

Basic Security Checklist – Windows 7 & Windows XP

Read the scenario, AND THEN read the scenario again!

- If the system logs straight on
 - netplwiz
- Updates (show how to set)
 - Service packs
 - Other OS updates
 - Non-OS updates
- User Accounts
 - Extra accounts deleted (disabled not for CyberPatriot)
 - Accounts have passwords
 - Changing default account names (not for CyberPatriot)
 - Check for group memberships
 - No auto login (netplwiz)
- Passwords
 - Secpol.msc
 - Length
 - Complexity
 - History
 - Lockout
- Firewall
 - Adding a rule
- Antivirus (MSE is quick and works well)
- Extra Programs
 - Start Menu
 - Add/Remove Programs (Programs in Windows 7)
 - Msconfig – startup tab
- Extra Services
 - Services.msc
 - Do not touch CyberPatriot Services
 - Look at scenario
 - Remember to sort by status & startup type
- Remote Access
 - Go through Computer -> Properties for CyberPatriot
- Auditing
 - Secpol.msc

- File System
 - NTFS preferred
 - Diskpart -> list volume (verify drive letter)
 - Vol drive letter
 - Convert drive letter: /FS:NTFS (error on our VM)
 - Create a partition (Computer Management)
 - Shrink or extend
- File Sharing
 - Check through Computer Management
 - Remove through Windows Explorer
 - Can remove in Computer Management for Windows 7
- Show File Extensions
 - Windows Explorer -> Organize
- Check Event Logs for out of the ordinary items
 - Event Viewer
- (win7) User Access Control
 - Control Panel -> User Accounts
 - Also from msconfig Tools tab
 - Use the help (especially to match something in a scenario)
- (win7) Action Center
 - Check for any issues
- Control Panel
 - Includes turning some Windows features on & off
 - Parental Controls
- Administrative Tools
 - Use Search Bar or change Start Menu properties
- Computer Properties
 - Device Manager
 - Remote Settings
 - System Protection
 - Advanced System Settings
- (win7) Network and Sharing Center
 - Task Bar Network icon or Search
 - Advanced Sharing Settings
 - Be sure to look at all network profiles

- MBSA
 - Short download
 - Activate update settings
 - Scans in less than 10 minutes (depends on the number of users)
- Rootkit removal – think SAFE MODE