

Re: XP Home Recovery Console Password Problem

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"Don Cohen" <doncohen@lens-cap.nc.prestige.net> wrote in message
news:uYLYA\$FgCHA.2460@tkmsftngp09...

> *Thanks for the reply, Mark.*

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>> "Mark L. Ferguson" <marfer_mvp@yahoo.com> wrote in message
> news:#r4GK6FgCHA.1688@tkmsftngp09...

>> *You must have admin rights to change the .net passport for someone else.*

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> *I'm a bit confused, then. The *only* User on the system is Administrator
> (me), and I'm apparently logged onto that automatically each time I boot,
> with no need to enter a password. My original problem is that I can't get
> into the Recovery Console because XP is asking for a password, and it's
> apparently blank (or a carriage return, conceivably, per your original
> guess), won't accept a blank password, and doesn't accept what if I used
if*

> *I had set one up when I purchased and first ran the system.*

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> *So I'm not wanting to change anything for someone else, since I'm the only
> User, apparently logged in as Administrator. See the original posts below
> for the details, since I imagine you're replying to quite a few different
> threads.*

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> *So if I'm the only User, logged in as Administrator, does this still need
to
> be done in Safe Mode?*

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> *Sorry to prolong this, but I genuinely want to understand how this works
so*

> *I fix it right the first time, and can deal with similar problems down the*

> road on my own.
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> Don
> Photo Website at:
> <http://www.dlcphotography.net>
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> [Remove the "lens cap" for email]
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> "Don Cohen" <doncohen@lens-cap.nc.prestige.net> wrote in message
> news:eVfUsREgCHA.3964@tkmsftngp08...
>> A follow-up question, Mark:
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>> I've done a little reading on this command, and nobody else mentions
> running
>> it from Safe Mode. "Kelly's XP Korner" even includes a registry change
to
>> add "control userpasswords2" to the Control Panel.
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>> Is there some reason this particular change needs to be run within Safe
>> Mode? I'm not challenging, just wanting to better understand this
before
> I
>> do something I'm not too knowledgeable about.
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>> Thanks.
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>> [Remove the "lens cap" for email]
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>> "Mark L. Ferguson" <marfer_mvp@yahoo.com> wrote in message
>> news:#p2wa85fCHA.3596@tkmsftngp08...
>> Boot to Safe Mode.
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>> go to start/run, and type
>> 'control userpasswords2'
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>> Uncheck "Users must enter a User name and password"
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>> Fill out the dialog for Administrator with a blank password.
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>> I am guessing you actually put a carriage return in as the password.
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>> --
>> Mark L. Ferguson TabletPC MVP
>> Email address : marfer_mvp@yahoo.com Subject: "QZ" + anything

> > All email without "QZ" in the subject line will be automatically deleted.

> > marfer's notes for XP >
http://www.geocities.com/marfer_mvp/xp_notes.htm

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> > "Don Cohen" <doncohen@lens-cap.nc.prestige.net> wrote in message

> > news:OFUyUL5fCHA.1744@tkmsftngp11...

> > > I have a Gateway 700XL running XPHome. I need to be able to access the

> > > Recovery Console via booting from the XP CD (I've run into occasional

> > > hard

> > > drive issues when using Partition Magic which need to be repaired this

> > > way

> > > when I can't boot from the hard drive).

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> > > When accessing the Recovery Console (R) option during a boot from the XP

> > > CD:

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> > > 1. I'm not always asked for the Administrator Password, which seems odd,

> > > but

> > > I have gotten in previously without entering one.

> > > 2. When I am asked for it, I can't get in:

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> > > If I just hit enter as if there isn't a password (since I don't recall

> > > setting up a password when I purchased and setup the system earlier

> > > this

> > > year), it still asks for one.

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> > > If I enter the password I undoubtedly would have used if I had, it

> > > doesn't

> > > accept it.

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> > > Further information:

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> > > 1. When I access the Users applet via Control Panel, and go to

> > > Administrator (which is the only User set up on this system), I see an

> > > option to "Create" a password, but none to change it. This lead me to

> > > conclude that there is no password set up.

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> > > 2. During a normal boot from the hard drive into XP, I am never asked

> > > for

> > > any password (and I'm not running TweakUI on this system to

> > > automatically

> > > enter it). Again, this leads me to think no password is present.

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> > > So:

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> > > 1. How do I determine for sure if an Administrator Password is

present,

> > *and*

> > > *if it is, how do I find out what it is?*

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> > > *2. If there is no Administrator Password, how do I get Recovery*

Console

> *to*

> > > *let me in?*

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> > > *3. If I end up needing to create an Administrator Password, am I going*

to

> > > *have to enter it with each boot (or get TweakUI to do it)?*

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> > > *Bottom line is I don't want to change the system's current boot*

scenario,

> > > *where I don't have to enter anything, but I do need to be able to*

access

> > *the*

> > > *Recovery Console when booting from the XP CD.*

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> > > *Any help greatly appreciated.*

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> > > *[One last matter. I've read through the following MS document, but am*

not

> > > *sure this directly pertains to my situation, since I'm not needing to*

or

> > > *wanting to access the Recovery Console from the hard drive, and don't*

really

> > > *need/want it installed there:]*

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