

FINEGRAIN PASSWORD POLICY

PASSWORD SETTING OBJECT

Creating a PSO using ADSI Edit

Active Directory Service Interfaces Editor (ADSI Edit) provides a view of every object and attribute in an Active Directory Domain Services (AD DS) forest. You can use ADSI Edit to query, view, and edit AD DS objects and attributes.

To create a PSO using ADSI Edit

1. Click Start, click Run, type `adsiedit.msc`, and then click OK.
2. In the **ADSI Edit** snap-in, right-click ADSI Edit, and then click Connect to.
3. In Name, type the fully qualified domain name (FQDN) of the domain in which you want to create the PSO, and then click OK.
4. Double-click the domain.
5. Double-click `DC=<domain_name>`.
6. Double-click `CN=System`.
7. Click `CN=Password Settings Container`. All the PSO objects that have been created in the selected domain appear.
8. Right-click `CN=Password Settings Container`, click New, and then click Object.
9. In the Create Object dialog box, under Select a class, click `msDS-PasswordSettings`, and then click Next.
10. In Value, type the name of the new PSO, and then click Next.
11. Continue with the wizard, and enter appropriate values for all mustHave attributes.

View a Resultant PSO for a User or a Global Security Group

You can view the resultant Password Settings object (PSO) for a user object:

Viewing the resultant PSO for users using the Active Directory module for Windows PowerShell

Viewing the resultant PSO for users using the Windows interface

Viewing the resultant PSO for users from the command line using `dsget`

To view the resultant PSO for a user using Windows interface

1. Open Active Directory Users and Computers.
2. On the View menu, ensure that Advanced Features is checked.
3. In the console tree, click Users.
4. In the details pane, right-click the user account for which you want to view the resultant PSO, and then click Properties.
5. Click the Attribute Editor tab, and then click Filter.
6. Ensure that the Show attributes/Optional check box is selected.
7. Ensure that the **Show read-only attributes/Constructed check box** is selected.
8. Locate the value of the `msDS-ResultantPSO` attribute in the Attributes list.