

You must be a member of **Domain Admins**, or equivalent to perform these procedures.

To create a Group Policy Object and configure BranchCache modes

1. On a computer upon which the Active Directory Domain Services server role is installed, in Server Manager, click **Tools**, and then click **Group Policy Management**. The Group Policy Management console opens.
2. In the Group Policy Management console, expand the following path: **Forest: *example.com*, Domains, *example.com*, Group Policy Objects**, where *example.com* is the name of the domain where the BranchCache client computer accounts that you want to configure are located.
3. Right-click **Group Policy Objects**, and then click **New**. The **New GPO** dialog box opens. In **Name**, type a name for the new Group Policy Object (GPO). For example, if you want to name the object BranchCache Client Computers, type **BranchCache Client Computers**. Click **OK**.
4. In the Group Policy Management console, ensure that **Group Policy Objects** is selected, and in the details pane right-click the GPO that you just created. For example, if you named your GPO BranchCache Client Computers, right-click **BranchCache Client Computers**. Click **Edit**. The Group Policy Management Editor console opens.
5. In the Group Policy Management Editor console, expand the following path: **Computer Configuration, Policies, Administrative Templates: Policy definitions (ADMX files) retrieved from the local computer, Network, BranchCache**.
6. Click **BranchCache**, and then in the details pane, double-click **Turn on BranchCache**. The policy setting dialog box opens.
7. In the **Turn on BranchCache** dialog box, click **Enabled**, and then click **OK**.
8. To enable BranchCache distributed cache mode, in the details pane, double-click **Set BranchCache Distributed Cache mode**. The policy setting dialog box opens.
9. In the **Set BranchCache Distributed Cache mode** dialog box, click **Enabled**, and then click **OK**.
10. If you have one or more branch offices where you are deploying BranchCache in hosted cache mode, and you have deployed hosted cache servers in those offices, double-click **Enable Automatic Hosted Cache Discovery by Service Connection Point**. The policy setting dialog box opens.
11. In the **Enable Automatic Hosted Cache Discovery by Service Connection Point** dialog box, click **Enabled**, and then click **OK**.