



Windows
Desktop Management



DESKTOP AUTHORITY®
VERSION 8

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What's New in Desktop Authority 8.1?

Desktop Authority, the leading desktop management platform for Windows-based networks, significantly reduces the total cost of desktop ownership, accelerates Windows 7 migrations, and helps enterprises meet compliance and security requirements by giving them proactive, flexible, centralized management of all Windows desktops, servers and applications.

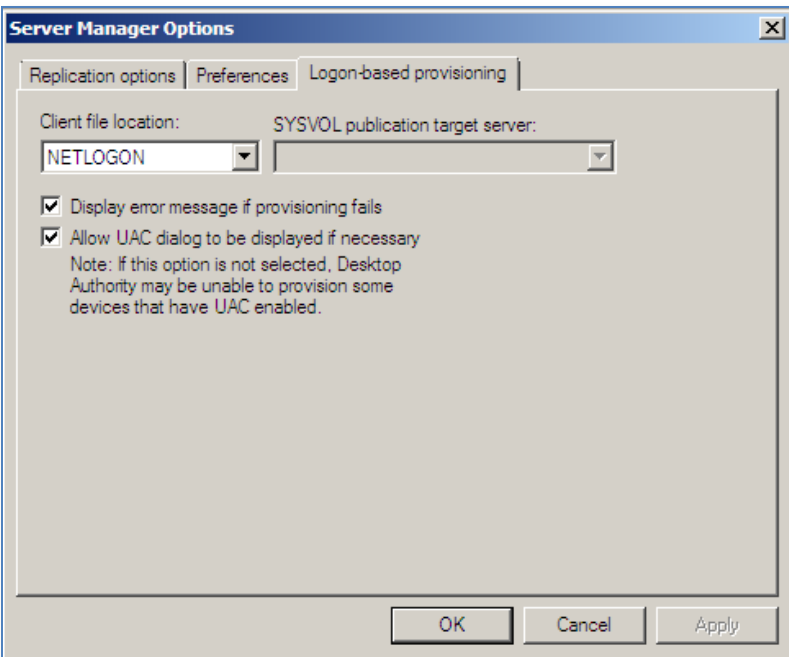
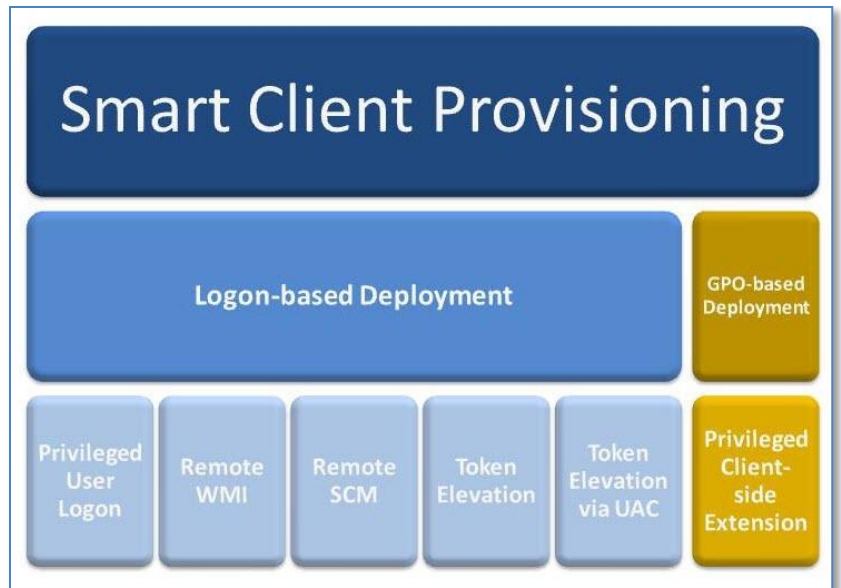
Desktop Authority 8.1 introduces a number of new features, including Smart Client Provisioning, and significantly improved patch management. In addition to these new features, version 8.1 features a number of performance and reliability improvements to streamline installation and deployment.

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Smart Client Provisioning

Desktop Authority has always lead the way in quick and easy client deployment technology, but updates in Windows security and technology has made it more difficult to do over time. Desktop Authority 8.1 features Smart Client Provisioning: The industry's first flexible, automatic client deployment system.

Smart Client Provisioning analyzes each computer at install time to find the simplest, most effective way of installing the Desktop Authority client, in most



cases eliminating any need to interrupt the end user. Administrators now have a choice. Administrators can use Group Policy Deployment to install the client, or they can use Login Based Deployment, which will analyze each computer and find the best way to install the Desktop Authority client to each computer.

Smart Client Provisioning also offers flexible options for specifying the shares needed for installation files and Desktop Authority data files. This improves support for OU Admins, and other administrators who do not have full domain-admin rights.

Improved Patch Management and Availability

Keeping workstations, servers and applications current and patched is one of the most effective ways to secure a network. However, as the number of supported platforms and applications has grown, patch management solutions have been pushed to their breaking point. Desktop Authority 8.1's Patch Distribution and Deployment option features a completely new patch data management system that improves patching performance, supports larger patch catalogs, and also makes patches available sooner than in the past.

Important Information for users upgrading from version 8.x

If you're upgrading from version 8.0 through 8.0.4 of Desktop Authority, be sure to read "Special Considerations for DA 8.x upgrade" included in the download email.

For More Information

Download Desktop Authority Today!

Get more information, and download Desktop Authority 8.1 at:

<http://www.scriptlogic.com/products/desktopauthority/>

Version History:

A complete list of all changes for Desktop Authority 8.1 can be found at:

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