

# Re: using computer management console

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Ashish <Ashish@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

hi all  
this is my first post to the group, hoping to find a solution  
to the  
problem.

I am using Windows XP Home Edition version 2002 SP2 on my  
laptop and  
i have created 2 accounts one as an administrator for myself  
and one  
for my friend which is a limited account.  
Now i want that for this limited account my friend should not  
be able  
to change the password. For achieving this i tried to use the  
MMC in  
this case the computer management console. But the problem i  
am  
facing is that i am not getting the Local Users and Groups  
section  
under system tools section in the console.

Can anybody enlighten me why is this happening and does it  
have to be  
installed or something to be used in the console.

Regards

Keep in mind that as an administrator, you can go into the User  
Account applet in Control Panel and change his password at any  
time. Since there's no danger of losing access to encrypted  
files in XP Home, this is a much safer procedure than it is in  
XP Pro.

If you want to prevent your friend from changing the password,  
try the following.

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Open a command prompt window (Start -> Run -> enter cmd.exe in the Open box).

At the command prompt enter the following command where you substitute the name of your friends account for ACCTNAME.

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net user ACCTNAME /passwordchg:no
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For more info, take a look at this article.

How to Use the Net User Command

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/251394>

Good luck

Nepatsfan

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