

## **Directory Web Passwords for UNIX Accounts**

You can assign unique userIDs and passwords to control user access to various web directories. You can see this in action when you access your own Control Panel: when you try to access Control Panel, you are prompted for your userID and password. Note that the actual web pages are not password-protected. Rather, the directory containing those pages is password-protected.

This document shows you how to password protect directories so that only those users with the proper permissions can access the web pages in those directories.

### **Example:**

A software developer is making several programs available for downloading. However, only those visitors who have paid for the service should be allowed access to the download page. To control access, the page is placed in a directory that is password-protected. Instead of distributing a single password, unique userIDs and passwords are assigned and removed as needed.

### **Non-FrontPage Users**

1. Using your web authoring software, create the directory that you want to password protect.
2. Go to your account's Control Panel by typing either your domain name or your IP address into your web browser's **Address** text box as follows:

`www.<domain_name>/stats/`

(For example, `www.wishbonevertigo.com/stats/`)

or...

`<IP_address>/stats/`

(For example, `123.123.123.123/stats/`)

Be sure to substitute your actual domain name or IP address accordingly. Then, press **Enter**. A password dialog box will be displayed.

3. In the password dialog box, enter your account's username and password. Then, click **OK**. Your Control Panel will be displayed.
4. In Control Panel, click **Web Passwords**.
5. Enter the name of the directory that you created in Step 1 and click **Load**. The first time you use the **Web Passwords** function, the page will reload and an **Add/Modify user for directory:** option will display near the bottom of the page. Add users as necessary. If you have already added users, the **Remove user for directory:** option will also be displayed. As you maintain the **List of users**, the userIDs will be updated and displayed.

After adding a user through the **Web Passwords** feature, you can run a simple test to see if the directory is actually password-protected. To test whether access to the directory is now password-protected, create a new HTML document or copy an existing one into the directory. Then, use a web browser to go to that page. If a password is required, you have successfully implemented the **Web Passwords** feature.

### **Microsoft® FrontPage Users:**

1. While in FrontPage, log in to your server. For information on how to log in to your server, please read [Logging into a Server through FrontPage](#).
2. After you have logged into your server, create the directory you want to password protect.
3. Right-click the directory you created and then click **Convert to Web**. A caution dialog box will be displayed.
4. In the caution dialog box, answer "Are you sure you want to do this?" by clicking **Yes**.
5. Double-click the directory that you created. A new FrontPage window will be displayed.
6. On the menu bar, click **Tools**. Then, select **Security**.
7. Click **Permissions**. The **Permissions** dialog box will display.
8. In Permissions, click Use unique permissions for this web.
9. Click **Apply**.
10. Click the **Users** tab and select **Only registered users have browse access**.
11. Click **Apply**.
12. Click **Add**. The **Add Users** dialog box will display.
13. In the **Add Users** dialog box, enter the **Name** and **Password** of the user to whom you are giving permissions.
14. Confirm the users password by retyping it in the **Confirm Password** text box.
15. In the **Allow Users to** section, select the permissions that you want granted to the user.
16. To save your changes, click **OK**. You will be returned to the **Permissions** dialog box. Click **OK**.

For answers to frequently asked questions about FrontPage, please read [FAQs & Highlights for FrontPage 2000](#) or [FAQs & Highlights for FrontPage 2002](#). For detailed information on how to use FrontPage's many web site editing features, please refer to the **Help** function in FrontPage.

**\*\*\* Important \*\*\***

- For FrontPage-based web sites, use **only** the features available through the FrontPage **Permissions** dialog box to password protect your directories. Do not use the **Web Passwords** option in your web hosting accounts Control Panel. Using that option may corrupt your FrontPage sites extensions.
- Do not password protect any system directories such as "stats" or "cgi-local". Our password access control feature CANNOT be used to create additional FTP userIDs and passwords.