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How to Bypass BIOS Passwords

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BIOS passwords can be add extra layer of security for desktop and laptop computers, and are used to either prevent a user from changing the BIOS settings or to prevent the PC from booting without a password. BIOS passwords can also be a liability if a user forgot their passwords, or if a malicious user changes the password. Sending the unit back to the manufacturer to have the BIOS reset can be expensive and is usually not covered in an a typical warranty. However, there are a few known backdoors and other tricks of the trade that can be used to bypass or reset the BIOS password on most

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systems.

To enter the BIOS Setup try these keystrokes:

AMI BIOS: Del key during the POSTDTK BIOS: Esc key during the POST

• Award BIOS: Ctrl-Alt-Esc

• misc BIOS: Ctrl-Esc

Phoenix BIOS: Ctrl-Alt-Esc or Ctrl-Alt-S
IBM PS/2 BIOS: Ctrl-Alt-Ins after Ctrl-Alt-Del

Backdoor Passwords

Many BIOS manufacturers have provided backdoor passwords that can be used to access the BIOS setup in the event you have lost your password. These passwords are case sensitive, so you may wish to try a variety of combinations.

WARNING: Some BIOS configurations will lock you out of the system completely if you type in an incorrect password more than 3 times. Read your manufacturers documentation for the BIOS setting before you begin typing in passwords.

Award BIOS backdoor passwords:

ALFAROME	BIOSTAR	KDD	ZAAADA
ALLy	CONCAT	Lkwpeter	ZBAAACA
aLLy	CONDO	LKWPETER	ZJAAADC
aLLY	Condo	PINT	01322222
ALLY	d8on	pint	589589
aPAf	djonet	SER	589721
_award	HLT	SKY_FOX	595595
AWARD_SW	J64	SYXZ	598598
AWARD?SW	J256	syxz	
AWARD SW	J262	shift + syxz	
AWARD PW	j332	TTPTHA	
AWKWARD	j322		
awkward			

AMI BIOS Backdoor Passwords:

AMI	BIOS	PASSWORD	HEWITT RAND
AMI?SW	AMI_SW	LKWPETER	CONDO

Phoenix BIOS Backdoor Passwords:

phoenix	PHOENIX	CMOS	BIOS

Misc. Common Passwords

ALFAROME	BIOSTAR	biostar	biosstar
CMOS	cmos	LKWPETER	lkwpeter
setup	SETUP	Syxz	Wodj

Other BIOS Passwords by Manufacturer

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Manufacturer	Password
VOBIS & IBM	merlin
Dell	Dell
Biostar	Biostar
Compaq	Compaq
Enox	xo11nE
Epox	central
Freetech	Posterie
IWill	iwill
Jetway	spooml
Packard Bell	bell9
QDI	QDI
Siemens	SKY_FOX
TMC	BIGO
Toshiba	Toshiba

Toshiba BIOS

Most Toshiba laptops and some desktop systems will bypass the BIOS password if the left shift key is held down during boot

IBM Aptiva BIOS

Press both mouse buttons repeatedly during the boot

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