

Re: Daylight Savings Time 2007 and Windows 2000 Server...

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Good points Joe, and I understand Microsoft's position about supporting old OSES. I agree that far fewer software companies support older versions of their software as well as Microsoft. But let's not forget one small detail: this change to the Daylight Savings Time algorithm was first enacted by the US Congress in August of 2005. Microsoft has had over a year and a half to not only develop a patch for this problem but to also thoroughly test it and develop the additional tools needed to make this transition seamless. A lot of the confusion that surrounds this problem stems from the lack of understanding as to how the patch works in conjunction with the additional tools. Furthermore, by releasing the patch and tools as close to the "zero hour" as they have, Microsoft has put IT staffs in a tough position, forcing support staffs that may not have the proper time to dedicate to understanding this problem to scramble to deploy a solution.

On Feb 7, 6:39 pm, "Joe Richards [MVP]" <humorexpr...@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

The KBs indicate how to manually update 2K.

I understand your frustration about not offering a patch for 2K, but MSF is also a business. At what point do they cut off that patch? Should they patch NT4? What about Windows ME? Windows 98? Windows 95? Windows 3.11 for workgroups? Windows 3.10? DOS 6? DOS 3? I have seen every one of those in production in one place or another in the last couple of years still.

There has to be a line somewhere and the logical line is on the publicly documented support lifetime for the product. Also consider that this isn't a Microsoft problem. This is due to the governments making arbitrary changes based on whatever they feel like making changes for say like Australia and the Olympics... Some countries have it much worse off than the US, go chat with people from Israel for awhile about DST and how it is calculated there... (See <http://webexhibits.org/daylightsaving/g.html>)

No other company is going out and updating all of their old unsupported

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OSes either. It isn't financially feasible to do so. Heck in some circles you don't even get automated updates, you get patch instructions and you go work it out yourself.

On the positive side Microsoft did give you directions for how to manually patch 2K. If they were trying to, as you say, foist a new OS on you, they wouldn't have provided that info and just said buy a new OS.

This is going to get worse and worse for you while you are on 2K. You have a couple of options. 1. Live with it. 2. Upgrade to a newer version of Windows. 3. Upgrade to something else. You can rail against it all day but that doesn't have any chance of putting you in any better position. Maybe you will find it easier on alternate OSes to get your patches. Personally I don't expect you will and I don't expect you have the time to deal with everything you will get to start dealing with with some of the alternates.

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NewMan wrote:

I already did a Google, and I did not find any reference to a configuration such as mine where Windows 2000Server was the heart of the network. There were others where the PDC was Windows 2003server, with other W2K servers in the forest, but my small network has ONLY the W2KServer.

I just checked my desktop system, and KB928388 was applied to my Desktop in mid-December.

So I tested by manually modifying the time, and the desktop performs correctly.

So I will presume that if I use tzedit and manually patch the server that it will also display the time properly.

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I think Micro\$haft should have made a W2Kserverpatch available – extended life crap be damned. We are a small company, and we cannot afford to throw the baby out with the bath water simply because MicroSoft feels that it is time to raid our corporate wallet by trying to foist yet anotherserver/ O/S upon us.

On Tue, 6 Feb 2007 18:37:32 +0100, "Erik Cheizoo"
<echeizoo.XenD...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Only performing this on theserverdoes not cut it.
You have to deploy the new time zone (which consists of a bunch of reg keys) to all clients as well.
Search this newsgroup, the question has been answered about 15 times in the last 3 weeks– Hide quoted text –

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