

Re: Outlook over http problems

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The hosts file is in (windows directory)\system32\drivers\etc

The file name is "hosts" without an extension.

You should back it up before doing anything to it. Then open it in notepad. By default it includes some comment lines telling you how to customize it.

It is also not a bad idea to set it to read-only after editing it.

But if you have a dynamic IP address it won't do you any good. The best way is to have a registered domain name, a fixed public IP address, and a CNAME record in your domain's zone file that points to that IP address. For example, www.mydomain.com may point to the IP address of your web server on a hosting service, but ofc.mydomain.com may point to the public IP address for your SBS. When you create your certificate, you specify that it applies to ofc.mydomain.com.

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"Dave Hambly" <DaveHambly@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:00BCBEE6-E9CC-42C4-B572-EB6D1F61EA0F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Thanks for your help Steve and Mariette – much appreciated!

I read through the first link that you gave me, Mariette, and on the third page I came across this paragraph which may be at the root my problem:

'If you got a static IP address from your ISP but not a registered domain name, you should still provide a common name to the certificate, you will later need to overcome the name resolution issue by creating a hosts file on the client computer to translate the specified common name to the ISP IP address'

Thing is – now I can't find any information as to how one creates the hosts file! Any ideas?

I feel I'm getting close now – fingers crossed. Thanks again – you guys are awesome.

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"Mariette Knap [SBS MVP]" wrote:

In

news:E49CA35F-C264-4F4F-AD9B-97785CEB4E92@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx,

Dave Hambly <DaveHambly@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

- > Been trying without success to set this up but getting frustrated –
- > running SBS 2003 Premium which is working fine in all other respects.
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- > I have just discovered that I have to Enable RPC over HTTP
- > Communication on Exchange before it'll work. When I go to the
- > Exchange System Manager and open 'Servers', 'my server' and
- > 'properties', I find that the 'RPC-HTTP front-end server is greyed
- > out and I can only select the 'Not part of an Exchange Managed
- > RPC-HTTP topology' – which doesn't sound very encouraging.
- >
- > If I try to select 'RPC-HTTP back-end server' it just, less than
- > cheerfully, informs me that I haven't even got a front-end server. (I
- > know this!!)

You only need to run the CEICW:

Configuring SBS 2003 for RPC over HTTP:

<http://www.smallbizserver.net/Default.aspx?tabid=266&articleType=ArticleView&articleId=57>

How to configure the server for Internet access:

<http://www.smallbizserver.net/Default.aspx?tabid=266&ArticleType=ArticleView&ArticleID=100&P>

How to use remote web workplace:

<http://www.smallbizserver.net/Default.aspx?tabid=266&articleType=ArticleView&articleId=101>

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