

## Re: Group Policy Question

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THANK YOU for taking the time to explain this to me. I will just live with what I have for now...

Thanks,  
Scott

"Cary Shultz" wrote:

- > Stosti,
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- > Bad choice for an example. You can have only one password policy per
- > domain. You can not have a different password policy linked to each OU.
- > This will not have the desired effect.
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- > Now, why did I write my response this way? Because you very much can have
- > a password GPO and link it to each OU. However, it will not affect any
- > domain user account objects that might be located in that OU. These user
- > account objects are under the Scope of Management of the password policy set
- > at the Domain level. What will fall under the Scope of Management of the
- > OU-linked password policies would be any local user accounts of any
- > computers that might also be located in these OUs. And, we are probably not
- > interested in something like this. Users generally do not have local user
- > accounts (meaning, local in the computer....they have the domain user
- > account objects).
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- > If you want to have different OUs and place the desired user account objects
- > in the appropriate OU in your new OU structure you can simply create and
- > link the desired GPO to the correct OU.
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- > How do you create a GPO and link it to an OU? There are basically two tools
- > for this: the ADUC and the GPMC. If you are using the ADUC MMC (Active
- > Directory Users and Computers) then you simply right click the OU in
- > question, select properties and then go to the Group Policy tab. There you
- > would click on new, give it a name (or, a Friendly Name in gpoesse) and you
- > have just created the GPO and linked it to that OU. Huh? But there is
- > nothing there. Correct, but you have created and linked. Now you need to
- > edit! So, click on the edit button and do your thing. Once you have done
- > this for this OU you would repeat the process for each OU.

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> I might suggest that you check out the GPMC. It is a really neat tool.  
> There are lots of articles on this. Please note that once you install the  
> GPMC you will not be able to use ADUC for purposes of creating/editing GPOs.  
> The GPMC takes that role over for good once installed.  
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> Now, please understand that when you create and link the GPO that you have  
> performed two separate functions. You have created the GPO and then linked  
> it to the desired OU. That GPO exists in Active Directory. You can use  
> that same GPO and link it to several OUs.  
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> Does this help you?  
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> --  
> Cary W. Shultz  
> Roanoke, VA 24012  
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> "stosti" <stosti@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
> <[news:C5B0F3B7-20A8-4F01-A57B-4B5881672B6A@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:C5B0F3B7-20A8-4F01-A57B-4B5881672B6A@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)>  
>> Today I have a default group policy for all of my users. I created a  
>> different O.U. for each department. Now I would like a different group  
>> policy per O.U. Do you have instructions for doing this?  
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>> Example I will set a different password policy per OU.  
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>> Thanks,  
>> Scott  
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