

## Re: Windows 98 getting stuck logging into a W2K3 domain.

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"Bloke at the pennine puddle (Replace n.a.v.d with vodafone.net.)"

<news006ddes@n.a.v.d> wrote in message

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> *The good news is that the symptoms are all the same. As a temporary*

> *workaround I've turned off Windows 98's ability in Client for MS*

> *networks to validate usernames and passwords.*

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> *The problem is that at random times Windows 98 pops up a message on*

> *login stating that the domain can not be found, or wrong password.*

> *Sometimes the account gets locked out on the server. Yes, directory*

> *services client for 9x is installed.*

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> *Now, turning off the login to domain option on Client for MS networks*

> *allows the workstation to login, but here lies a problem with*

> *remembered driver letter mappings, because login scripts only run when*

> *Client for MS networks does the password validation.*

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> *What happens is that the dialogue (`Quick login` used) shosing the*

> *drive letter is being mapped shows and, just hangs.*

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> *I can get past this by clicking on cancel, then `Start` and then `Log*

> *off`. At this poing I'm returned to the Windows login dialogue and*

> *possibly an imcomplete dialogue behind that which tries to tell me*

> *that the next drive letter in line can't be mapped.*

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> *Logging into Windows a second time works perfectly.*

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> *Client and server communications signing is disabled on the Windows*

> *2003 server within group policies.*

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> *Windows 95 seems to not to suffer from this problem. Windows 2000*

> *Professional works perfectly.*

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> *BEcause of a legacy application, I don't have a choice and the*

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- > *machines running Windows 95 and Windows 98 have got to stay. The*
- > *legacy application will be redesigned, but this will not be for a*
- > *number of months.*
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- > *Can anyone help me with this annoying problem? I would really like*
- > *Win9x to validate the login to the domain and also have the facility*
- > *of using login scripts as they are supposed to be used.*
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- > *In a nut shell, I'm stumped. I've never need this sort of behaviour*
- > *before.*
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- > *HELP!!!!*

I have seen a few Win98 machines before that would intermittently fail to get domain validation. Rather than trying to solve the problem, I walked around it, by telling the machine NOT to get domain validation, and by placing this batch file into the Startup folder:

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@echo off
\\YourPDC\Netlogon\YourNetlogon.bat
```

This will get you the usual drives mapped. The only thing you will miss is central password administration: If the password changes then you will have to change it manually on the domain controller and on the Win98 machine.