

Re: strong passwords

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I also would say that trying for secure passwords shorter than 15 characters is a futile effort.

I have personally seen 14 character, semi-complex passwords broken in 10-20 seconds on demand.

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"Cary Shultz [A.D. MVP]" <cwshultz@mvps.org> wrote in message news:ublViJP\$EHA.2156@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

> Flavio,

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> In addition to what Ryan and Herb (Howdy, Guys!) have stated I would
> suggest that you have a minimum password age of at least 10 days. Why?
> Because without a minimum password age your smarter users will quickly
find

> out that they can change their password xx number of times (in your case,
> 14) in rapid succession to get back to their favorite password. Thus,
your

> password policy will not really be that effective. With 10 days as the
> minimum password age most - hopefully all! - users will have given up!
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> I would also suggest that you contact the MS PSS and get the fix (for
> free) and install it on all of your computers (Domain Controllers,
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> Servers, Workstations) as your users will most likely NOT come up with a
> password that will met with the complexity requirements. This will result
> in an error message that is quite generic and not very informative. With
> this hot fix the users will be given an error message that spells out
> exactly what they need to do (assuming that they read it!).
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> Here is the link:

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> <http://support.microsoft.com/?id=821425>

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> You might also want to take a look at this MSKB Article:

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> <http://support.microsoft.com/?id=309799>

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> <http://www.activedirectory-win2000.com>
> <http://www.grouppolicy-win2000.com>
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> "Flavio Alves" <FlavioAlves@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message
> news:3454A86B-CEC4-4463-969F-C0A302B86C69@microsoft.com...
> > In my company , we are applicating strong passwords and i have the
> > following
> > consiguration
> > - enforce password history = 12
> > - maximum password age = 90 days
> > - minimum password age = 0
> > - minimum password lenght = 6
> > - password must meet complexity ... = disable
> > - store passwords using = disable
> > Now , after changes will to stay of following form .
> > - enforce password history = 14
> > - maximum password age = 45 days
> > - minimum password age = 0
> > - minimum password lenght = 8
> > - password must meet complexity ... = enable
> > - store passwords using = disable
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> > What's the impact in my ambient, that will occur with all workstation
im
> > my
> > company ?
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