

Re: removed computer, add back, not on connectclient list

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Jim,

I don't think you will be able to reconnect the user automatically using the same profile.

I have had similar issues and here is what I did and it works fine to copy the settings.

What you should do is reconnect the computer and set the user with a new profile. Then logon to the workstation as that user to initialize a new account. Then logoff and logon to the workstation as the local administrator. As the local admin go to My Computer->Local Drive->Documents and Settings (make sure you have the folder settings set to show all files including hidden and system files under Tools ->Options). If the user name was John Smith, the local computer was JS, you will probably see a number of folders such as:

Administrator
All Users
JSmith
JSmith.JS

Check the sizes and dates of the 2 JSmith folders, one is the original profile and will contain all of the settings and data and one is the newly created one which is now active (likely JSmith.JS is new one). Copy all of the contents of the old folder (JSmith) to the new one (JSmith.JS). Logoff as administrator, logon again as local user and settings should be restored.

I don't know if this is the "best way" to accomplish this, you could also use the file and settings transfer wizard, but this worked for me.

"Jim Spicer" <Jim@spicer-baer.com> wrote in message
news:u\$R3gbw8DHA.2576@TK2MSFTNGP11.phx.gbl...
> *Hi,*

microsoft.public.windows.server.sbs: Re: removed computer, add back, not on connectclient list

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> *New install sbs 2003, with ISA installed.*
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> *While fighting an email send from fire, we fixed it but the Internet
> connection stopped working. So we removed the computer from the network
and
> are trying to add it back.*
>
> *Using the same computer name we added it back on sbs console. Logon to the
> client computer using the administrator account, we run
> <http://>/connectclient>.*
>
> *We get the right screen with a network users list to add to the computer
> about to be added/configured.*
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> *There is a message about existing profiles and if you want to migrate
them,
> etc.*
>
> *We try to add back the user to the computer. When we click Next, the
> succeeding screen does not have the computer name listed. We have tried
this
> a few times with same result.*
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> *We thought maybe we could re-name the machine and start over. At the
client
> computer when we try and rename, it asks for an authenticated network user
to
> rename the machine. We supply the sbs administrator account logon...after
a
> time it comes back and says it can't find that user in the network.*
>
> *I'm kind of stumped! Has someone experienced and can point me in the right
> direction to get this box back on the network.*
>
> *Thanks for any help,
> Jim Spicer*
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