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FreeBSD pw command examples

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Q. How do I use FreeBSD pw command to add users?

A. The pw command is a command-line based editor for the system user and group files, allowing the superuser an easy to use and standardized way of adding, modifying and removing users and groups.

Add user called tom

To add a user called tom, enter:

```
# pw useradd -n tom -s /bin/csh -m
# passwd tom
```

Where,

- -n tom : Username
- -s /bin/csh : Set shell
- -m : Create and setup home directory /home/tom

Delete a user called tom

Enter the command:

```
# pw userdel -n tom -r
```

Note that -r option remove home directory & its contents.

Getting help with pw command

For a summary of options available with each command, you can use
pw [command] help

For example, lists all available options for the useradd operation.

```
# pw useradd help
# man pw
```

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