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Compare windows password reset ways between windows 7 and XP by [Janet Fitch](#)

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In Windows 7, security has greatly been improved. Thus windows password reset ways for windows 7 are different from that in windows XP to some extent.

Dissimilarities

In windows XP, the built-in admin can be found in safe mode logon screen and has no password by default. Thus, you can make use of the trick to enter safe mode, and then do windows password reset in control panel, or run net user command.

In windows 7, it asks you to set a user account and its password during system installation, and then disables built-in admin automatically. Even in safe mode, you cannot enable it without administrator privileges. Therefore, the above method for windows XP is not workable for windows 7.

Similarities

Reset windows 7 and XP password by following items:

1. Another user account with administrator credentials.

If you cannot log on to Windows by using a particular user account, but you can log on to another account that has administrative credentials, follow these steps on how to do the trick: (take win 7 for example)

A. Log on to Windows by that account.

B. Click Start, and then click Run.

C. In the Open box, type "control userpasswords2", and then click OK.

D. Click the user account that you forgot the password for, and then click Reset Password.

E. Type a new password in both the New password and the Confirm new password boxes, and then click OK.

2. Password reset disk

You can create password reset disk in windows 7, vista and XP. When you input an incorrect password, click reset password below to start windows password reset by password reset disk.

3. Windows password reset tools

General speaking, users who forgot windows password have no password reset disk and another accessible admin account. The last solution is not reinstallation, but programs working for resetting windows password, such as Rekeysoft Windows Password Recovery. It can remove local user passwords and domain admin passwords in minutes for Windows 7/Vista/XP/NT/2000, and Windows Server 2008/2003, no matter how complicated your password is.

Windows 7 password reset approaches usually works for windows XP. Each one discussed above

can 100% reset your admin password.

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