

Re: strong passwords

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10-20 seconds?? That's a bit quick, but I completely believe you. Maybe you hang out with a tougher crowd than I do?

I have seen a user forget a 6 character password in 10-20 seconds though.

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PS: Hello to Herb and Cary from the frozen tundra of Chicago. I hope your days are warmer than mine.

"Herb Martin" <news@LearnQuick.com> wrote in message
news:%23Y4uirQ\$EHA.3368@TK2MSFTNGP15.phx.gbl...

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

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

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> Herb Martin

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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,
> > Member

> > Servers, Workstations) as your users will most likely NOT come up with
a

> > password that will met with the complexity requirements. This will
result

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> > 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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> > --
> > Cary W. Shultz
> > Roanoke, VA 24014
> > Microsoft Active Directory MVP
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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
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> > > my
> > > company ?
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