

Windows Enterprise Announcement

December 8, 2015 – AD Transition to Universal Groups for ASW Synced Lists

On Wednesday, November 11, 2015 ITS changed the scope of all AD groups synced from ASW lists from Global to Universal.

This change was made so that ASW-synced lists/groups can be more easily mail-enabled. Only Universal security groups can be mail-enabled. Prior to November 11, when the "mail-enabled" option was selected in ASW an attempt was made to convert the scope of the AD group in question from Global (the old default) to Universal. However, this conversion fails if the list in question is a member of a Global group. This means that you or another Global security group owner can prevent mail-enabling a list/group by making it a member of another Global group anywhere in the AD domain. By converting all ASW-synced groups to Universal this issue is minimized.

One obvious impact you may see from this change is that you will no longer be able to make any ASW-synced Universal group (which will reside in the AutoLists AD container) a member of one of your Global security groups.

Please note it is still an AD limitation that lists with non-IASTATE members (e.g., somebody@gmail.com) cannot be mail enabled.

Additional information:

<http://www.tech.its.iastate.edu/windows/admin/ListSyncUserReq.pdf>

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