

RE: Remove Folder Redirection

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Hello John,

Thank you for posting to the SBS Newsgroup.

I understand that you reverse the File Redirection Group Policy. If I have misunderstood your concern, please let me know.

Please take your time to read through my reply and then perform the steps:

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If there are a large number of clients that need to restore their "My Documents" folders back to their local user profile location, we can choose the second option "Redirect the folder back to the local userprofile location when policy is removed".

We may use the following steps:

1. Create a new GPO.
2. Configure the "Folder Redirection" policy to redirect the "My Documents" folders to the same network share as the the previous GPO.
3. On the "My Documents Properties" window, click the Settings tab.
4. Select the "Redirect the folder back to the local userprofile location when policy is removed" option box, and click OK.
5. On the client, please refresh the group policy settings by logging of and logging on the system again.
6. On the domain controller, delete the GPO created and configured in Step 1~Step 4.
7. Log off and log on the client system to see if the problem has been solved.

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If the amount of clients is not large, we can manually copy My Document folder back to client workstation:

1. On the client workstation, take the workstation offline. Copy the content from My Document to folder on local drive (Recommended: C:\Documents and Settings\[User]\My Documents). Since the computer is offline, it will copy the content from offline cache and it will not occupy the network resource.
2. On the SBS server, open Server management and navigate to Group Policy Management Console.
3. Right click the Group Policy Object which you enabled Folder Redirection and click Edit.
4. Navigate to User Configuration\Windows Settings\Folder Redirection\My Documents. Right click My Document and click Properties.
5. In the Settings tab, Click to select "Leave the folder in the new Location when policy is removed". Click Apply.
6. In the Target tab, Click Combo box next to "Setting:" and select "Not configured". Click OK.
7. Log on the Client workstation in to the domain.
8. Right click My Documents and click properties
9. Click Move button.
10. Choose the local folder that you copy the content in the Step #1. Click Apply.
11. You will be prompted with dialog "Would you like to move all of the document?". Please click NO.
12. Click OK

Hope it helps! if you have any updates, please feel free to let me know. I am looking forward to hearing from you!

Best regards,

Brandy Nee

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For urgent issues, you may want to contact Microsoft CSS directly. Please check <http://support.microsoft.com> for regional support phone numbers.

Any input or comments in this thread are highly appreciated.

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Newsgroups: microsoft.public.windows.server.sbs
Subject: Remove Folder Redirection
Date: 2 Mar 2006 10:18:54 -0800
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Lines: 44
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About a year ago I was provide instructions on how to redirect the "My Documents" folder on my PC only to the network:

1. Create a new Security Group and place the user(s) that you want to redirect the My Documents folder for in the security group.
2. Open the Group Policy Management console.
3. Right click on the Default Domain Policy , and then click Edit .
4. Click User Configuration , click Windows Settings , and then click Folder Redirection.
5. Right-click My Documents Folder , and then click Properties.
6. In the Settings box, click Advanced – Specify the location for various user groups, and then click Add .
7. Click the Browse button next to the Security Group Membership box, and then click the security group that you created in Step 1 from the domain list.
8. Click Target Location Folder , and then use a UNC path to the location where you want the My Documents folder to be located.
9. Click the Settings tab. By default, both of the following settings are enabled:
When enabled, the Grant the user exclusive rights to My Documents check box sets permissions on the folder for the User and System to full permissions.
If you click to clear the check box, no change is made to the permissions on the folder. When enabled, the Move the contents of My Documents to the new location check box moves the contents to the new location. If you click to clear the check box, then the contents remain where they are.
10. In the Policy Removal box, click either Leave the folder in the new location when the policy is removed, or Redirect the folder back to the local userprofile location when the policy is removed. By default, the first option is selected.
11. Click Apply , click OK , and then quit Group Policy Editor.
12. Bring up a CMD prompt and type "GPOupdate /force"
12. Have the user(s) log off and then log on again.

These instructions worked great. I would now like to put everything back to the way it was so I attempted to follow these instruction in reverse but the folder and files are still being redirected.

If anyone knows what I might be doing wrong or could provide proper instructions in reverse it would be greatly appreciated :-)

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John