

# How to activate the hidden Admin account on Windows 7/8/10

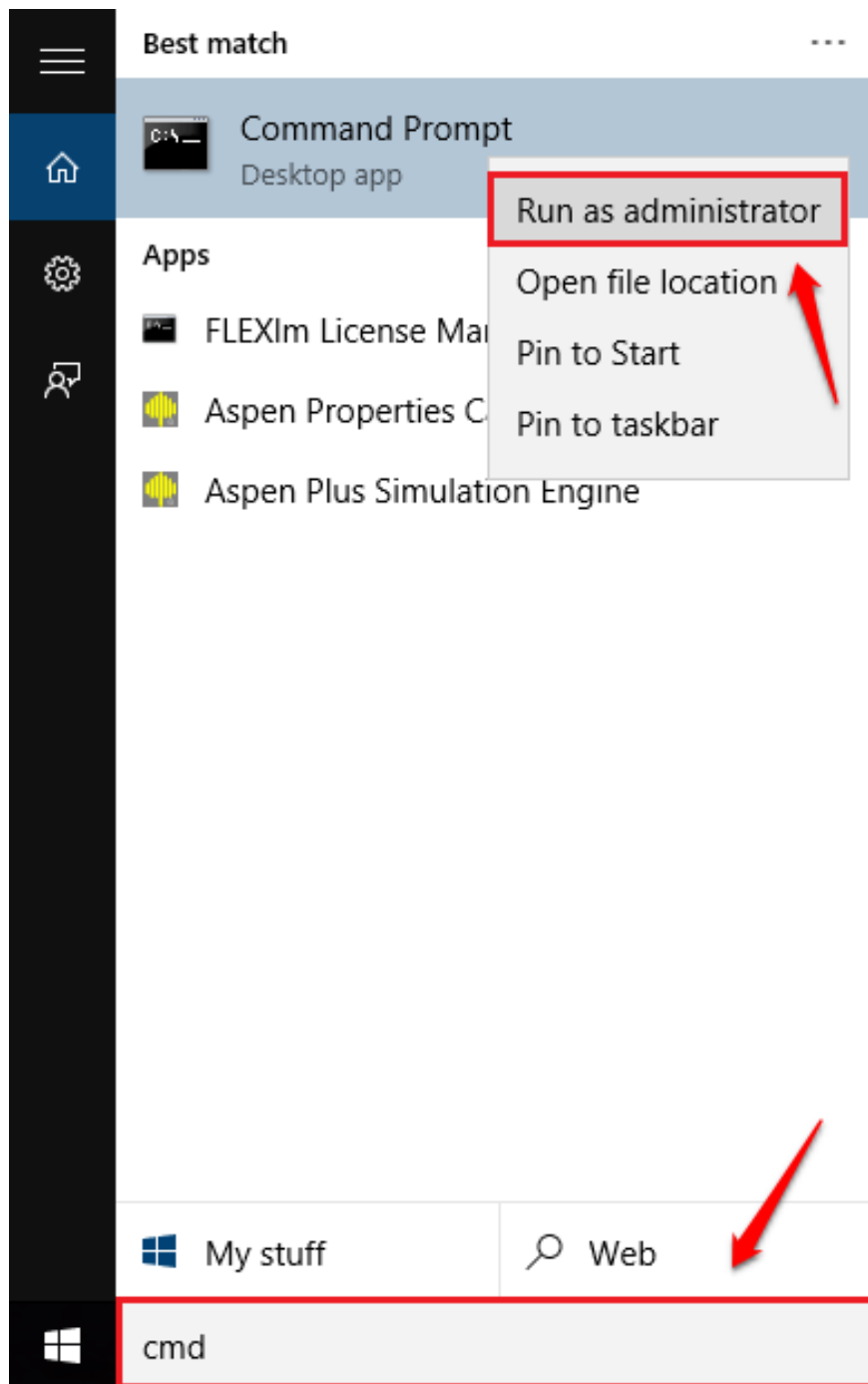
Microsoft has hidden Admin accounts in Windows 7, 8, 10 or Vista operating systems to ensure the system is not tampered with and affected by user settings. However, when used, many programs require running under Admin.

In Windows 7, 8, 10 or Vista operating systems, Microsoft hides the Admin account to ensure that the system is not deeply interfered and affected by user settings.

However, during the process you use, many required programs run under Admin. In the article below, Network Administrator will show you how to activate the hidden Admin account on Windows 7, 8 and Windows 10.

## Step 1:

First open the Command Prompt under Admin. To do this, enter **cmd** in the Search box on the Start Menu. On the search results list, right-click **Command Prompt** and select **Run as administrator**.



## Step 2:

To view all of your Windows accounts, enter the following command into the Command Prompt window and press Enter:

```
net user
```

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Administrator: Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7600]
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C:\Windows\system32>net user
User accounts for \\SONA-DELL
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Administrator      Dell                Guest
UpdatesUser       UUSR_MV_DELL
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>_
```

### Step 3:

Next, activate the hidden Admin account. To do this, copy and paste the following command into the Command Prompt window and press Enter:

```
net user administrator / active: yes
```

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The command completed successfully.

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The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>_
```

### Step 4:

By default, the hidden Admin account is not set up for password protection, but if you wish, you can easily set a password for the hidden Admin account.

To do this, copy and paste the command below into the Command prompt:

```
net user administrator *
```

You will now be asked to enter the password for the Admin account. Your task is to enter the password you want to create and confirm the password.

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The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator /active:yes
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator *
Type a password for the user:
Retype the password to confirm:
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>
```

## Step 5:

In addition, you can easily disable the Admin account by entering the following command into the Command Prompt window:

```
net user administrator / active: no
```

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The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator /active:yes
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator *
Type a password for the user:
Retype the password to confirm:
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator /active:no
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>
```

From now on the Admin account will be disabled (disabled) and not displayed on the login screen.

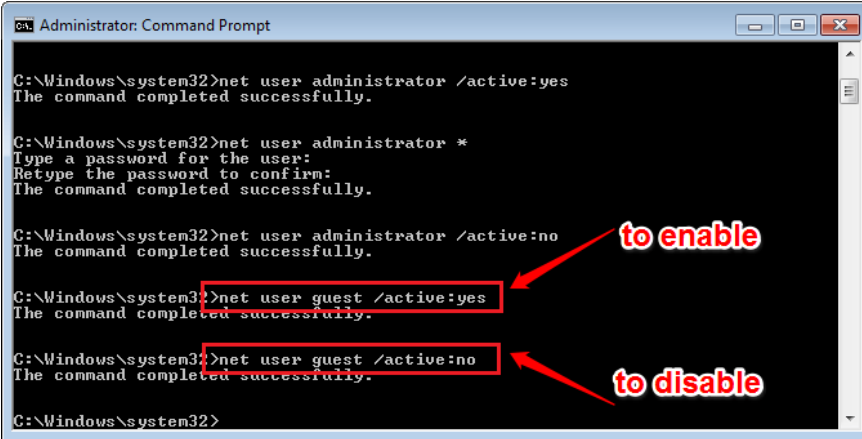
## Step 6:

Just like activating an Admin account, you can easily activate a Guest account on your Windows computer. Just enter the command below into the Command Prompt window and press Enter:

```
net user guest / active: yes
```

If you want to disable the Guest account, use the following command:

```
net user guest / active: no
```



```
Administrator: Command Prompt
C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator /active:yes
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator *
Type a password for the user:
Retype the password to confirm:
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user administrator /active:no
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user guest /active:yes
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>net user guest /active:no
The command completed successfully.

C:\Windows\system32>
```

The screenshot shows a Windows Command Prompt window with several net user commands. The command `net user administrator /active:yes` is highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to the text "to enable". The command `net user guest /active:yes` is also highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to the text "to enable". The command `net user administrator /active:no` is highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to the text "to disable". The command `net user guest /active:no` is also highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to the text "to disable".

## You can refer to more:

1. How to switch to Vietnamese interface for Windows 7
2. How to open and view photos on Windows 10?
3. Small tips to help you master Windows Phone 8.1

## Good luck!

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