

Re: 154501--disable wkstn pswds

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It's pretty easy, actually. An NT/2000/XP machine uses a password to communicate with a windows domain just like a user account. The password used by the computer account gets automatically changed every 7 days for NT, 30 days for 2000/XP.

If you set these passwords to never change, you're exposing yourself to similar risks as if your user account passwords never expired – someone can sniff the computer account password and use it to gain unauthorized access to your network.

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"Scott Klein" <scott_f_klein@rush.edu> wrote in message

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> Can anyone please tell me the "security risks" mentioned in article
> 154501.

> (<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=154501>

>) if I decide to disable workstation password changes?

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