

## Re: Creating and AD domain

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Do not use a single label DNS/AD forest name.

Do not use the .local extension.

The recommendation is to take a sub zone of one of your already registered

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DNS names for your company (or a subzone of a new registered DNS name that you own).

It is that simple.

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Regards,

Mike

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