

Security Explorer®

The complete Windows permissions management solution

Organizations keep data in many places, including Microsoft SQL Server databases, Exchange mailboxes, SharePoint sites and file servers, as well as maintain access to these resources within Active Directory (AD). Managing access to these resources is critical to ensuring security and compliance with internal policies and government regulations. But effective permissions management is difficult because of the way security is layered between these various platforms — many of which include AD objects along with their own security protocols.

Relying on native management interfaces and complex command-line utilities to manage access across various technologies is time consuming and error prone — and may even be impossible in many environments.

Quest® Security Explorer® delivers a unified solution for complete access control and security management across your entire Windows network. You

can back up, recover, manage, search, migrate and report on permissions for AD, Windows Server, Exchange Server, SharePoint Server and SQL Server — all from a common graphical user interface.

FEATURES

Manage — Don't open a dozen management consoles — Windows Explorer, Active Directory Users and Computers (ADUC) and more — just to manage permissions. Security Explorer enables you to grant, revoke, modify and clone permissions, all from a single easy-to-use console. You don't have to worry about changing permissions for individual resources and objects because you can modify permissions at the server level from a single solution. You can also force permissions onto protected objects in order to overcome “access denied” errors.

Search — Quickly find who has access to what. With Security Explorer, you can



Security Explorer centralizes and simplifies permissions management, eliminating the need to use different native tools and command-line utilities to secure online resources.

“Having Security Explorer in place immediately saved our staff over 40 hours' worth of manual digging to find information.... It was a must-have for us!”

Pamela Andringa, Service Support Manager, WCI

BENEFITS:

- Centralizes permissions management to a single console
- Simplifies permissions management by eliminating the need to use multiple tools and utilities
- Improves visibility into users and permissions
- Enables you to achieve and maintain compliance

easily locate over privileged users and identify users who lack access they need. You can search for permissions by group membership, resources and claim types.

Recover — Back up and recover permissions without affecting the data those permissions apply to. Data remains available, servers remain online and users remain productive. You can create access control baselines and reinvent them at any time, as well as easily roll back accidental or malicious changes to ensure that you remain compliant. You can even restore permissions to the same resources on another server or location.

Report — Create ad hoc security reports to facilitate auditing or troubleshooting. Security Explorer enables you to export search results (such as a list of permissions on items anywhere in the Windows server) to a database or spreadsheet, so you can meet almost any requirement. Security Explorer also includes a variety of built-in reports that enable you to easily review permissions assignments, group membership and more. For example, you can produce a complete list of everything a user has permission to — even through group membership — or show only permissions that differ from a parent folder.

Integrate with Enterprise Reporter Suite — Quickly take remediation action from within the Quest Enterprise Reporter user interface to modify or remove any inappropriate permissions. Enterprise Reporter Suite paired with Security Explorer combines the reporting and remediation capabilities you need to facilitate security and compliance initiatives, enabling you to stay ahead of security vulnerabilities to prevent breaches.

KEY CAPABILITIES

File servers

- Replace Windows Explorer and complex command-line tools, such as PowerShell, Icacls, Xcacls and SubInACL.
- Manage permissions on NTFS, shares, registries and printers.

Active Directory

- Manage permissions on AD objects, such as users, OUs, groups and more.

- Identify over-privileged accounts and easily remove unnecessary access to improve security.

SharePoint

- Remove accounts that have been deleted from Active Directory.
- Identify SharePoint sites on the network, and manage all security and group memberships.
- Browse SharePoint permissions more quickly.

Exchange

- Access all mailbox, mailbox folder and directory permissions from one console.
- Eliminate the need for extra consoles, including Exchange Admin Center and PowerShell, ADUC, Outlook and the Public Folder Management Console.

SQL Server

- Manage SQL Server logins, users, schemas and database roles from one console.
- Highlight and resolve SQL Server user accounts with blank or insecure passwords.

Services and tasks

- Centrally reset service and task passwords.
- Manage service properties, including logon account and startup mode.
- Schedule password changes for service logon accounts.

Local users and groups

- Easily find users who have local admin rights.
- Manage membership of local groups on multiple machines in a single operation.
- Easily locate renamed administrator accounts.

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SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

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