

Re: Replacing Win2000 Domain controllers

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Hello SilvrT,

Normally you can rename a computer in the domain without any problem, maybe the account did not have the correct rights in AD. Anyway ofcourse you can remove it and add it again if you have problems. If you remove it give time for replication and also check that all entries from the DNS management console are deleted and also from the DNS zone properties under the Name server tabs, if it was a DNS server.

If you have run adprep command and moved the FSMO roles after it, it should be fine. But check with adsiedit.msc from the support tools, that you have to install from the installation disk\support\tools. Start adsiedit and go to Schema, on the right pane you see CN=Schema,..... rightclick it, open properties and in 2003 server scroll down in the list to "objectVersion", the number under Value will show you the Schema version, 13 server 2000, 30 server 2003 and 31 server 2003 R2. In 2000, select for the view BOTH and select the property to view "objectVersion", under the attribute Values you can see the Version from the Schema.

Best regards

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demoting OK, removing not necessary. If it is demoted without errors and it is moved to Computers Container, just give some time for replication and i would also check DNS console if it was DNS server and you deinstalled it. If it is demoted you can rename without problem in the domain.

hmmmmm... well, I've tried renaming computers in the domain before and I wasn't able to. I had to disjoin them first, reboot, change the name, reboot, join the domain, and reboot again. Was it maybe because I was logged onto them within the domain rather than to the local PC?

Adprep has to be run before promoting the first 2003 DC on the schema

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Yes, I would already have done this when I left the "old" ccentre2 in the forest and moved the FSMO roles, etc to it but in my scenari