

## Exchange 2003 Implementation

1. Check to make sure the computer you are planning on using will meet the hardware requirements for 2003 server. Take into consideration that this will probably grow as your organization grows, so if you don't have a strong enough system you may want to consider buying one.
2. Exchange also requires that the partition(s) that you install it onto are formatted with the NTFS file structure.
3. Make sure you are running Windows Server 2003 or Windows Server 2000. Windows Server 2000 will need to have service pack 3 installed on it.
4. Install or make sure the following services are running: .net Framework, asp.net, Internet Information Services (IIS), World Wide Web publishing Service, SMTP and NNTP. The .net framework and asp.net are installed automatically when installing exchange.
5. Make the computer is a member of the domain, and also make sure you are logged into the domain with the required rights.
6. Verify that the computer can resolve DNS and AD request. <\_\_\_\_\_
7. Now run ForestPrep. This can be done using the Exchange 2003 install CD, which has all these steps and utilities you will need.
8. Once that has finished you will need to run DomainPrep. This also is on the Exchange 2003 CD.
9. Once that has finished you will get to install Exchange 2003 on your server. Again you will need to run this off the install CD.
10. Now you will need to enter in the information that you have decided on earlier. In regards to your organization name and any other settings you have decided on.
11. If you do not need backwards compatibility install Exchange in Native mode.
12. You should now have the System Manager installed. If not you will need to install it to change settings in Exchange.
13. Use AD to set up your user accounts.