

Re: Migrating SBS 2003 To new hardware – Need Help!

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Jim – I have also used the swing migration kit, and I highly recommend it. I used it to migrate a SBS box to new hardware with 60 user accounts, approx 80 workstation accounts, including Exchange and network printers. Started on a friday afternoon and by Saturday evening I was done. That left me sunday for testing logons, printers and workstations. Everything in my case at least, worked flawlessly, This kit even includes a fall back plan. One note though, you have to follow the kits instructions and do your prep work properly in order to insure the migration works. Overall a very easy and concise process to follow.

Good Luck,
Roman

"Jim" wrote:

This is a one time migration and I don't anticipate migrating this site or any other site to new hardware. Is it worth purchasing the software and learning the software to migrate one site? If the consensus is yes, I may try it after dealing with this messy situation...

Thanks – Jim

"Charlie Russel – MVP" <charlie@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:96A60BF0-309C-4EFD-9C20-7486FC85627F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Honestly, the MS migration strategy isn't what I would use in the first place. I've done a few Swing Migrations (www.sbsmigration.com) and it's a far superior way to go.

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Charlie.
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"Jim" <Jim@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:56A8295A-2900-47A3-B767-743F03470482@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

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Thanks – the frustrating thing about this is this is my first SBS migration.

I wasn't sure what to expect so I took it as far I could before contacting the third party vendor. As I mentioned, they purchased licenses for both servers with the new licenses on a Select Agreement. There should be a cleaner way out of this for customers trying to do the right thing.

MSoft – if you are listening – this is a problem! As a minimum, please add a warning in Technet article regarding the 14 days. I read it before starting and didn't see it. If it is in there, please make it more prominent. Also, there should be a way to contact Msoft to reset the timer if this happens. Taking down an office every hour to prove a point doesn't seem reasonable – especially when your customer has purchased everything you want them to.

"Cliff Galiher" wrote:

Nope, not funny at all. But yes, you can reverse all of the steps in step 2 and remove the new server from the network. That will prevent the rebooting. Make sure your roles transfer BACK to the old server before removing the new machine from the domain and you'll be fine. Just go slow and steady, and make backups.

As far as the 4 or 5 hours, honestly that is not a lot of time in the scope of a whole server migration. Yeah, it is time lost, but you should really be planning on dedicating two working days

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(or more if this is your first time) to the migration...and you should do it all at once. Leaving both servers on the network for an extended period of time is just asking for various components to get out of sync...

–Cliff

"Jim"

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wrote in message

news:6E8B18CF-00C6-4E80-BF9F-E137B032732A@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Sorry for this, but I really need some advice... I am moving an old SBS 2003 installation to new hardware (with new licenses). I am following the Technet whitepaper "Migrating Windows Small Business Server 2003 to New Hardware".

I completed Step 2 of the white paper and was waiting for "Line of Business" application developer to set a date of when they can be on site to move their application before I proceeded to migrate Exchange.

In the mean time, the server started rebooting today every hour with event codes 1001, 1012, 1011. The event codes say that I am in violation of EULA since I have two SBS servers in the same domain

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(following the instructions from Technet as described in the white paper above). It appears that there is a two week limit on having two domain controllers on the same SBS Domain!

So... with my customer's application server rebooting every hour (this really isn't funny – Nagware at its worst!), does anyone have a suggestion?

– Is there a way to lengthen or reset the timer? Two more weeks would do it.

– Can I reverse the steps in the white paper and restart when the vendor is

ready? This would be painful as the original process took 4 – 5 hours to get

this far (the old hardware is lacking).

– Proceeding with the installation cannot occur for a couple of days, which means the Doctor's office server will reboot 20 – 30 times...

Thanks for any and all advice...

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