

Re: SBS 2003 R2 Install

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What Gav is describing sounds a lot like Swing Migration. You will find many many disciples of this process on this newsgroup.

www.swingmigration.com

"ChrisW" <ChrisW@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:DDE2DC93-E816-4521-B349-590BCA0E2FA8@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Many thanks Gav, wow it does look like a long process. Plus I don't have a spare 3rd machine. I only have 5 clients who only use the old sbs box for mail, so what I'd planned was to set up the new sbs box exactly the same as the old one, take each clients e-mail and put it into personal folders on each client, then log off each client, then just remove the old sbs box from the lan and replace it with the new box. Trouble is my new box wants to be connected to the lan to continue the install! Any other ideas?

"GavG" wrote:

Sorry Chris, forgot to mention you need to finish the normal sbs setup on the new machine after you have replicated with and removed the temp DC. If you end up doing it this way don't start without getting some further instructions on the step by step processes as it would be fairly easy to get one step wrong and have to start again or worse still mess something up on your production environment. Let me know if you need any more info.

"GavG" wrote:

Chris, I have done something similar with a migration from sbs2000 to sbs2003

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which works well, the only problem being you need a spare 3rd machine to add into the existing domain, replicate ad and then take off the production lan. Once this is done you need to tidy up AD and take out all references to the original SBS box (ntdsutil), seize all fsmo roles and make sure that the temp dc thinks its in charge, the final step is to do a base build on your final new server but do not install sbs fully, interrupt at the end of the windows 2003 server setup, ensure it is named exactly the same as your original box, same IP etc, then add it to the test lan containing your tempdc, then follow the same procedure as before, promote to a dc, replicate and once your happy all ad info is there and replicated, remove the temp dc. Seize all fsmo roles on the replacement, cleanup ad again, removing references to the temp dc. Then is all you have left to do is migrate data and exchange, which I did by tape as per a normal offline restore of exchange. Take a client off the production lan and boot it onto a test lan to ensure it logs on OK and brings up exchange. Sounds a long process I know but if done properly it will allow you to retain all ad info, computer accounts, use the same name for your server so unc paths are retained etc. Hope that helps.

"ChrisW" wrote:

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I am installing R2 onto a brand new server, which is currently not connected

to our network which already has a SBS 2003 SP1 server running DHCP on it.

I want to set up the new server exactly as the existing one (same server

name, same domain etc and then just turn off the old one, use the new one),

but the install wants me to connect the new server to the network so that it

can continue.... Isnt this going to create problems on the network?

Is there

an easy way around this? Thanks in anticipation.