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Quest Change Auditor for Authentication Services Overview

- Introduction
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Introduction

Authentication Services is patented technology that enables organizations to extend the security and compliance of Active Directory to UNIX, Linux, and Mac platforms and enterprise applications. Using Change Auditor, you can track, audit, report and alert on all critical changes to:

- Unix/Linux/Mac-related data for Active Directory users, groups, computers, NIS objects and Authentication Services personalities
- Unix/Linux/Mac settings in Group Policy Objects

Change Auditor for Authentication:

- Audits all critical changes.
- Tracks user activity.
- Turns irrelevant data into meaningful information to drive security and compliance.
- Automates reporting for corporate regulations.

This guide has been prepared to assist you in becoming familiar with Change Auditor for Authentication Services. It is intended for network administrators, consultants, analysts, and any other IT professionals using the product.

- For information on the core functionality available in Change Auditor see the Change Auditor User Guide and the Change Auditor Installation Guide.
- For event details, see the Change Auditor for Authentication Services Event Reference Guide.

Change Auditor for Authentication deployment requirements

For a successful deployment, ensure that your environment meets the minimum system requirements. For information on system requirements, see the Change Auditor Release Notes. For details on installing Change Auditor, see the Change Auditor Installation Guide.

NOTE: Authentication Services auditing is only available if you have licensed Change Auditor for Active Directory. If you do not have a valid license you can use the features, however, associated events are not captured. To verify that it is licensed, right-click the coordinator icon in the system tray and select **Licensing.**

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Getting Started

- Deployment requirements
- Enable Authentication Services auditing
- Enable and disable events as required
- Make changes and run a report

Deployment requirements

NOTE: After an agent upgrade from version 7.0.4 or earlier, you will need to update your configuration setup to enable Authentication Services auditing where required.

To capture activity performed with Authentication Services you need to:

- Ensure that Authentication Services 4.0 (or later) is properly installed and configured.
- Enable Authentication Services auditing through the agent configuration setup.
- Deploy agents on all Active Directory domain controllers in the forest to capture modifications to the Authentication Services configuration container.
- Enable and disable the required events.

Enable Authentication Services auditing

Authentication Services auditing is enabled and disabled on a configuration basis from through the configuration setup.

To enable Authentication Services auditing:

1. Open the Administration Tasks tab and click **Configuration**.
2. Select **Agent** in the Configuration task list.
3. From the Agent Configuration page, click **Configurations** to see the available configuration definitions. From here you can edit a configuration to include Authentication Services or create a new configuration.
4. Select the required agent configuration, select the **Authentication Services** tab, and click the option to enabled auditing.

Enable and disable events as required

You can enable or disable events to best suit your organization. To view or modify the current event auditing settings, use the Audit Events page, which is accessible through the Administration Tasks tab.

To disable/enable individual events:

1. Open the Administration Tasks tab.
2. Click **Auditing**.
3. Select **Audit Events** (under the Configuration heading in the Auditing task list) to display the Audit Events page.
4. To disable an event, use one of the following methods:
   - Select one or more enabled events and click **Disable**. (Use the **Shift** or **Ctrl** keys to select multiple events.)
   - Select an enabled event, place your cursor in the corresponding **Status** cell, click the arrow control and select **Disabled** from the drop-down menu.
   - Right-click an enabled event and select **Disable**.

5 To enable an event, use one of the following methods:

- Select one or more disabled events and click **Enable**. (Use the **Shift** or **Ctrl** keys to select multiple events.)
- Select a disabled event, place your cursor in the corresponding **Status** cell, click the arrow control and select **Enabled** from the drop-down menu.
- Right-click a disabled event and select **Enable**.

NOTE: You can also disable or enable an event using the **Disable/Enable** tool bar button at the top of the Event Details pane on a Search Results page.

Make changes and run a report

1 To test Authentication Services auditing, make some changes to the host being monitored.

For example:

- change the Unix name of a Unix-enabled Active Directory group
- rename an NIS object within Active Directory
- move an Authentication Services computer object in an Active Directory domain

2 Select **Start | All Programs | Quest | Change Auditor | Change Auditor Client** to review the events generated.

3 Open the **Searches** tab.

4 Expand the **Shared | Built-in | Authentication Services** folder in the left pane.

5 Locate and double-click **All Authentication Services events in last 30 days**.

A new Search Results tab is added to the client displaying the events that were captured.

6 Double-click an event from the Search Results grid to display the event details for the selected event.

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Authentication Services Searches/Reports

- Introduction
- Authentication Services built-in reports
- Create custom searches
- Search results

Introduction

You can use predefined reports to retrieve valuable change information from a variety of perspectives.

NOTE: The terms ‘searches’ and ‘reports’ are used in conjunction to acquire the desired output. You run a ‘search’ and the results returned are referred to as a ‘report’.

You can also create custom search definitions to search for the configuration changes that need to be tracked in your environment. You will use the search properties tabs across the bottom of the Searches page to define new custom searches.

For a description of the dialogs mentioned in this chapter, please refer to the online help. For a description of the Search Properties tabs and how to use these tabs to customize your searches, see the Change Auditor User Guide.

Authentication Services built-in reports

To see a complete list of built-in reports, see the Change Auditor Built-in Reports Reference Guide.

To run a built-in search:

1. Click on the **Searches** tab or select **View | Searches**.
2. Expand and select the appropriate folder in the explorer view (left-hand pane) to display the list of search definitions stored in the selected folder. For example, selecting the **Shared | Built-in | Authentication Services** will display all the built-in searches available for One Identity Authentication Services.
3. In the right-hand pane, locate the search to be run and use one of the following methods to run the selected search:
   - Double-click a search definition
   - Right-click a search definition and select the **Run** menu command
   - Select the search definition and click the **Run** tool bar button at the top of the Searches page
4. A new Search Results Page will be displayed populated with the audited events that met the search criteria defined in the selected search definition.

NOTE: To modify a built-in search or create a custom Authentication Services search, see the Change Auditor User Guide.

Create custom searches

The following scenario explain how to use the What tab to create custom searches.

NOTE: If you wanted to, you can use the other search properties tabs to define additional criteria:

- Who - allows you to search for events generated by a specific user, computer or group
- Where - allows you to search for events captured by a specific agent or within a specific domain or site
- When - allows you to search for events that occurred within a specific date/time range
- Origin - allows you to search for events that originated from a specific workstation or server

To search for a specific event class:

1 Open the Searches page.

2 In the explorer view (left pane), expand and select the folder where you want to save your search.

Selecting the **Private** folder will create a search that only you can run and view, whereas selecting the **Shared** folder will create a search which can be run and viewed by all Change Auditor users.

3 Click **New** at the top of the Searches page.

This will activate the Search Properties tabs across the bottom of the Searches page.

4 On the Info tab, enter a name and description for the search.

5 Open the What tab, click **Add** (or expand the **Add** tool bar button and select **Event Class**).

6 On the Add Facilities or Event Classes dialog, enter **Authentication Services Monitoring** in the data filter field under the Facility heading to display all of the Authentication Services events.

7 From this list, select one or more events and use the **Add | Add This Event** option to add the selected events to the list box at the bottom of the dialog. Click **OK** to save your selection and close the dialog.

8 Click **Run** to save and run the search. Click **Save** to save the search definition without running it.

9 When this search runs, Change Auditor searches for the Authentication Services events based on the search criteria specified on the What tab and display the results in a new search results page.

Search results

The event information (including key information like who, what, when, where, why, the event origin, and the file information) can be viewed on the Event Details pane.

Table 1. Event Details pane: Authentication Services events

ChangeAuditor	Description
Severity	Displays “Low”, “Medium”, or “High” depending on the event.
Who	Specifies the name of the user who initiated the change.
When	Specifies the date and time when the change occurred.
Where	Displays the name of the workstation where the change occurred.
Source	Displays ‘Change Auditor’ which is the application from which the event was retrieved.
Origin	Displays the NetBIOS name and IP address of the workstation from which the event was generated.
What	Displays a description of the activity that occurred. **NOTE:** For lengthy descriptions, hover your cursor over the description field to view the entire event description.
Facility	Displays that it is Authentication Services Monitoring activity.

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