

Re: Add validation to Login control

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Hello Brian,

Jesse,

I added the password format to my membership provider as follows:

```
<membership defaultProvider="DSIMembershipProvider"
userIsOnlineTimeWindow="15">
<providers>
<clear/>
<add name="DSIMembershipProvider"
applicationName="DSI"
type="DSIMembershipProvider"
enablePasswordRetrieval="false"
enablePasswordReset="true"
requiresUniqueEmail="true"
passwordFormat="\w{6,25}"
/>
</providers>
</membership>
```

However, when I enter a password of 3 characters.. the ValidateUser function is still called... shouldn't an error be thrown? Or should I be catching something in the page load on postback?

I believe it does not by default add the validation logic to the clientside code. That way you can have any format you want. And I don't know if the DSIMembershipProvider even implements the passwordFormat option. It could be that it's just ignoring your configuration directive..

Jesse

"jesse.houwing@xxxxxxxx" wrote:

Hello Brian,

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I want to add my own regular expression validators to the Login control so that I can make my users conform to my own custom rules. However, I do not see a way to do that. Should I just revert to the 1.1 way and create my own text boxes and override the membership provider? Or is there a better way?

I believe you can set up the expression to use in the web.config in the membership provider configuration.

Add an attribute to the membership provider settings in the web.config named "passwordFormat" and put the regex you want to use in the value.

Like this:

```
<membership defaultProvider="MembershipProvider">
<providers>
<clear />
<add
name="MembershipProvider"
applicationName="yourAppName"
connectionStringName="...."
commandTimeout="15"
passwordFormat="^[a-z]+$"
type="MembershipProvider, Security, Version=1.0.0.0, Culture=neutral,
PublicKeyToken=d22f73cb6713ceb0"
/>
</providers>
</membership>
```

This sample uses a custom written membership provider, so you'll have to put in your own type information.

Jesse