

Re: New Server, What to do?

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You can't have 2 SBServers in the same domain, so if you're asking can it be a "Hot Replica" the answer is no.

You could have it as a "Cold Server" then Fire it up with restored backup data & updated patches in the event of a failure of the 840.

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Henry Craven {SBS-MVP}

"Jason" <Jason@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:5D3FA9AA-66FB-4BCE-BA57-35825A55B163@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Thanks for the info.

I think I will re-build from scratch. We only have 20 users so its not a massive operation to rebuild the AD and configure the clients again. I have alot of time to get it all working.

One last thing though, is it possible to have the old 830 running as a backup when the new 840 is in place?

"Larry Struckmeyer" wrote:

Hi Jason:

I feel you pain. :-)

IMHO, you have three choices.

1. Create the new domain from scratch, backup and restore your data, export and import your exchange data.
very painful. Very!
2. Use a hardware independent imaging product such as shadow protect.
much less painful
3. Use the information you can purchase from www.swingmigration.com

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much less painful

the choice between 2 and 3 is sort of "ladies choice" at this point. I have done both, and both work.

BTW, you cannot install Windows OEM on a new computer, which may further limit your choice to #3 above.

Larry Struckmeyer

"Jason" <Jason@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:B1657625-B847-441F-AE02-47C5556F36E7@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

> Hi

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> Current Setup:

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> - I have 1 SBS server running as our central server in a 20 client
> environment. Backing up is done using Dat27 tapes. It is a dell power
> edge
> 830.

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> - I have just purchased a power edge 840 with the intention of > replacing
> the
> 830 but keeping the 830 it as a backup server should the 840 fail. The
> hardware config on each server is different.

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> - I need to build the new server in such a way that it is identical in
> functionality to the existing one with all the users, exchange details > etc.

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> - The advice I am looking for is what would be the best way to approach
> this. I know that I cant simple do a restore from the backup tapes to > a
> differently configured machine, so how would YOU do it?

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> If you need any further details, please dont hesitate to ask.

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> Cheers

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> Jason