

## File downloads

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<http://www.tech-archive.net/Archive/Internet-Server/microsoft.public.inetserver.asp.general/2005-02/0496.html>

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I have an Access db with usernames and passwords set up on a web site. Upon signing in to a password protected asp page which contains a link to an exe file, the user clicks the link and the browser asks to either Open or Save the file.

All this works fine, but if the user simply types the full path to the file in the address bar, the browser again asks the user to either Open or Save the file – thus bypassing the security.

Is there a way to prevent this "back door" method of accessing the file or would I have to set up an FTP mechanism. If so, How would I go about this?

Many thanks.