

# Re: Prompting for password

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Actually this is possible, but requires the use of hooks (therefore I would generally advise the normal form based approach).

If you want to use the Win API hook approach – you can read it here:

[http://www.danielklann.com/excel/hiding\\_text\\_in\\_a\\_vba\\_inputbox.htm](http://www.danielklann.com/excel/hiding_text_in_a_vba_inputbox.htm)

Regards,

Wayne Phillips

<http://www.everythingaccess.com>

"69 Camaro" <[ForwardZERO\\_SPAM.To.69Camaro@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:ForwardZERO_SPAM.To.69Camaro@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message [news:4BDD9F68-E032-491F-A9A6-3EF08D2322E3@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:4BDD9F68-E032-491F-A9A6-3EF08D2322E3@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

> Hi, Mauricio.

>

>> I am trying to avoid creating a new form just to input a password

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> Oh. I assumed that the form you had already created to connect to the other

> database and list the users connected to it had a text box available for the

> user to type the password, since you mentioned that you had to enter a

> password in most cases to connect to the other database.

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>> what I am

>> asking is if there is a Windows' Dialog for it, such as SaveFile or OpenFileDialog

>> or an Access Dialog such as InputBox. Maybe an InputPassword Dialog.

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> The only pre-programmed dialog window for this is the InputBox, which does

> not allow for input masks. Other than that, you'll have to create a

separate

> form, add a text box to a current form, or call an external executable file

> that displays the user-defined dialog window that includes an input mask for

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> a password, then pass it to the database to connect to. You could create  
> a  
> form in an executable file with Visual Basic, but that's a lot more  
> trouble  
> than just adding a special text box or creating a special form within  
> Access.  
>  
> HTH.  
>  
> Gunny  
>  
> See <http://www.QBuilt.com> for all your database needs.  
> See <http://www.Access.QBuilt.com> for Microsoft Access tips.  
>  
> (Please remove ZERO\_SPAM from my reply E-mail address, so that a message  
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> best answers are often given to those who have a history of rewarding the  
> contributors who have taken the time to answer questions correctly.  
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> "Mauricio Silva" wrote:  
>  
>> Hi Gunny,  
>>  
>> thank you for your answer, but I think I didn't explain myself quite  
>> well.  
>>  
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>> I am  
>> asking is if there is a Windows' Dialog for it, such as SaveFile or  
>> OpenFile  
>> or an Access Dialog such as InputBox. Maybe an InputPassword Dialog.  
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>> Thanks again  
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>> Mauricio Silva 2005  
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>> "'69 Camaro" wrote:  
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>>>> Is there an InputBox Masked?  
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>>> Yes. Open the form in Design View. Select the text box that accepts the  
password typed by the user. Open the Properties dialog window. Select the  
"Data" tab. In the "Input Mask" Property, type:  
>>>  
>>> Password  
>>>  
>>> Save the form, then open it in Form View. The user's input will now have an  
>>> \* displayed for each character typed into the password text box, thereby  
>>> hiding the actual password from passersby.  
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>>> "Mauricio Silva" wrote:  
>>>  
>>>> I have developed a form which connect to other database and list all the  
>>>> users connected to it. In most cases, I have to enter a password in order to  
>>>> do it. My question is:  
>>>>  
>>>> Is there an InputBox Masked? I mean, if I use InputBox to ask for a  
>>>> password, it will show the typed password because it is not masked as \*\*\*\*.  
>>>> Is there a way to open the login dialog to log into the new

database?

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>>>> Thanks

>>>> Mauricio Silva 2005

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