

How to use Credential Manager in Windows 10

In Windows 10, Credential Manager stores logins for websites, applications and networks when you select the option to save information. to log in in the future.

Credential Manager is not new. It has been around for a long time and not only allows you to save your username and password, but also allows you to view, delete, add, backup and restore login information.

In this tutorial, you will learn the steps to use Credential Manager on Windows 10 to manage all your login information.

Edit existing login information using Credential Manager

To update the password or username stored on Windows 10, follow these steps:

Step 1. Open Control Panel on Windows 10.

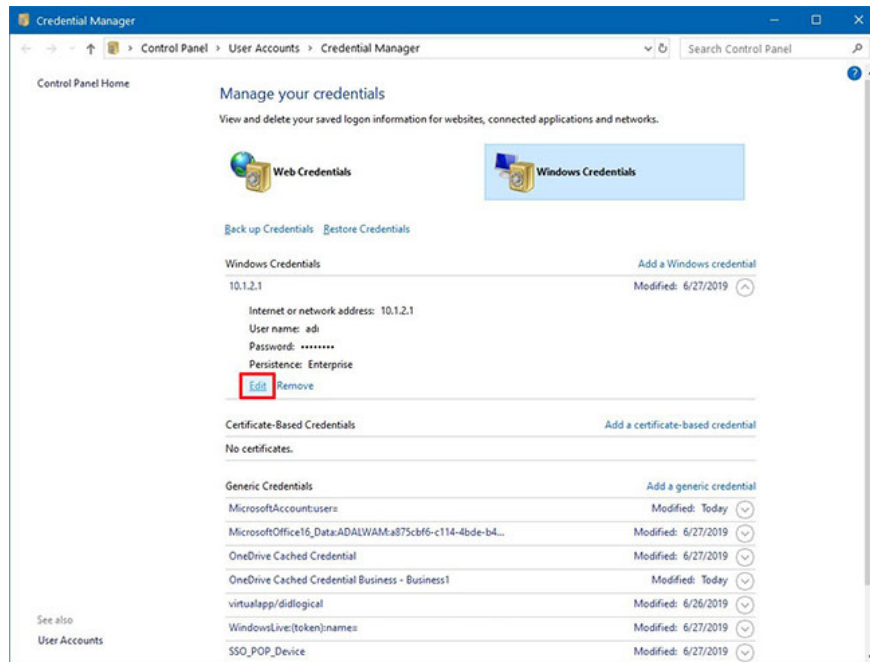
Step 2. Click **User Accounts**.

Step 3. Click **Credential Manager**.

Step 4 Click the **Windows Credentials** tab (or **Web Credentials**).

Step 5. Select an account.

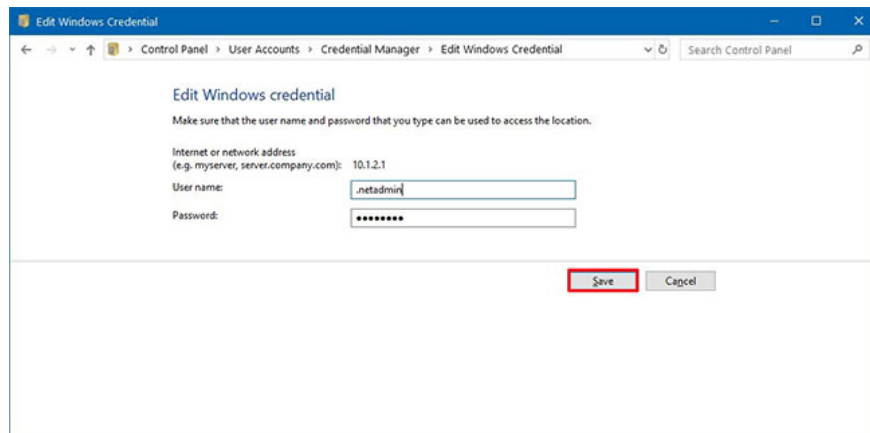
Step 6. Click the **Edit** button .



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Step 7. Update your username and password as needed.

Step 8. Click the **Save** button .



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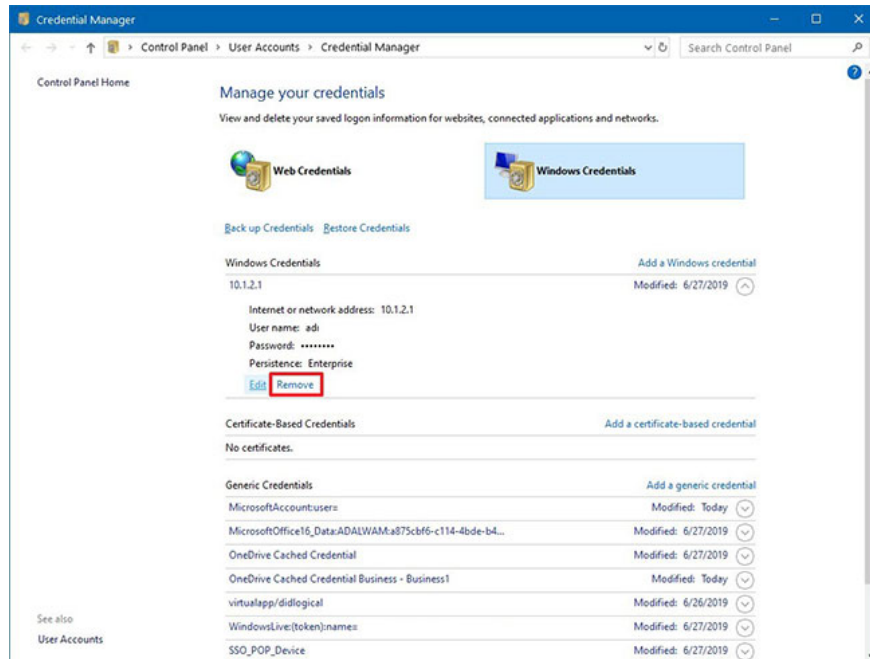
When you complete the steps, the new login information will be updated, which means that there are no more login prompts if you initially saved the wrong username or password or the login information has changed.

Delete login credentials with Credential Manager

Delete account credentials that are stored on Windows 10, follow these steps:

1. Open **Control Panel**.
2. Click **User Accounts**.

3. Click **Credential Manager**.
4. Click the **Windows Credentials** tab (or **Web Credentials**).
5. Select an account.
6. Click the **Remove** button .



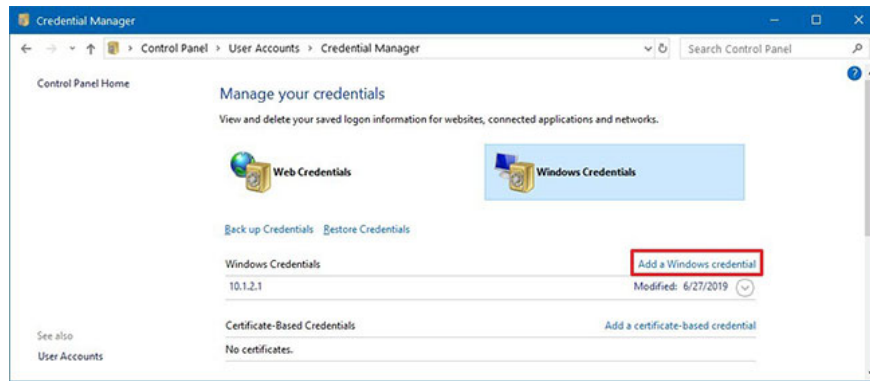
- Click the Remove button
7. Click the **Yes** button .

After you complete the steps, the account login information will no longer be available on the device, meaning you will be asked to enter your username and password when logging in in the future.

Add new login information with Credential Manager

To add apps or network info on Windows 10, follow these steps:

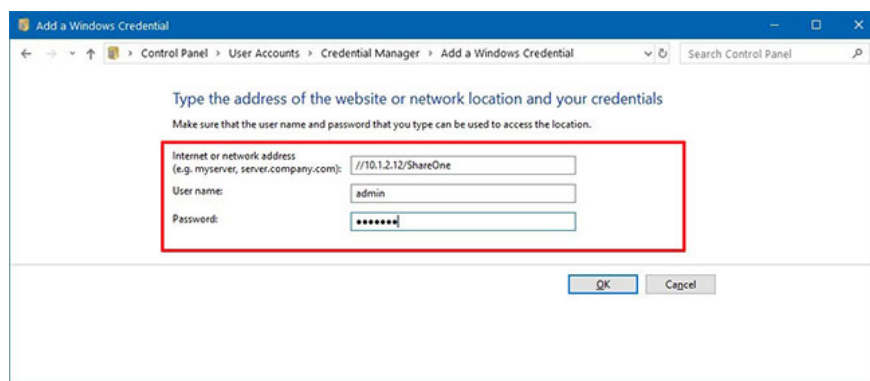
1. Open **Control Panel**.
2. Click **User Accounts**.
3. Click **Credential Manager**.
4. Click the **Windows Credentials** tab .
5. Click the **Add a Windows credential** (or **Add a certificate-based credential**) option.



Click the Add a Windows credential option

6. Specify the Internet or network address corresponding to the application resource or network.

7. Specify a username and password for authentication.



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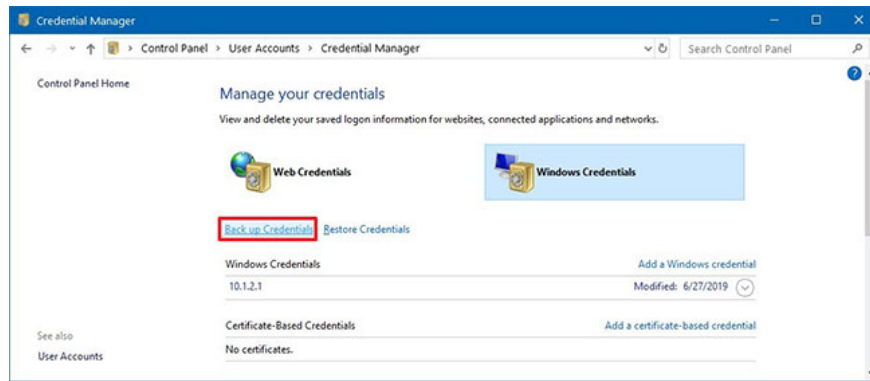
8. Click the **OK** button .

When you complete the steps, new account information will be added to the device to log in automatically the next time you access shared apps or networks.

Backup login information with Credential Manager

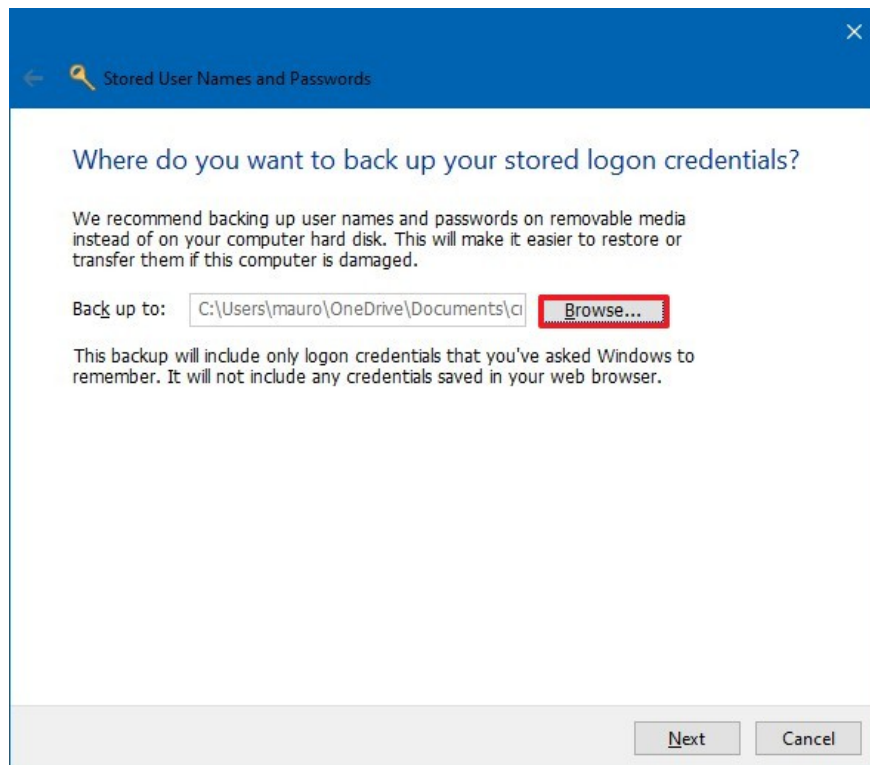
To export and back up all login credentials for applications and networks, follow these steps:

1. Open **Control Panel**.
2. Click **User Accounts**.
3. Click **Credential Manager**.
4. Click the **Windows Credentials** tab .
5. Click the **Back up Credentials** option.



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6. Click the **Browse** button to specify the destination for the backup.



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7. Specify a name for the backup file .crd.

8. Click the **Save** button .

9. Click the **Next** button .

10. Use shortcuts **Ctrl+ Alt+ Delet**eto continue.

11. Specify a password to protect the Credential Manager file on Windows 10.

12. Click the **Next** button .

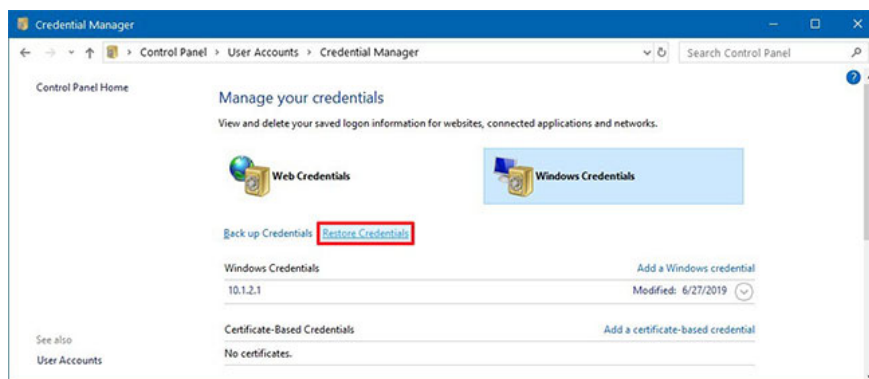
13. Click the **Finish** button .

After completing the steps, you will end up with a .crd file containing all the web and Windows 10 information that you can enter into another computer or onto the same device after a 'clean' installation.

Recover login information with Credential Manager

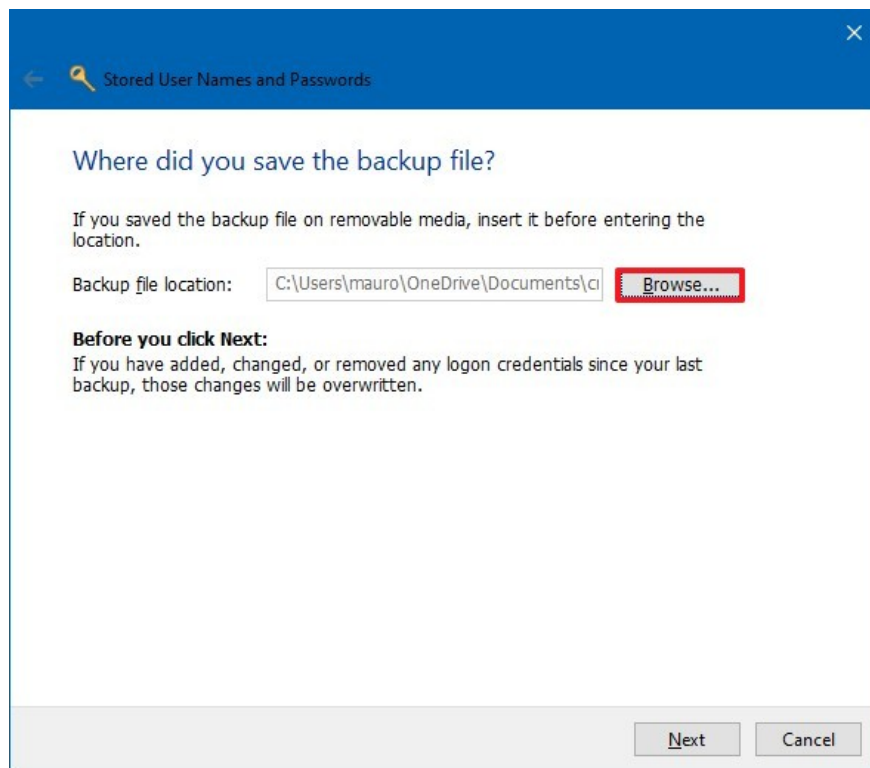
To restore login information from a backup on Windows 10, follow these steps:

1. Open **Control Panel**.
2. Click **User Accounts**.
3. Click **Credential Manager**.
4. Click the **Windows Credentials** tab .
5. Click the **Restore Credentials** option .



Click on the Restore Credentials option

6. Click the **Browse** button .



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7. Select the .crd file with backup information.

8. Click the **Open** button .

9. Click the **Next** button .

10. Use shortcuts **Ctrl+Alt+Delete** to continue.

11. Enter the password to unlock Credential Manager backup.

12. Click the **Next** button .

13. Click the **Finish** button .

When you complete this step, all your web, application and network information will be restored on the device.

Although this tutorial focuses on Windows 10, Credential Manager is available for a long time, which means the steps can also be applied on Windows 8.1 and Windows 7.

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