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MattShell wrote:

Wow Oskar,

Quite the response, have you had some trouble with TS?

well, let's say I've been doing this a while (since NT4 days).

I've seen windows evolve from expensive piece of garbage to unreliable piece... to OK.

You're lucky if you haven't had printing problems. Maybe this is just on win2k3. Even then, windows doesn't load every printer driver out there.

You're very lucky if you haven't seen application problems on terminal server. Most IT people (experienced - 10+ years) hear terminal server and associate it with applications crashing, etc.

Thank you for enthusiasm. You must be new at this or you're doing something the rest of us don't know about to stay so enthusiastic about this stuff!

cheers,

Oskar

I would agree with his quotes on the memory and the processors. Although I don't know you need two if you get a Core Duo machine. We run with 4 logical processors at 2.8 as I have stated and that gets the job done very well.

Everything else, in my opinion, might be more personal experience than what is actually the way it is. I have had no problems with printers and I have used both network printers and those redirected through the client. And as far as applications are concerned, there probably are some that are not TS

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aware, but in my opinion, Windows Server 2003 handles them very nicely as I have had none that could not be made to work and I have run some strange applications on TS in my time.

If you need help just ask, I would be happy to lend a hand, and Oskar, if you need help please make a post and let's talk about the problems you are having. If I don't know the answer, I bet someone on this board does.

Matt

"news" wrote:

Twinstar wrote:

Hello All,

Newbie here who has been given the task to spec out a server to run Microsoft Terminal Server 2003. The company has 22 users and they plan to use this server to access their SBS system. Since I've never worked with TS let alone installed, I have no clue as to what is recommended.

Any advice is greatly appreciated.

thanks!

Troy

wow,  
you need to start reading up quick.

usually, you figure about 150–200mb per user. so for about 20 users, 4gb of ram is a good rule. You have to be careful of what applications people want to run on TS, it's not a good idea to run anything on there. Please verify if the application works on TS.

Will all 22 be online at the same time? If so, get a strong CPU (2 or more is very nice). If not, single strong cpu should be fine.

Printing is another headache. I hope you have network printers!

Good luck,

Oskar

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