

Change My Password Web Part

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WHAT'S NEW

V1.0.0.0

- Initial Release

V1.1.0.0

- Minor Bug fixes
- New licensing model

INSTALLATION

- 1) Copy ChangeMyPassword.cab to a local directory on your SharePoint server.
- 2) Run stsadm.exe to register the web part the way you like:
e.g.:
STSADM.exe -o addwppack -filename C:\WebParts\ChangeMyPassword.cab -globalinstall
Please consult your SharePoint documentation or the command line help
(stsadm.exe -?) for more information about installing web parts with stsadm.exe.
- 3) Restart IIS (e.g. by running iisreset.exe)

UPGRADE FROM PREVIOUS VERSIONS

If you have a previous version of the "Change My Password" web part installed on your server, you have two options of upgrading your pages:

- 1) You replace *any* instance of the web part on *any* page with the new version.
-or-
- 2) You use the Microsoft .NET Framework 1.1 Configuration tool (can be found in the Administrative Tools on your server) to redirect the old version to the new version of the web part.

USAGE

Free vs. Full Version

The only difference between the free and the full version of "Change My Password" is that the free version shows a copyright notice at the bottom. Go to <http://sharepoint.advis.ch> to get the full version!

Platform

SharePoint Portal Server 2003

Windows SharePoint Services 2003

Known Limitations

- 1) "Change My Password" can only change the password for user accounts residing in an Active Directory domain. With this release it is not possible to change the password of a local machine user account.
- 2) If the password change fails, "Change My Password" may be able to give you the exact reason. But if you set the property "ShowDetailedErrors" to true, Change My Password will show the error message it got from Active Directory.

Overview

The Change My Password web part lets the currently logged on user change the password of his or her Active Directory account.

Web Part Properties

Place the GetUser web part on the page you want.

Set the following web part properties according to your preferences:

LabelLoggedOn

*Property name:*LabelLoggedOn

Description: Label to be shown in the left column of the logon name row.

Values: <string>

Default: "You're Logged on as:"

LabelCurrentPassword

*Property name:*LabelCurrentPassword

Description: Label to be shown in the left column of the current password input field.

Values: <string>

Default: "Current Password:"

LabelNewPassword

*Property name:*LabelNewPassword

Description: Label to be shown in the left column of the new password input field.

Values: <string>

Default: "New Password:"

LabelRetypeNewPassword

*Property name:*LabelRetypeNewPassword

Description: Label to be shown in the left column of the retype new password input field.

Values: <string>

Default: "Retype New Password:"

LabelChangePasswordButton

*Property name:*LabelChangePasswordButton

Description: Caption on change password button.

Values: <string>

Default: "Change Password"

SuccessMessage

Property name: SuccessMessage

Description: Message to be shown if the password was successfully changed.

Values: <string>

Default: "Password changed successfully"

ErrorMessagePasswordMatch

Property name: ErrorMessagePasswordMatch

Description: Error Message to be shown if the entered new passwords do not match.

Values: <string>

Default: "Error: New passwords do not match."

ErrorMessageCurrentPassword

Property name: ErrorMessageCurrentPassword

Description: Error Message to be shown if the entered current password is incorrect.

Values: <string>

Default: "Error: Authentication failed."

ErrorMessageFailed

Property name: ErrorMessageFailed

Description: Error Message to be shown if the password change failed.

Values: <string>

Default: "Error: Change password failed."

ShowDetailedErrors

Property name: ShowDetailedErrors

Description: Setting this property to true will cause Change My Password to show more detailed error messages if the password change fails.

Values: <true|false>

Default: false

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Q** When I try to change password using the "Change My Password" web part. I get following error.
"Error: Change password failed.
[A constraint violation occurred.]"
I have installed WSS on windows 2003 DC. In the domain policy the password settings are minimum password length to 4 chars.
- A** In the domain security policy, the minimum password age was set to "not defined", I changed that to 0 days so that I can change password. Now I have checked, I can change the password.
- Q** Is it possible to change the password of the user on 2 different domains at the same time?
I've an ISA Server on a domain, and a standalone with SharePoint on another.
I've created the same logins (In the local users list) on the ISA server to improve the security (my users are authenticated through ISA Server for some access) .
So if the user will change its password, I want to change it on the 2 servers.
- A** Sorry, the "Change My Password" webpart is intended to change the password of your ActiveDirectory account. Not of a local computer account, nor is it possible to change the password of two accounts.
- Q** I can only change the password one time... The second time, I get the message "Error: Change password failed". The error message also says that the password doesn't correspond to the criteria (length, complexity...) but it does...
- A** Please check your Active Directory password policy (Default Domain Policy - Computer Configuration - Windows Settings - Security Settings - Account Policies - Password Policy).
- Probably there is a minimum password age policy set.
- Q** We set the minimal password age policy of domain2 to 0 and then we synchronized the AD domain controllers, but we are still having the same problem.
- A** Make sure you changed the minimal password age in the "Domain Security Policy" and NOT the "Domain Controller Security Policy".