

Re: WINS needed in 2003?

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I have a question along the same lines hope no one minds. If we do have multiple subnets is it recommended that there is a wins server on each end of the subnet or will just one suffice? If there is multiple wins servers required anyone know of a good website that explains that type of setup? Not trying to interrupt but figured a good place. TIA

Kevin D. Goodknecht Sr. [MVP] wrote:

Read inline please.

In news:EA2B935E-EC04-43AC-80D0-1FC4975AA335@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx, study <study@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> typed:

Thank you for your response.
I've never published shared folders in active directory before. The instructions in doing so seems to be straight forward but the problem is we have hundreds of shard folders.

Publishing shares in Active Directory is still the best way to go because XP has the ability to search AD for shares. You can save Active Directory shared folder searches in the Profile's Nethood folder and get the equivalent as browsing across subnets.

We do have multiple subnets. All our clients are XP or later. So without WINS and without publishing the shared folders in AD, would we have isseus because we're not using WINS?

With that many shares, WINS would be a practical necessity if you don't publish you shares in AD because it would be impossible to map all shares to network drives. You would therefore need the ability for users to browse network places for the shares they want.