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There are ways around policies if your IT people won't make an exception for you. Have you asked them?

Visit here...

[http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp\\_tweaks.htm](http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp_tweaks.htm)

Read the instructions at the top.

Scroll down to...

230. Right hand side

Wait is Greyed Out under Screen Saver Tab

waitgreyedout.reg is the file that you want.

waitgreyedout.reg disables ScreenSaveTimeout, the Screen Saver timeout policy.

HKLM\Software\Policies\Microsoft\Windows\Control Panel\Desktop

ScreenSaveTimeout

Can be set from a minimum of 1 second to a maximum of 86,400 seconds, or 24 hours. If set to zero, the screen saver will not be started.

Sounds like your IT folks have ScreenSaveTimeout set to 1800, in seconds for a time of 30 minutes.

If the Screen Saver tab is missing completely from Display Properties.

51. ScreenSaver Disable/Enable or Tab Missing

Click on Tab Missing.

sstabmissing.reg is the file.

sstabmissing.reg disables NoDispScrSavPage, the Hide Screen Saver tab policy.

[[To use the Regedits: Save the REG File to your hard disk. Double click it and answer yes to the import prompt. ]]

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Hope this helps. Let us know.

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In [news:%232S\\$0bOoHHA.4188@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:%232S$0bOoHHA.4188@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx),  
Swift <Steve.J.Swift@xxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:

Windows Media Player has an option to suppress the screen saver if it is active.

Is there a simpler program which would achieve the same effect?

I can't just turn off the screen saver, as my company enforces a setting that it cuts in after 30 minutes inactivity.

This is all very reasonable in an open office, or public place, but I work from home, and my desktop PC isn't going anywhere. If an intruder got in, they'd be too busy avoiding my dogs' teeth to worry about hacking my PC.

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