

## Re: AD Change Password issue

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You need to make sure that the password you are changing to hasn't been used recently and meets the policy requirements (try adding numbers too or something).

Otherwise that should basically work. You might want to set `userAccountControl` in a separate step too.

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"Sathya Gomathi via DotNetMonster.com" <forum@DotNetMonster.com> wrote in message news:e5f377760c5a4269889e40a3a4b20ccd@DotNetMonster.com...

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> Hi,
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> I trying to change password of an account in AD. This the code iam using
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> string adspath = "LDAP://SYST.ctc.edu/CN="+username+",OU=Users,OU=Seattle
> District (060 - SCCD),OU=Washington Colleges,DC=SYST,DC=ctc,DC=edu";
> DirectoryEntry entry1 = new DirectoryEntry (adspath, @"domain\username",
> "PWD", AuthenticationTypes.Secure);
>
> string OldPassword = "OLDPWD";
> string NewPassword = "mynewsecre@t!#*";
>
> object[] tt = new object[] {OldPassword, NewPassword};
>
> try
> {
> entry1.Invoke( "ChangePassword" ,tt );
> entry1.Properties["userAccountControl"].Value = 0x0200;
> entry1.CommitChanges();
> }
> catch(Exception excp)
> {
> throw(excp);
> }
>
> I get this exception
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> *"System.Runtime.InteropServices.COMException (0x800708C5): The password*  
> *does not meet the password policy requirements. Check the minimum password*  
> *length, password complexity and password history requirements."*  
> }  
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