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To reset the BIOS admin password on a Dell laptop, one can use the following four simple methods: Dell's BIOS password stands for Basic Input/Output System and it is a firmware embedded in the chip of the motherboard. When the computer boots, BIOS is the first software to run and is responsible for waking up the computer's hardware components, making sure they are working properly. If you forgot your Dell laptop's BIOS password accidentally, then you may fail to start the system and need to clear or reset it. The three main types of passwords that can be set in BIOS of a Dell computer are: 1. System or User Password: This type of password is required to log in to the computer and prevent unauthorized use. 2. Setup or Admin Password: When accessing and changing BIOS settings, this password is needed to prevent unauthorized changes. 3. HDD Password: To access the hard drive and boot into the OS, you need this password. Here are four ways to reset your Dell default BIOS password: **Way 1:** Reset Dell BIOS Password Via the Service Manuals The first way to reset the Dell default BIOS password is to use the service manuals provided by Dell. Here's how: - Go to the Dell Manuals website and enter your service tag, Express Service Code, or serial number. - Search for the manual related to your laptop model and click on View PDF or View Page next to it. - Navigate to the BIOS setup program section and clear forgotten passwords by following the on-screen instructions. **Way 2:** Reset Dell BIOS Password Via PSWD Jumper Another way is to use the PSWD jumper reset in BIOS. Follow these steps carefully: - Turn off your computer, disconnect it from power sources, and locate the CMOS or NVRAM. - Remove the PSWD jumper plug from the password pins. - Power on your computer without the jumper plug, clear the Dell default BIOS password, and replace the jumper plug. **Way 3:** Reset Dell BIOS Password via a Pass Code Some users have reported success with resetting their BIOS passwords by using pass codes. Here's how: - Press F2 or F12 to enter BIOS settings. - Unlock button in BIOS settings, note down the System Number. - Type the System Number into the Clear unknown BIOS passwords website and get the corresponding password. **Way 4:** Reset Dell BIOS Password by Contacting Technical Support Resetting a BIOS password cannot be done via simple methods. For assistance, you can contact Dell Technical Support to receive a password release code based on your unique prompt. Now that we've illustrated these four ways to reset your Dell default BIOS password, choose the one that works best for you and follow the steps accordingly. Found chipset: "AMD SB7x0/SB8x0/SB9x0". Enabling flash write... OK. Found Macronix flash chip "MX25L3205(A)" (4096 kB, SPI) mapped at physical address 0x00000000ffc00000. Found Macronix flash chip "MX25L3205D/MX25L3208D" (4096 kB, SPI) mapped at physical address 0x00000000ffc00000. Found Macronix flash chip "MX25L3206E/MX25L3208E" (4096 kB, SPI) mapped at physical address 0x00000000ffc00000. Found Macronix flash chip "MX25L3273E" (4096 kB, SPI) mapped at physical address 0x00000000ffc00000. Multiple flash chip definitions match the detected chip(s): "MX25L3205(A)", "MX25L3205D/MX25L3208D", "MX25L3206E/MX25L3208E", "MX25L3273E" Returning to the DELL support site there is an 11.55GB download: "Windows Embedded 8 Standard for Wyse 5010 thin client-Build Number 0930". (File name is FDF0_0930_32GB.EXE). After unpacking this file with 7zip you will find a file bios.img that gunzips to a 4MB file. So at some point in its life DELL/Wyse moved the Windows versions of the Dx0 to a 4MB BIOS chip and UEFI. As noted above my examples, be they Linux or WES7, have a 2MB BIOS chip and a standard legacy BIOS. Booting The Boot Tab listed: USB HDD SATA 0: SanDisk SSD P4 8GB SATA 1: PXE LAN: Realtek PXE B04 D00 USB CD-ROM: USB FDC: Any pendrives you have plugged in will appear under the USB HDD entry. I did note that there is another entry under the Advanced tab which read Boot from USB which could be set to Enabled or Disabled. Something to bear in mind if you find you can't boot from USB. I had an 8GB SSD fitted in place of the standard 2GB one when I checked this BIOS entry. You can also bring up a one-time boot menu without fiddling with the BIOS settings: Plug in the USB key to the D10DP. Press the power button to power it on. Press and hold the P key on the keyboard. This brings up the Boot Menu. In my case it showed: USB HDD SanDisk Cruzer Blade SATA 0: SanDisk SSD P4 8GB PXE LAN:Realtek PXE B04 D00 The cursor up and cursor down keys let you pick what you want to boot. The Tab key switches you between the Boot menu and the App menu. In my case there is just one entry in the App menu - Setup - which is the standard BIOS Setup utility. System Firmware The D10DP is running Thin OS with PCoIP support. As the D10D is running Wyse's Thin OS there are NO downloads on their website for updated firmware. Support for Thin OS requires a support contract before you can download anything. I haven't tried it yet but I assume you can download a firmware package for one of the other D-class models and extract just the BIOS from it if that's all you are after. [September 2022] An updated BIOS (D10G_bios.bin) can be found on the Wyse support pages. This binary image can be written to the Dx0D using flashrom. BIOS Supervisor Password An email in September 2022 prompted this addition. My correspondent had found himself locked out of the BIOS. When trying to get in he was presented with the following prompt: The "Hint Number" in the password prompt indicates that there is a recovery mechanism. However use of this isn't necessary. All you need to do is to use link CN4400 to clear the CMOS. When you power up again and try to enter the BIOS it is slightly confusing as you're presented with exactly the same style of prompt with a 'Hint Number' which implies that nothing has changed. It has. The password has been changed back to Fireport and that should get you into the BIOS. Any comments? email me. Added March 2017 Last update January 2023 Power on the Wyse device and immediately hit the "Del" key to bring up the bios setup Enter the password "Fireport" Change the boot order sequence to allow USB Floppy and USB Hard disks to be at the top of the boot order. Save you changes and exit. ###

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