named like  
C:\Document and Settings\LOGINID  
but now, same person (noticed when person got a new desktop)  
Profile is now looks like  
C:\Document and Settings\LOGINID.DomainName

What is going on?

Thanks  
MC