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Subject: Setting up a limited user

Posted by [David Lee](#) on Sun, 23 Nov 2008 16:34:54 GMT

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Hi

I have set up a role JC\_KEY\_LOOKUP with a start menu of building, and without global access, but with specific access to both the main menu and the building menu. However, I can not log in with such settings, but get the following error report:

Fatal Error: menu - Access to task 'menu' has not been allowed. (# 256).

Error in line 1513 of file '/home/radicore/includes/include.session.inc'.

Script: /radicore/menu/logon.php

User Id: JCUSER

Remote Address: 192.168.0.187

Request URI: /radicore/menu/logon.php

Page Stack:

0: array =

function: string = errorHandler

args: array =

0: integer = 256

1: string = menu - Access to task 'menu' has not been allowed.

2: string = /home/radicore/includes/include.session.inc

3: integer = 1513

4: array =

task\_id: string = menu

where: string =

selection: string =

task\_array: string = null

current\_menu: string = null

current\_task: string = null

menu\_buttons: array =

messages: array =

page\_stack: array =

script\_vars: array =

script\_count: integer = 1

PHP\_SELF: string = /menu/logon.php

curr\_task: string = logon

page\_data: array =

task\_id: string = logon

task\_array: array =

logon: boolean = 1

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logon: array =
  script_count: integer = 1
  pattern_id: string = logon
page: string = /menu/logon.php
test_task_id: string = logon
query_string: string = selection=building
settings_bf: string = null
errors: array =
  0: string = Access to task 'menu' has not been allowed.
1: array =
  file: string = /home/radicore/includes/include.session.inc
  line: integer = 1513
  function: string = trigger_error
  args: array =
    0: string = menu - Access to task 'menu' has not been allowed.
    1: integer = 256
2: array =
  file: string = /var/www/radicore/menu/logon.php
  line: integer = 149
  function: string = scriptNext
  args: array =
    0: string = menu
    1: string = null
    2: string = null
    3: array =
      query_string: string = selection=building

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Stepping through the code, it appears that the following lines from mnu\_task.class.inc return access\_allowed as N

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$this->sql_select = 'mnu_task.task_id, task_desc, button_text, task_type, pattern_id,
script_id, subsys_dir, initial_passthru, selection_fixed, selection_temp, settings, order_by,
is_disabled, global_access, keep_data, log_sql_query, screen_refresh, use_https,
max_execution_time'
        . ", CASE WHEN mnu_role_task.role_id IS NOT NULL THEN 'Y' ELSE 'N' END
AS access_allowed";
$this->sql_from = 'mnu_task '
        . 'LEFT JOIN mnu_subsystem ON
(mnu_subsystem.subsys_id=mnu_task.subsys_id) '
        . "LEFT JOIN mnu_role_task ON (mnu_role_task.task_id=mnu_task.task_id AND
mnu_role_task.role_id='$role_id') "
        . "LEFT JOIN mnu_role ON (mnu_role.role_id='$role_id)";
$this->sql_where = "";

$this->errors = array();

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$fieldarray = $this->getData_raw("mnu_task.task_id=" . addslashes($task_id) . "");
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Does this indicate I have set something up incorrectly?

Why, when the start task is building, is it checking and going to the menu task?

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Subject: Re: Setting up a limited user  
Posted by [AJM](#) on Sun, 23 Nov 2008 18:30:35 GMT  
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The start task for a role can only be of type MENU, not PROC. This is so that the first page which is displayed after logging on is the home page. This is described in [http://www.tonymarston.net/php-mysql/menuguide/mnu\\_menu.html](http://www.tonymarston.net/php-mysql/menuguide/mnu_menu.html).

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Subject: Re: Setting up a limited user  
Posted by [David Lee](#) on Mon, 24 Nov 2008 22:57:46 GMT  
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My mistake.

I had enabled access to "menu01", not "main\_menu". Main menu is needed for all access. The "menu01" item is the menu and security subsystem. Names can get quite confusing here when you start looking at the code as well, and get variables just called "menu", but the answer there is not to get it wrong.

It still seems strange to me that with the initial task for a user defined as the menu (not proc) task "building", I also need to enable the main menu, but once it is known, it is so little extra effort that it is not worth worrying about.

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Subject: Re: Setting up a limited user  
Posted by [AJM](#) on Tue, 25 Nov 2008 00:31:32 GMT  
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MENU01 and MAIN\_MENU are the identities of different lists of items (there can be many others), while the MENU task is what is used to display a list of items. It may sound confusing to begin with, but once you see the error message "Access to task 'menu' has not been allowed" it is easy to fix - simply add task "menu" to the access list for each role and off you go.

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Subject: Re: Setting up a limited user  
Posted by [AJM](#) on Wed, 26 Nov 2008 15:50:35 GMT

In the next release I shall change the "Add Role" function so that it automatically allows access to the following tasks:

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menu  
mnu_user(upd1)a  
mnu_user(upd1)b  
mnu_user(upd1)c
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