

Re: MSDE 2000 SA Account Password

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Russell, it worked great!! Thanks so much!

>-----Original Message-----

>Did you try just leaving the '-P' off of the command line?

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>If you have forgotten the sa password, you can reset the password by

>logging in as a member of the sysadmin fixed server role and using

>`sp_password`.

>http://faq.oneandone.co.uk/server/ms_windows_servers/10.html

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>Of course, if you have another account that runs as sysadmin and you use

>trusted connections, then you do not have the password lying around in

>scripts. Recommended.

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>Russell Fields

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>PS - Here is a post (from the University of Chicago!) about resetting the

>password.

><http://security.uchicago.edu/windows/mssql/index.shtml>

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>"itme" <netadmin@kolcraft.com> wrote in message

>news:0b6b01c36c98\$7f107680\$a401280a@phx.gbl...

>> SQL Newbie.

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>> I have a test server running MSDE 2000. I am trying to

>> access the database but I don't know the sa account

>> password. At a command prompt, I type `osql -U sa -P`

>> with a number of passwords and leaving it blank and it

>> returns the message "Failed login for account 'sa' "

>> *Does anyone know how I can reset this account or what
the
>> default password is for MSDE 2000? No Service Packs
have
>> been applied.
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>> Thank You
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