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Learn about managing ONTAP SMB share-level ACLs

You can change share-level ACLs to give users more or less access rights to the share. You can configure share-level ACLs by using either Windows users and groups or UNIX users and groups.

By default, the share-level ACL gives full control to the standard group named Everyone. Full control in the ACL means that all users in the domain and all trusted domains have full access to the share. You can control the level of access for a share-level ACL by using the Microsoft Management Console (MMC) on a Windows client or the ONTAP command line. Create share access control lists.

The following guidelines apply when you use the MMC:

- The user and group names specified must be Windows names.
- You can specify only Windows permissions.

The following guidelines apply when you use the ONTAP command line:

- The user and group names specified can be Windows names or UNIX names.

  If a user and group type is not specified when creating or modifying ACLs, the default type is Windows users and groups.

- You can specify only Windows permissions.

Create ONTAP SMB share access control lists

Configuring share permissions by creating access control lists (ACLs) for SMB shares enables you to control the level of access to a share for users and groups.

About this task

You can configure share-level ACLs by using local or domain Windows user or group names or UNIX user or group names.

Before creating a new ACL, you should delete the default share ACL `Everyone / Full Control`, which poses a security risk.

In workgroup mode, the local domain name is the SMB server name.

Steps

1. Delete the default share ACL:`vserver cifs share access-control delete -vserver <vserver_name> -share <share_name> -user-or-group Everyone`
2. Configure the new ACL:

If you want to configure ACLs by using a…	Enter the command…
Windows user	`vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver <vserver_name> -share <share_name> -user-group-type windows -user-or-group <Windows_domain_name\user_name> -permission <access_right>`
Windows group	`vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver <vserver_name> -share <share_name> -user-group-type windows -user-or-group <Windows_domain_name\group_name> -permission <access_right>`
UNIX user	`vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver <vserver_name> -share <share_name> -user-group-type <unix-user> -user-or-group <UNIX_user_name> -permission <access_right>`
UNIX group	`vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver <vserver_name> -share <share_name> -user-group-type <unix-group> -user-or-group <UNIX_group_name> -permission <access_right>`

3. Verify that the ACL applied to the share is correct by using the `vserver cifs share access-control show` command.

Example

The following command gives `Change` permissions to the “Sales Team” Windows group for the “sales” share on the "`vs1.example.com` "SVM:

```
cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver
vs1.example.com -share sales -user-or-group "DOMAIN\Sales Team"
-permission Change

cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control show -vserver
vs1.example.com
                Share       User/Group              User/Group  Access
Vserver         Name        Name                    Type
Permission
--------------- ----------- --------------------    ---------
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vs1.example.com  c$          BUILTIN\Administrators  windows
Full_Control
vs1.example.com  sales       DOMAIN\Sales Team     windows     Change
```

The following command gives `Read` permission to the "engineering" UNIX group for the "eng" share on the "vs2.example.com" SVM:

```
cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver
vs2.example.com -share eng -user-group-type unix-group -user-or-group
engineering -permission Read

cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control show -vserver
vs2.example.com
                Share       User/Group               User/Group  Access
Vserver         Name        Name                     Type
Permission
--------------- ----------- -------------------      -----------
-----------
vs2.example.com  c$          BUILTIN\Administrators   windows
Full_Control
vs2.example.com  eng         engineering              unix-group  Read
```

The following commands give `Change` permission to the local Windows group named "Tiger Team" and `Full_Control` permission to the local Windows user named "Sue Chang" for the "datavol5" share on the "vs1" SVM:

```
cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver vs1 -share
datavol5 -user-group-type windows -user-or-group "Tiger Team" -permission
Change

cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control create -vserver vs1 -share
datavol5 -user-group-type windows -user-or-group "Sue Chang" -permission
Full_Control

cluster1::> vserver cifs share access-control show -vserver vs1
               Share       User/Group                  User/Group  Access
Vserver        Name        Name                        Type
Permission
-------------- ----------- --------------------------- -----------
-----------
vs1            c$          BUILTIN\Administrators      windows
Full_Control
vs1            datavol5    Tiger Team         windows     Change
vs1            datavol5    Sue Chang          windows     Full_Control
```

ONTAP commands for managing SMB share access control lists

You need to know the commands for managing SMB access control lists (ACLs), which includes creating, displaying, modifying, and deleting them.

If you want to…	Use this command…
Create a new ACL	`vserver cifs share access-control create`
Display ACLs	`vserver cifs share access-control show`
Modify an ACL	`vserver cifs share access-control modify`
Delete an ACL	`vserver cifs share access-control delete`

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