

# Re: terminal server access on a domain controller

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I was too quick in saying that this worked, it's working but now when I log this user in to their office desktop, I have the same restrictions – one of them being that they can't access their local drives.

"John Bowden" wrote:

thanks for the information. that worked

"Vera Noest [MVP]" wrote:

Disclaimer: I haven't tested this on a DC.

The mechanism to solve this problem is called "loopback processing" of the GPO.

You'll find it here in your GP editor:

Computer Configuration – Administrative Templates – System – Group Policy

"User Group Policy loopback processing mode" – "Replace"

231287 – Loopback Processing of Group Policy

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=231287>

Note that using the policy setting to hide the local drives is just a cosmetic thing. It does *\*not\** provide any security and it does *\*not\** lock your users out of the local drives. They will still show up in nearly every programs "Save as.." or "File Open.." dialog, as well as from a command window.

So be sure that you check your NTFS permissions on the file system, and whatever you do, do not give these users elevated user rights.

And besides the CALs, you will need TS CALs as well.

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TS troubleshooting: <http://ts.veranoest.net>

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<JohnBowden@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote on 18 jun 2007 in  
microsoft.public.windows.terminal\_services:

I have a site that has purchased one server. We have since  
discovered that we need a few of the users to access the  
server  
remotely using RDP through terminal services. Now I know