

There are several scenarios in which the SharePoint AD Management Pack would greatly increase productivity in an organization using SharePoint; one possible scenario is using it for a partner or customer portal.

In a partner portal, you can give each account access to non-critical information inside AD by using AD Self Service, thereby allowing account users to maintain their information by themselves. You can check on the entries or any changes made through logs or by setting up the emailing feature.

Do you have critical or confidential information inside AD that you do not want the partners to see or edit but do not have the time to manage them? With AD Administration, you can delegate this task to account managers, enabling them to create new accounts and change AD information of their accounts based on the permissions given in AD Administration. All actions will be logged so that any changes can be traced back. Also, in case partners forget their password or it expires, the account managers would be able to reset the password for the accounts they are responsible for.

Tired of having to manage partners' passwords? Simply set up Password Change and give your partners the option to change their own password before it expires. The email feature and the Password Expiration Warning web part will make sure that the partners will be informed well in advance of the expiration date. As with AD Self Service and AD Administration, all changes will be logged.

Now that all AD information is effectively managed, how does it get into SharePoint lists? AD Information Sync allows you to synchronize AD information with SharePoint lists, effectively building an information link between AD and SharePoint. Simply configure AD Information Sync to update the columns in SharePoint lists based on AD properties and synchronize according to your specifications; the rest will work automatically.

For individual tutorials on the products contained within the pack, click on the links below:

- [SharePoint Password Change](#)
- [SharePoint AD Administration](#)
- [SharePoint AD Information Sync](#)
- [SharePoint AD Self Service](#)