

Re: Changing User Name

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Simply save their encrypted password information
lsuser current user > /tmp/file1
grep -p current user /etc/security/passwd egrep "password|lastupdate" >
/tmp/file2
rmuser -p curent user
mkuser "correct arguments" new user [user /tmp/file1 to get the arguments,
changed for the new user name]
Passwd new user [set to arbitrary]
Pwddadm -c new user [clear change flag]
Vi +new user: /etc/security/passwd
Delete the password and lastupdate field, then read in /tmp/file2

If the user has a crontab, you will have to move it by hand.
If the user has a mail file, you will have to move it by hand.
If the home dir is name specific, you will have to move it by hand.
You may also need to update /etc/ftpusers /etc/ftpusers.allow \$cronallow
\$atallow

Any application specific information will have to be updated by that application
(oracle access, for example).

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-----Original Message-----

From: IBM AIX Discussion List [<mailto:aix-1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx>] On Behalf Of Uncle Steve

Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2006 8:12 AM

To: aix-1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Subject: Changing User Name

I'm looking for a way to change the User Name (login ID) of an existing user w/o goofing up their password.

chuser allows me to do a whole bunch of stuff but not their name. Tried Search-n-Replace on all key files (/etc/passwd, /etc/security/user, /etc/security/limits, etc.) but the password gets broken (as I would expect).

No rush if anyone has any ideas.

Thanks – Steve

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