

? Login Banner via GPO- How to Set a Security Message at Login via Group Policy (GPO)

This tutorial explains how to display a login banner or legal notice when users sign into Windows devices on a domain. This is often used to show security warnings, acceptable use policies, or legal disclaimers.

Step 1: Open Group Policy Management Console

On a domain controller or a machine with the GPMC installed:

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Start ? Run ? gpmc.msc
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Step 2: Create or Edit a GPO

1. Navigate to your domain or an Organizational Unit (OU).
2. Right-click and select "**Create a GPO in this domain, and Link it here...**" or edit an existing GPO.

Step 3: Configure the Security Message

In the GPO editor, go to:

```
Computer Configuration
  ??? Policies
    ??? Windows Settings
      ??? Security Settings
        ??? Local Policies
          ??? Security Options
```

Find and configure the following two settings:

- **Interactive logon: Message title for users attempting to log on**
- **Interactive logon: Message text for users attempting to log on**

Recommended General Message

Title:

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Authorized Use Only
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Text:

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You are accessing a secured system.
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```
This system is for authorized users only. By continuing, you agree to comply with organizational policies and security guidelines.
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All actions may be monitored and recorded. Unauthorized access is prohibited and may lead to disciplinary action or legal consequences.
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If you are not authorized, please disconnect immediately.
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Step 4: Apply the GPO

To apply the policy immediately, run the following command on a client machine:

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gpupdate /force
```

Then log off or reboot to verify that the message appears before login.

Note: Always test GPO changes in a controlled environment before deploying them network-wide.

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