

Re: WINS – Do I need to bother with it?

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The way I look at it...if netdiag and dcdiag both complain if its missing, then it should be there :)

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"BA" <BA@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:1F7E1BF8-0D54-4383-8D0C-B7B5745DCF01@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
>I never even use it for Exchange; I look at it as another potential point
>of
> failure. If DNS is correctly configured for your .local domain (getting
> info
> from AD), your clients only need to be setup to use NetBios over TCP/IP to
> see and access resources. There might be a compelling reason to use WINS,
> but
> I don't know what it is.
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> "Matt Gibson" wrote:
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>> AFAIK, WINS is needed for Exchange at the least.
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>> "Bryan L" <blinton.nospam@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
>> <news:OVAixY9iFHA.2644@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
>> >I recently promoted a member server to be an additional DC in my SBS
>> >2003
>> >network. When I ran DCPromo on the new DC, the wizard strongly
>> >suggested
>> >that the WINS service be installed and configured as well. I did so,
>> >and
>> >iirc I also made sure WINS was installed and running on my SBS. I'm now
>> >getting errors in my event logs about WINS replication failing. Before
>> >I
>> >bother running down those errors and trying to correct them I want to
>> >ask
>> >the group here...do I even need WINS running in a Server 2003 domain?

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>> >If
>> >DNS is working correctly, wouldn't I be safe in removing the WINS
>> >service
>> >from both the SBS and the additional DC? I would think so, but thought
>> >it
>> >best to check before changing things.
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>> > Thanks,
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>> > Bryan
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