

# Least amount of privileges

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Hello,

I apologize if this is a novice question as I'm not too familiar with active directory and hope this is the appropriate place to post this.

We have a Windows 2000 Server that runs a 3rd party application that connects to our SQL Server 2000 that is running on this same server. Our users are getting to this 3rd party program through Terminal Services that is set up on this same Windows 2000 Server. Our users are currently members of ordinary Active Directory Domain Users. I notice recently that this 3rd party program allows users that use this program to create files and asks for folder locations, etc... which I'm a little weary about. In this case I'd like to limit these ordinary Active Directory Domain Users who are part of the Remote Desktop Users group that allows them to run the Terminal Services to only be able to run this 3rd party program that connects to the SQL Server 2000 database that is on this server and give them write/read access to only the 'C:\Program Files\3rd party application folder location\'. I was about to right click our server's C drive and remove the Active Directory ordinary Domain User group from the security tab but was second guessing in wondering if they would need some type of write, execute or some other privileges to the Windows and SQL Server system folders, files and subfolders and not have anything crash on them while they're connected through Terminal Services. I just want to give them the least amount of privileges on this server and only 1 folder that they can do their 3rd party writing/viewing permission to. Sorry if this sounds confusing or is too much detail but am hoping this is possible.

Thanks in advance.

John