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Thanks for the responses everyone!

(1) This particular TS server is not within an AD domain, so GPMC doesn't apply unfortunately. Seems like a great tool.

(2) I tried putting IfMember into a batch file, as follows:

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@REM Launch MyProgram except if Administrator  
  
@"c:\Program Files\Resource Kit\ifmember.exe" Administrators  
@if errorlevel 1 GOTO DONE  
@REM Notice that the syntax here is the opposite to normal in that  
%ERRORLEVEL% = 1 = Success.  
@REM With most other commands %ERRORLEVEL% = 1 = Fail/Error  
"c:\program files\MyProgram\MyProgram.exe"  
:DONE  
  
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I then designate this batch file run by using the Group Policy Editor on the TS Server:

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Problem is, TS will terminate the session right after the batch file runs -- which, in the case of the Administrator, terminates the session right away (instead of dumping the user to the desktop)! I guess I should have foreseen this; obvious in hindsight.

(3) I think I can now sharpen the issue. The TS group policy to "start a program on connection" has two very desirable behaviors (in my situation anyway)

- a) It does not let the user get to the TS desktop and do random stuff
- b) When the user exits the program, the TS session terminates automatically

BUT, it seems that (without GPMC), you can't customize these TS policies by group.

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On the other hand, if I just use a standard logon script to launch my desired program for some users, I don't get (a) and (b) above.

I thank you for your suggestions so far, and I wonder if you have any more!

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Hi all,

Windows 2003 Server TS question. I would like to configure TS to launch a certain program automatically for all users in a certain group, but NOT if the administrator (or other non-group members) connect. I can't figure out how to accomplish this, can some kind soul point the way?

Thanks!

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