

Re: Forgotten Bios Password

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In news:0CB56D72-632D-43EE-A8D7-E1018B7441A5@microsoft.com,
steve <steve@discussions.microsoft.com> typed:

> *Is there a way to recover or reset the Bios password without*
> *formatting???*

This has nothing to do with Windows, and formatting will not
remove the password.

You can remove the battery on the motherboard for a few minutes
(sometimes it takes up to an hour) and that will reset all the
BIOS settings to their defaults.

Alternatively, you may be able to set a reset jumper on the
motherboard. Check your documentation.

The problem with doing either is that all settings, not just the
password, get reset. Do you have a record of what the settings
are (I recommend that everyone make and keep one)? If so, that
will make it easier to put it back the way it was.

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