

Re: [SLE] cron for normal users

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On Thu, 2004-04-01 at 05:17, Hollweg, Daniel wrote:

> *Hi list!*
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> *SuSe 9.0 pro with file settings secure. I want an normal user to be able to*
> *use crontab*
> *in order put cronjobs in place. If the users tries to install a crontab*
> *using crontab -e he*
> *gets an /usr/bin/crontab permission denied. If I have a look on the file*
> *permissions this*
> *behavior is correct:*
>
> *-rwsr-x--- 1 root trusted 22812 Sep 23 2003 /usr/bin/crontab*
>
> *First I thought about putting the user in the group trusted but the it has*
> *the rights*
> *to execute gpasswd.*
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> *Next step I set the x-bit for other on /usr/bin/crontab. No the user can use*
> *the crontab.*
> *But when I make a reboot of the system the permission is chnaged to*
> *-rwsr-x--- automatically.*
>
> *I think this is a result of the file permission safe setting in yast. But*
> *when root changes a permission*
> *I do not want the OS to undo my changes.*
>
> *Any ideas?*
> *Regards*
> *Daniel*
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The files /var/spool/cron/allow and /var/spool/cron/deny can control who has the ability to create crontab files. Do a man crontab for further help.

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