

Re: change from domain to workgroup

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By default a domain computer is able to logon with "cached credentials" for a domain user when a domain controller can not be contacted and you can not rejoin the domain unless it can contact a domain controller at which time you may be prompted for administrator credentials for the domain anyway.

Since you can log on as the local administrator, consider yourself lucky. I would suggest logging on as local administrator and copying your old domain profile over to a new user that you create [other than what you are logged on as]. You should be able to access most everything in your old profile then. I am not sure if that will help with the application though but it may help to name the new user the same as your domain user account. See the link below on copying a profile and be sure to give the proper user [your new local account] permissions to the profile in the "permitted to use" box when you select copy to. --- Steve

<http://www.wpi.edu/Academics/CCC/Help/Software/Windows/Win2000/profilecopying.html>

"Manser" <nmanser@progis.de> wrote in message news:
2178d61f.0404031537.3da29c2b@posting.google.com...

> *Hi folks,*
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> *i inherited a laptop from my former company and i wanted to integrate*
> *it in my*
> *home lan.*
> *i could login with my username and password although the laptop was*
> *powered on locally (no connection to the domain)*
> *i have done the following:*
> *give it an ip address through the LAN adapter, and*
> *In Control Panel/Settings/System I changed from 'domain' to*
> *'workgroup' and now I can't log on. When Windows starts, it asks for a*
> *username and password. It won't accept my previous password and*
> *username, or the name of the workgroup with my previous password.*
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> *so i logged on with administrator and tried to change the setting back*
> *i.e Control Panel/settings/system from workgroup to the old domain*
> *name.*
> *i could't.*

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- > *Question Nr. 1:*
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- > *Why could i login with my domain username although i was disconnected*
- > *from the domain. (i was at home), where was this information stored ?*
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- > *someone told me that i must reconnect to the company's network*
- > *and contact the domain admin to reregister the computer back to the*
- > *domain.*
- > *but this is impossible since i have changed the company.*
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- > *what i want is getting access to my old desktop icons from my former*
- > *username:*
- > *all the programms i used were stored on my local disk.*
- > *i have found the shortcuts on my local disk under*
- > *c:\documents and settings\<old domain username>\desktop*.**
- > *i thought the following approach:*
- > *i create a local account with the same name than on the domain.*
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- > *Question Nr. 2:*
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- > *will the content c:\documents and settings\<old domain*
- > *username>\desktop*.**
- > *be overwritten ?*
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- > *i need to get access to one programm, but i could not start it with*
- > *administrator, i exits with the following error: initialisation*
- > *failure.*
- > *i think it expects that i run the programm with my old username.*
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- > *Question Nr. 3:*
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- > *How can get the programm started to restore my addressbook ?*
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- > *I would appreciate your help very much*