

Re: Changing the Domain Administrator password – advice please

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I have already started making those changes. Thanks.

"A, Deji" <deji@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Rather than looking for the safe way to correctly change the admin password without impacting service, I'd suggest that you revisit your design and processes and make sure that there is NO service or process using that account for anything. You may hear or read that xyz application/tool must be run in the context of the built-in admin. If you come across any such document or advice, you can safely ignore it.

Deji

"Saucer Man" <saucerman@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Thanks!

"jwd" <jwd@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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It is the same as changing a password on any other user account. The only thing you have to be careful of is what services, scheduled jobs etc it might be running. It looks like you have already considered this however.

One piece of advice is to use different accounts to run your services. This would make this process easier in the future. Plus do the all services

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really need to run with Domain Administrator privileges?

Best Regards
Joe Dunn
MCSE, CCNA

"Saucer Man" wrote

We need to change the domain administrator password. Can anyone provide some advice on the best way to do this? We have a 2003 AD domain with 2 DCs and 4 member servers. I know there are some services that are logging on with the domain password that I need to track down.

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Thanks!