

Re: Registry Change to 6 services_denied

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Hopefully you'll see this and respond. I had spaced and was able to do what I needed using GP... But now I've run into a new issue that requires a global registry change (of about 1500 computers). remoting into each or walking up to each is out of the question... I've taken your previously supplied example and can get it to do ALMOST everything I need... except enter the correct password. It creates the "pwd.txt" with the correct password in it, but the change I'm trying to implement failes: "1326 Logon failure: unknown user name or password." I know that it is using the correct username – the account lockout policy jumps into effect and I have to unlock the account I'm using w/in A.D. I also know that the password is correct. I made an attempt to create an OU that Blocks Policy inheritance and even went so far as to tell it that there is NO minimum password length (we have a minimum # of characters) in an attempt to use NO password, as much as I don't like that thought. I will be changing the username throughout this deployment AND using an absurd cluster of letters/numbers as both the username & password and then deleting when done... so I'm not concerned about those possible issues (or at least not enough to not do this :). If I remove the "autoentering" password piece and type the password, it works... it's just a matter of getting it to accept the password automatically. PLEASE HELP !!!

"Gaurhoth" wrote:

Quickest that comes to mind is:

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@echo off
REM Scripting RunAs Example.
echo Password > pwd.txt
runas /user:domain\username cmd.exe < pwd.txt
del pwd.txt
echo done
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Having given the example, I strongly suggest you find some alternative way to accomplish this. After re-reading, it looks like you are just trying to force certain services to a specific startup type. This is the kind of thing that Group Policies are made for. If you look under Computer Configuration > Windows Settings > Security Settings > System Services of a group policy,

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you'll see that you can configure any of the common system services to whatever state you want to. You avoid handing out admin credentials to everyone on your network and accomplish similar goals.

gaurhoth

"IT Jeff" <ITJeff@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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I tried to run the script at both startup and shutdown... but the change doesn't seem to take effect. All I'm trying to do is import 6 registry changes from a file-server... While I'm against embedding a username/password – at this point I'm willing to do it just to get this accomplished! I'd obviously come up with some ridiculously complicated password just in case the script does run visible (which it doesn't), but I can't get it to accept the embedded pswd... it wants to ask for one... please keep in mind that I'm doing this as either a batch file or a .cmd file... can you provide an example?

thanks.
"Gaurhoth" wrote:

To the best of my knowledge, Logon/Logoff scripts will run with the logged on users' permission levels... short of 'scripting' a runas command which would mean embedding the elevated accounts password (BAD)... I don't know of any way to accomplish this with logon/logoff script.

Alternatives are 1) Remotely connect to the registry from a central server using an account that has administrative rights on the workstations. 2) Deploy a Startup/Shutdown script via Group Policy. These run at computer boot and shutdown (not logon/logoff) and run under SYSTEM account which has permission to make the registry changes you mention.

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I've written a logoff script to import a few registry changes on every machine in our AD2000 network. Low-Level users are prohibited from making these changes. Win2K gives errors, WinXP doesn't give errors, but it doesn't make the changes either. I am changing several services from "Manual" or "Disabled" to "Automatic". Users with minimal permissions are getting errors (all 6 changes are failing). I have tried to utilize everything I can think of, but even RunAs requires the user to enter a password... I cannot have this. I have been unable to get the script to autofill the password and accept. Any advice you can offer would be GREATLY appreciated.

If possible, I would first like to determine if the parameters I want to change NEED to be changed. If not, I would like to end the script.

I would be using a .bat or.cmd script.

Or if you can suggest another way to accomplish this I'd be grateful.

Startup/Shutdown scripts won't work either.

Thanks in advance!!
Jeff

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