

# Administer Software Restriction

## Resources:

<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-server/identity/software-restriction-policies/administer-software-restriction-policies>

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Software Restriction Policies (SRP) is Group Policy-based feature that identifies software programs running on computers in a domain, and controls the ability of those programs to run. You use software restriction policies to create a highly restricted configuration for computers, in which you allow only specifically identified applications to run.

## For a domain, site, or organizational unit, and you are on a member server or on a workstation that is joined to a domain

1. Open Microsoft Management Console (MMC).
2. On the **File** menu, click **Add/Remove Snap-in**, and then click **Add**.
3. Click **Local Group Policy Object Editor**, and then click **Add**.
4. In **Select Group Policy Object**, click **Browse**.
5. In **Browse for a Group Policy Object**, select a Group Policy Object (GPO) in the appropriate domain, site, or organizational unit-or create a new one, and then click **Finish**.
6. Click **Close**, and then click **OK**.
7. In the console tree, click **Software Restriction Policies**.

### Where?

- *Group Policy Object [ComputerName] Policy/Computer Configuration or*

User Configuration/Windows Settings/Security Settings/Software Restriction Policies

## For a domain or organizational unit, and you are on a domain controller or on a workstation that has the Remote Server Administration Tools installed

1. Open Group Policy Management Console.
2. In the console tree, right-click the Group Policy Object (GPO) that you want to open software restriction policies for.
3. Click **Edit** to open the GPO that you want to edit. You can also click **New** to create a new GPO, and then click **Edit**.
4. In the console tree, click **Software Restriction Policies**.

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User Configuration/Windows Settings/Security Settings/Software Restriction Policies