

# KPN Security Policy



## KSP – Rule

Title	<b>Password Security</b>	<p>The diagram illustrates the hierarchy of security documents. It starts with 'Top level policy (mandatory)' at the top, followed by 'Standards (mandatory)', then 'Rules (mandatory)', 'Guidelines (supporting)', and finally 'Tools (supporting)'. Arrows indicate a downward flow from policy to standards, and then from standards to rules, guidelines, and tools.</p>
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### Summary

This document contains the requirements regarding passwords, like length, complexity, lock out, reset and distribution.

Scope limitation: The KSP rules in this document will only be a guideline for customer accounts. Newly developed systems with customer accounts need to be able to comply with these KSP requirements, this to ensure that new systems are future proof.

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<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R01													
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<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R02
<b>Title</b>	<u>Password complexity</u>
<b>Description</b>	<p>Systems must support passwords containing numbers and special characters (!@#\$%^&amp;*()_+ ~- =\`{}[]:~&lt;&gt;?.,/, ) as well as upper and lowercase characters.</p> <p>Systems must enforce passwords that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not contain more than 2 identical characters in a row (i.e. not "aaa");</li> <li>- Contain at least 1 special character and number.</li> </ul> <p>This requirement does not apply when using additional protection in the form of one time passwords (by means of token or SMS).</p> <p>For older systems unable to meet these requirements KSP-FA05-RL01-R05 (maximum password age) must be enforced.</p>
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<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R06
<b>Title</b>	<u>Hide password on screen</u>
<b>Description</b>	Passwords must not be visible on the screen in clear text during the login procedure (use obfuscation such as ***** and include confirmation field when defining passwords to avoid errors.
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R07
<b>Title</b>	<u>Account lockout</u>
<b>Description</b>	Account must be locked for at least 15 minutes after five failed logon attempts.
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R08
<b>Title</b>	<u>Login / logout logging</u>
<b>Description</b>	Account logon attempts (successful and failed), logouts and lockouts must be logged.
<b>Relating document</b>	KSP-FA05-RL06 - Logging and monitoring

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R09
<b>Title</b>	<u>Configurable passwords</u>
<b>Description</b>	Passwords must not be hardcoded in software, but made changeable/configurable.
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A



<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R10
<b>Title</b>	<u>Password transmission</u>
<b>Description</b>	Before a password is transmitted, the transport channel must be encrypted.
<b>Relating document</b>	KSP-FA05-ST03 - Network and communication security

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R11
<b>Title</b>	<u>Password storage</u>
<b>Description</b>	<p>For user accounts:          Passwords must be stored irreversible encrypted format (hashed) and salted (to prevent cracking hashed password using “rainbow tables”).</p> <p>For password keeping tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The password for the tool should comply with all requirements in KSP-FA05-RL01.</li> <li>- Passwords in the tool’s database should be protected with encryption and use message integrity to prevent tampering conform KSP-FA05-RL07-R14 (Encryption Algorithms) and KSP-FA05-RL07-RL18 (Hash Algorithms).</li> </ul>
<b>Relating document</b>	KSP-FA05-RL07 - Cryptography

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R12
<b>Title</b>	<u>Password reset procedure for applications</u>
<b>Description</b>	In case of a forgotten application password, the password must be reset and sent to the user's known (corporate) e-mail address or mobile phone number.
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R13
<b>Title</b>	<u>Password reset procedure for network account</u>
<b>Description</b>	<p>In case of a forgotten password of an account that is used to access e-mail, the user must be identified first, after which the password must be reset and communicated to the user in a secure manner.</p> <p>Identification can be done for example using security questions. Communicating passwords in a secure manner can be done over the phone, via SMS or through a password reset system.</p>
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R14
<b>Title</b>	<u>Initial passwords</u>
<b>Description</b>	<p>Systems must enforce a user to change an initially provided password (passwords not defined by the user, e.g. passwords provided by the Service Desk) at first usage.</p> <p>The initial password provided to end users does not need to meet the complexity rules (KSP-FA05-RL01-R02), with reservation that it is unique and must be changed at first login into a password that does meet the requirements.</p> <p>This includes changing default passwords a system or application comes with before the system or application is put to use.</p> <p>A reset password procedure must never reapply the initial password.</p>
<b>Relating document</b>	Requirement: KSP-FA05-RL01-R02 (Password complexity)

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R15
<b>Title</b>	<u>Distribution of account name and password</u>
<b>Description</b>	Account names and passwords must be sent in separate electronic or hardcopy messages.
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R16
<b>Title</b>	<u>System feedback of failed login</u>
<b>Description</b>	Systems must respond with a generic message when a logon fails (e.g. "username or password is incorrect").
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A

<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R17
<b>Title</b>	<u>Use of biometrics for authentication</u>
<b>Description</b>	<p>Biometrics are allowed as part of multi factor authentication process, but not as the sole means of access control.</p> <p>Exception is for access to end-user devices. For end-user devices it is allowed to use just biometrics for authentication provided that to get access to corporate data from the end-user device (for instance mail or business applications) additional authentication is required.</p>
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A



<b>ID</b>	KSP-FA05-RL01-R18
<b>Title</b>	<u>Display last login information</u>
<b>Description</b>	<p>When a user logs in to the application or system he must be shown his last login information (time/date of his last login).</p> <p>If this requirement cannot be met KSP-FA05-RL01-R05 (Maximum password age) must be enforced.</p>
<b>Relating document</b>	N/A