
Subject: Re: Re: [patch 05/10] add "permit user mounts in new namespace" clone flag

Posted by [Miklos Szeredi](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 09:56:15 GMT

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Posted by [ebiederm](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 15:43:55 GMT

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Miklos Szeredi <miklos@szeredi.hu> writes:

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Eric

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Subject: Re: Re: [patch 05/10] add "permit user mounts in new namespace" clone flag

Posted by [Miklos Szeredi](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 15:58:06 GMT

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By design yes. Why is that a problem?

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Posted by [Ram Pai](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 17:14:29 GMT

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On Mon, 2007-04-16 at 11:56 +0200, Miklos Szeredi wrote:

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Posted by [Miklos Szeredi](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 17:50:46 GMT

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Posted by [serue](#) on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 17:07:37 GMT

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Quoting Miklos Szeredi (miklos@szeredi.hu):

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>>>>> Miklos

I'm a bit lost about what is currently done and who advocates for what.

It seems to me the MNT_ALLOWUSERMNT (or whatever :) flag should be

propagated. In the /share rbind+chroot example, I assume the admin would start by doing

```
mount --bind /share /share
mount --make-slave /share
mount --bind -o allow_user_mounts /share (or whatever)
mount --make-shared /share
```

then on login, pam does

```
chroot /share/$USER
```

or some sort of

```
mount --bind /share /home/$USER/root
chroot /home/$USER/root
```

or whatever. In any case, the user cannot make user mounts except under /share, and any cloned namespaces will still allow user mounts.

Or are you guys talking about something else?

-serge
