

Tips for Setting Passwords

- 1. **Never use personal information** such as your name, birthday, user name, or email address. This type of information is often publicly available, which makes it easier for someone to guess your password.
- 2. Do not use pet names or family names
- 3. **Use a longer password**. Your password should be **at least six characters long**, although for extra security it should be even longer.
- 4. **Don't use the same password for each account**. If someone discovers your password for one account, all of your other accounts will be vulnerable.
- 5. Try to include **numbers**, **symbols**, and both **uppercase** and **lowercase letters**.
- 6. Avoid using words that can be **found in the dictionary**. For example, **swimming1** would be a weak password.
- 7. Ensure that nobody else knows the password set other than yourself.
- 8. Never store passwords in your browser.

Common Mistakes

Some of the most commonly used passwords are based on **family names**, **hobbies**, or just a **simple pattern**. While these types of passwords are easy to remember, they're also some of the least secure.

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