

RE: SQL Set to System Account – Sharepoint Question

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Lesia,

Although Lee has attempted to answer your question, I hope he won't mind if I respond differently.

First, I doubt you are asking your question correctly... I'm pretty sure you're referring to the SA (which generally is said to stand for "SQL Administration", not System Account) account.

The app may or may not have reasons to at least run with SA permissions..., generally to initially create a database and the supporting database structures outside of the database itself.

But, if the app installation doesn't need to do that initially and <definitely> after the installation there isn't normally any reason to continue to run using SA permissions.

My recommendation:

If you must grant SA permissions, install a completely separate instance of SQL, don't use an instance being used for anything else.

<Ask> the App Support people why SA is required. If it's needed for installation, ask them if the app will run using a non-SA account thereafter, even if the accounts needs to be assigned the dbo role (which essentially gives it super user permissions but only within the database).

As for conflicts with MSDE and a later upgrade to SQL, if you keep the new application's database completely separate offhand I don't see how you will run into any kind of problem. If you decide to use the same SQL instance for an SBS app and your new app, although not a critical step I'd generally recommend upgrading first to make life easier for yourself.

HTH,
Tony

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""Lee Li[MSFT]"" wrote:

- > Dear Lesa,
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- > Thank you for posting.
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- > This is Lee and I am glad to meet you in the newsgroup again.
- > You will NOT get any problems if you set the SQL server to be started at
- > the System Account.
- > After you had installed the SBS 2003 on the computer, a MSDE will be
- > installed on the computer automatically.
- > The MSDE is a simple version of SQL server and is used by the Sharepoint.
- > By default, the MSDE service is started in the System Account.
- > So it will be no problem for you to move the sharepoint DB to the SQL
- > server installed on this computer which was started at the System Account.
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- > By the way, for detail steps to move the sharepoint DB, please take a look
- > at the following URL:
- > http://download.microsoft.com/download/1/1/6/11671e4d-fb21-489c-870f-db36fd21a7d2/SBS_MoveDataFolders.DOC
- >
- > Hope the above information helps. Have a nice day!
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