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Definitely agreed. I would contact the vendor and find out exactly what rights their service account needs then I would create them an account and delegate only those rights to it that they specify they require.

Definitely avoid giving domain admins to a service account if you can avoid it.

Phil

"Allen Firouz" wrote:

> *John:*

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> *I am always leery of making anyone a Domain Admin, especially an outside vendor. The ramifications can be huge and rarely good. Questions to ask from them is: why do they need Domain Admin rights? What tasks do they need to perform domain-wide? How does their system interface with AD?*

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> *Based on their feedback and with planning, you can create delegate specific control to them using the Delegate Control feature > custom and assigning specific rights to them. Additionally, you can create a custom MMC and distribut it to them that only gives them access to the servers they need and nothing more.*

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> *I would still recommend completely against Domain Admin access for outsiders.*

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> *-Allen Firouz*

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> *"John Taylor" wrote:*

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>> *Our company has purchased a medical software system which included 3 Dell servers. They say they need to have domain admin level access. We have given them local admin access on those 3 servers and are not too fond of giving them domain admin access as they would be able to access any of our network servers.*

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>> *Is there a way to give them domain admin level access but only somehow*

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> > *restrict them to those 3 servers?*

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> > *Thanks,*

> > *-John*

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