

Re: Locked out of System

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EFS, Credentials, and Private Keys from Certificates Are Unavailable After a Password Is Reset

Windows Home XP

1. As windows is loading up press F8 repeatedly until the Windows advanced screen comes up.
2. Select safe mode (the version of windows you want to use click XP wait until it loads the welcome screen.
3. Select Administrator and it will log you on as administrator without a password (provided a password was not created in this hidden account during setup).
4. Go to Start – Control Panel – User Accounts.
5. Select your name and click change the password.

Then you should be able to change the password, shut down the computer and restart in normal mode and use the new password you just created.

If you have XP Pro on your computer:–

1. At the log in screen type " ctrl–alt–delete " twice.
 2. In the User Account, type Administrator
 3. Leave the password blank and press enter.
- (Most likely a password wasn't created in this hidden account during setup).

If you decide to set a password it is recommended that you create a Password Reset Disk by clicking on "Prevent a Forgotten Password" link in the left pane. The Wizard will guide you through.

http://www2.cajun.net/~theriots/xpsitefolder/win_xp_passwords.htm

Administrator and User Passwords in Windows XP

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;321305>

How to Log On to Windows XP If You Forget Your Password or Your Password Expires

"Sarah" <meyouand2kids@aol.com> wrote in message
news:04a401c36abb\$0ce1f770\$a301280a@phx.gbl...

- > *I have a password protected log on for my Windows XP Home*
- > *Edition, and I can't remember what the password is. How*
- > *do I reset the system to allow myself access to the*
- > *system? I am the administrator, so no one can reset it*
- > *for me. How do I either find out what the password is or*
- > *reset the system so I can put a new one in?*
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- > *Thanks a million*