OBTAIN How-To: Access Groups

What is an Access Group?

Often times, in any datacenter, there are multiple different groups of assets that are owned by different groups of people. Our users asked for a way to assign specific assets to specific groups/users and prevent users from other groups from making modifications to those assets. As a solution to this request the Access Groups feature was added into OBTAIN. Access Groups allows a user to define different user groups to represent the various different groups of people/assets that exist in their datacenter. After a user group has been defined, assets can be assigned to those groups making it so only users in those groups can make modifications to those assets, in OBTAIN.

How to Use Access Groups:

- 1) Define a new Access Group:
 - a. On the Device window, while looking at any Device, click on the Nexus tab and then click the Access Groups button.
 - b. On the Restrict Assets window click the List button.
 - c. On the Asset Group window click the Add button.
 - d. Input an Access Group name and click Create.

Access Group - Assignment	▼ Add Copy	Delete Rename Help						
Read/Write Users	Read Only Users	No Access Users						
Patrick Meyers, Rob Rob Smith, David ADMIN Stinson, Lisa Lisa	There are no items available	Andropov, Ivan *Ivan Brown, Laura Laura Craig, Kevin *Kevin Dawson, Jerry *Jerry Freeman, Doug *Doug Hotton, Tim Tim Jones, Greg Greg Lopez, Jose Jose Morris, Mike Mike Reed, Don Don Secord, Anna Anna Yang, Jack Jack						
NOTE: Some users can't be upgraded from Read Only to Read/Write since they are read only users. Please check and change their user access rights first								
		(Figure 1						

2) Assign users to an Access Group:

Once an Access Group has been defined users need to be assigned to it to determine who is and isn't able to modify the information on specific Assets. All of the users in OBTAIN are listed within the three boxes on the Access Group window. By default, when you make a new Access Group, all ADMIN level users are set in the Read/Write column and all Advanced and Normal users are set in No Access. To change which users have which permissions, click on a user's name and use the <= and => buttons to move them between the Read/Write, Read Only and No Access Columns. Users set as Read/Write will be able to modify any Asset that is part of that Access Group. Read Only users will be able to bring up an Asset to view its information but will be unable to make any updates to it.

3) Assign Assets to an Access Group:

There are two ways to assign an Asset to an Access Group:

a. On the Nexus tab of a Device there is an Access Group drop-down list. By clicking on the drop-down list and selecting an Access Group the Device you are currently viewing is then assigned to that Access Group.



b. Alternately, by clicking the Access Groups button, also on the Nexus tab, the Restrict Access via Access Groups dialogue will open. From here, an Access Group can be selected from the top left drop-down list. Devices, Blades and Cards can then be assigned to that Access Group, in mass, by using the << and >> buttons to move the Assets between the "Assets in this Access Group" and the "Not in Any Access Group" columns (See Figure 3).

Restrict which Userids can update specific Assets via Access Groups							
Access Group: Acce	ss Group 1	▼ Li:	st	Devices	C Blades / Cards		
Assets in this Access Group: Not in Any Access Group:							
Model	Device Name	Serial #	*	Model	Device Name	Serial # 🔺	
2109-F16 3590-A60 3590-A60 3590-A60 3590-A60 3590-A60 3590-A60 3590-A60 5108 7028-6C1 7028-6C1 7028-6C4 7588-T04 7588-T04 DMX-1000 DMX-3000 p650 ProLiant DL360 ProLiant DL360 ProLiant DL360 ProLiant DL360 ProLiant DL380 G4 ProLiant DL380	LIB-2 SW FR14 LIB-3 FR06 LIB-4 FR06 LIB-4 FR03 LIB-7 FR16 Example 5108 #2 Example 5108 #2 Example 5108 #1 UNXSVR089 UNXSVR133 LIB-4 ALT MGR LIB-7 LIB MGR LIB-7 LIB MGR LIB-7 ALT MGR 1700-1DFF 3000-3809 UNXSVR195 MSSVR113 MSSVR243 MSSVR243 MSSVR218 MSSVR218 MSSVR218 MSSVR218 MSSVR218 MSSVR218 MSSVR219 MSSVR114 MSSVR790 MSSVR795 LIB-3 300XM SS OS14EMC MSSVR219 MSSVR219 MSSVR219 MSSVR219 MSSVR220 MSSVR204 MSSVR204		<	DMX-3000	9800.9FFF 4000-4AFF 8000-8FFF 1E00.2FFF 6000-61FF 9000-A000 8400-C6FF 8000-81FF D800-D8FF 4800-48FF 3D00-3DFF D800-26FF D800-26FF D800-26FF D900-26FF 380A-3CFF 7000-7FFF 4D00-4DFF 4C00-4CFF 0D00-16FF LIB-6 FR 14 500 501 511 512 513 520 521 522 523 520 521 522 523 520 521		

How are Device Updates Restricted?

There are two main areas where Device updates are restricted. The first is on the Devices window and the second is on the Racks window.

1) Devices Window:

If a user has the Devices window open and they are currently viewing a Device which they have Read-Only access to, then they will not be able to modify any of the information on the Device. If the user attempts to modify any information on the Device they will receive an informational pop-up box which will inform them that they do not have permission to modify the current Device (see Figure 4).

Device Switch01 Asset Data Financial Data Nexus E	nvironmental	
Name: FCSW01 Work Flow	* Access Group Control	
Serial Number: SN-0001		
Asset Number: AN-0001	Your USERID cannot update this Asset	
Note:		
Label Code: Update	ОК	
Tier Level:	Mgmt/RCM/iL0:	
	(Figure 4)	

2) Racks Window:

Aside from modifying the information on a Device, there are also restrictions which prevent a user from making changes to a Device in the Racks window. First, if a user tries to mount a Device into a Rack, any Devices that the user is restricted from modifying will not be displayed in the list of mountable Devices. Second, if a restricted Device is already mounted in a Rack the user will not be able to do any of the following; cut and paste the Device, remove the Device from the Rack or move the Device using the arrow kevs (see Figure 5).

(In Figure 5, note that all of the options that would modify the Device in the Rack are greyed out, signifying that they are disabled and unusable).



(Figure 5)