

# Initial Password How to Guide

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## Overview

This document outlines how to configure an Initial Password from a data source for a new user in PINsafe

Note: Configuring a default value for a Password may be a security risk and is **NOT RECOMMENDED** unless each default Password is unique and cannot be read by other users. It is recommended to use the randomly generated Password.

For further information on using Passwords with PINsafe see: [Password How to Guide](#)

## Prerequisites

PINsafe

Password number in Data Source repository

## Creating an Initial Password

### Configure the Default Password Attribute on the data Source

1. On the Data Source locate a suitable attribute for the initial Password. For Active Directory this can be a new or existing LDAP attribute.
2. Populate the attribute for each user with the default Password value.

### Configure the default Password attribute on PINsafe

1. On the PINsafe Administration console select Repository then the repository name.
2. Enter the Repository Data Source **Password attribute**:, this is an LDAP attribute for that user configured above.
3. Wait for an automatic synchronisation of the data source or select under User Administration the repository and click on Sync Now.

## Testing

Test authentication using the Password.

## Known Issues

## Troubleshooting