

Re: Forgotten Admin. Password

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ja wrote:

I have forgotten my admin password on my home computer. My other account that is set up on my computer is set so that no downloads can be made. Does anyone know how i can get into it and reset the password (I did not do the option to save the password to a disk. I have windows xp)
thanks

Simply log in using the built-in Administrator account (which cannot be deleted) and modify the desired account(s) and use Start > Run > "control userpasswords2" to modify the desired account(s). By design, the only way to log into the Administrator account of WinXP Home is to reboot into Safe Mode. For WinXP Pro, pressing CTRL+ALT+DEL twice at the Welcome Screen will produce the standard login dialog box.

How to Log On to Windows XP If You Forget Your Password or Your Password Expires
<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;Q321305>

Failing that, Linux-based password cracking utilities abound on the Internet, freely available to anyone who can use Google.

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Bruce Chambers

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They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.
-Benjamin Franklin

Many people would rather die than think; in fact, most do. -Bertrand Russell

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