

Re: Windows Password

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Sal wrote:

> I have a similar problem, but it appears to be the "hidden" password that has
> been set – is my only solution to buy a new hard-drive?

No.

Go to <http://home.eunet.no/~pnordahl/ntpasswd/> and download the boot disk, this will enable you to reset any system password on an NT class operating system.

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> "TaurArian" wrote:
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>> <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=290260>
>> EFS, Credentials, and Private Keys from Certificates Are Unavailable After a Password
>> Is Reset
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>> Windows Home XP
>> 1. As windows is loading up press F8 repeatedly until the Windows advanced screen
>> comes up.
>> 2. Select safe mode (the version of windows you want to use click XP wait until it
>> loads the welcome screen.
>> 3. Select Administrator and it will log you on as administrator without a password
>> (provided a password was not created in this hidden account during setup).
>> 4. Go to Start – Control Panel – User Accounts.
>> 5. Select your name and click change the password.
>> Then you should be able to change the password, shut down the computer and restart in
>> normal mode and use the new password you just created.
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>> ****
>> If you have XP Pro on your computer:–
>> 1. At the log in screen " ctrl–alt–delete " twice.
>> 2. In the User Account, type Administrator
>> 3. Leave the password blank and press enter.
>> (Most likely a password wasn't created in this hidden account during setup).
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>> normal mode and use the new password you just created.
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>> If you decide to set a password it is recommended that you create a Password Reset
>> Disk by clicking on "Prevent a Forgotten Password" link in the left pane. The Wizard
>> will guide you through.
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>> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:EN-US:321305>
>> How to Log On to Windows XP If You Forget Your Password or Your Password Expires
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>> <http://www3.telus.net/dandemar/lostpass.htm>
>> lists a few more options
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>> Useful tools – Nir Soft at www.nirsoft.net
>> http://www.nirsoft.net/utills/index.html#password_utils
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>> "UndaMyCuvaz" <UndaMyCuvaz@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
>> news:C55BAA1C-9F0D-4CA3-929A-64CBDD0DCCA7@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
>>> Hi all
>>> My lovely children's friends ramsacked my house while I was away on vacation
>>> for 3 days. When I came home, my brand new (15day old Notebook) had a
>>> Windows Password on it. Nobody seems to know how it got there and what the
>>> password is. I have my receipt to prove I am the owner but Best Buy wants to
>>> charge me a minimum of 65\$ to 'UN' password it. I was wondering if there is
>>> a website that can walk me through the same process they would rather charge
>>> me for?
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>>> Thank you...
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>>> ps> reformatting is not an option since all my business stuff is on it.
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>>> Sharyn
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