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Windows: Join a workgroup or domain from command line

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Hi,

there are two ways to join or leave a domain. The netdom command or the Powershell Command lets add-computer and remove-computer.

The netdom way

Join a domain. If you are logged on at the machine you want to join

C:\> netdom join %computername% /domain:your.ADDomainToJoin.net /UserD:LoginWithJoinPermissions /F

Remove from Domain and join a workgroup. The /force option disjoins the computer from the domain even if you to not have the permission to remove the computer object from the domain. The domain computer object remains.

c:\> netdom remove %computername% /domain:your.OldADDomain.net /force

The Powershell way

Join a Domain

PS C:\> Add-computer -DomainName "your.ADDomainToJoin.net" -Credential LoginWithJoinPermissions

Remove from Domain and join a workgroup.

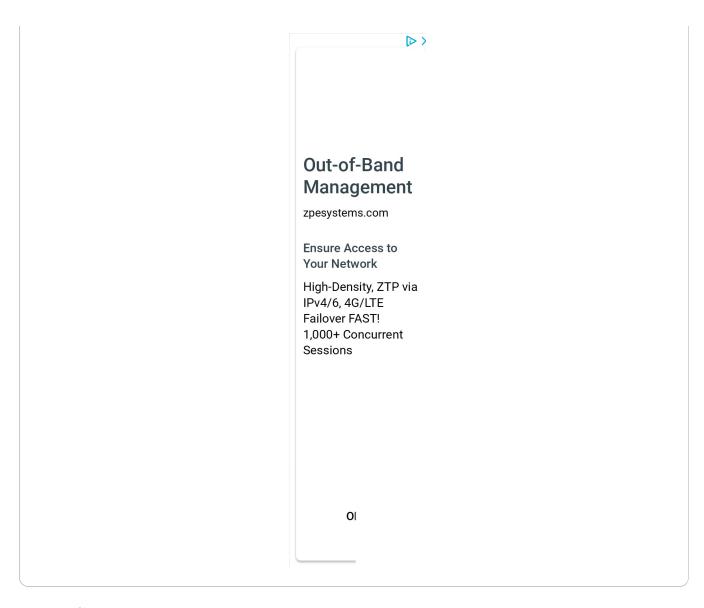
PS C:\> Remove-computer -WorkgroupName yourWorkgroup

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