

Re: 2003 Domain Password Policy with NT 4.0 Workstations

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Thanks for your prompt reply!

I don't want to apply a restrictive password policy to my users still running Windows NT 4.0, so would the following scenario work?

1. Modify the Default Domain Policy and remove the Account Policies/Password Policy settings.
2. Create a new GPO object and define the Account Policies/Password Policy settings here.
3. Define security so that the GPO with defined Account Policies/Password Policy settings is only processed by security group containing user accounts that have been migrated to Windows XP.

If this scenario would work, should this GPO be linked before or after the Default Domain Policy is processed?

Thanks!

"Derek Melber [MVP]" <derekm@braincore.net> wrote in message news:eh0nEED8DHA.2676@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

> *Yes it would, if they are authenticating to Active Directory. Remember, Account POLicies are not user or client computer based... they are DC based.*

> *They modify the DC to allow or disallow certain passwords. It is a filter on*

> *the DC that forces the rules. So, if a Windows NT Workstation is joined to*

> *the AD domain, it will adhere to the Account Policy that is in place on the*

> *domain.*

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> *Derek Melber*

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> *"Rob Lowe" <none> wrote in message*

> *news:OF4B69C8DHA.2028@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...*

> > *My client is in the process of migrating from Windows NT 4.0 SP6 with
the
> > AD-aware client to Windows XP SP1.
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> > We would like to apply a more stringent password policy to the domain to
> > force periodic password changes, retaining password history and
requiring
> > complex passwords.
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> > The question is: Would application of this password policy to all
> > Authenticated Users in the domain apply to users logging on from a
Windows
> > NT Workstation? (I believe that they would not since GPO's should not
be
> > processed by Windows NT computers, but I'm just looking for validation).
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> > Cheers!
> > -Rob
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