

Re: DST Updates Deployed via Group Policy

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In KB914387 Microsoft gives you the registry keys that need to be changed for W2K. Aren't these "patches" for XP and 2003 just the same registry entries in a patch file or is there something more to it?

I am in the EST time zone and when I applied the XP patch to my computer I saw that my EST reg entries were the same as my 2003 server and 2000 workstations that I patched so far. If these patches are just registry entries can't I just create a policy to deploy these registry entries to all computers

There is a FREE utility from DesktopStandards called PolicyMaker Registry Extensions to import the registry keys easily and automatically via Group Policies. Could I just make this a domain policy and never have to worry about patching a computer in the future regardless of XP, 2000, or 2003?

"Roger Abell [MVP]" <mvpNoSpam@xxxxxxx> wrote in message [news:%23\\$TENjLYHHA.4368@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:%23$TENjLYHHA.4368@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

"Jeff" <Jeff@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:08CD91E4-A618-477E-9874-101C2C366F21@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Thanks for the reply. Yes, your description is accurate, however a previous response to my post (from Florian) states that a GPO cannot be linked to a Security Group. I thought that it could, but now that its not working, I can see that this must be true (I need to brush up on ADS skills). However, I WAS able to select the group in the GPO editor so I assumed that it could work without creating an OU and moving computer accounts there.

But, if you did do as I had described, then you used what is called

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security group filtering. If the GPO carries computer section settings, and if you have removed Authenticated Users and replaced this with your custom group for the Read/Apply settings, then the GPO will be applied by machines that are members of that custom group, provided

- 1) the GPO is linked so that the computers are within its scope (i.e. linked to the domain, or to an OU that has the computer objects within or within a sub-OU of the link-point)
- 2) if the computers are in an OU, that OU is not blocking inheritance if the GPO is linked at site, domain, or a higher OU level
- 3) a later applied GPO does not reset the policy values – not a concern here where you are using (startup ?) script
- 4) things are working, that is, the machines are being healthy little domain members and GPO distribution is working

I am using one machine to test the script at the moment and rebooting it did not apply the update, however I have not tested the script locally on the machine from the Netlogon share because this is the only machine I can test without disrupting users at the moment.

No troubleshooting steps except for checking for log entries, however I am going to run the policy from an OU as opposed to the group and test it.

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Thanks, Jeff

"Roger Abell [MVP]" wrote:

So, you are having a startup or shutdown script run, as defined in a GPO that you have filtered by use of a security group that you defined having the machine accounts of W2k machines as members. This security filtered GPO you have then linked to the domain, or otherwise sufficiently high that all W2k machine objects are within its scope of application. Is this correct? Have the W2k machines rebooted (needed to see the new group membership as well as to cause the script to run)? If you place something simple in the script, like echo this junk > c:\text.txt can you verify that the script is running? If you log into one of the machines as an admin can you

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manually run the script sourced from the network location ?
What other troubleshooting step/info have you
taken/gathered?

Roger

"Jeff" <Jeff@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in
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Hello everyone,

Although our shop is mostly XP Pro, sp2
and 2003 servers, we have some
Windows 2000 Pro machines and 2
Windows 2000 Servers that require this
update. I've followed instructions in the
following KB article:

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/914387/en-us>

and all the scripts are setup and replicated,
yet none of my windows
2000
machines are getting the update. I have setup
a specific group for
Windows
2000 machines and created the GPO object
to run that script. We are
using
Windows 2003 servers running ADS.

Any ideas?

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Thanks, Jeff