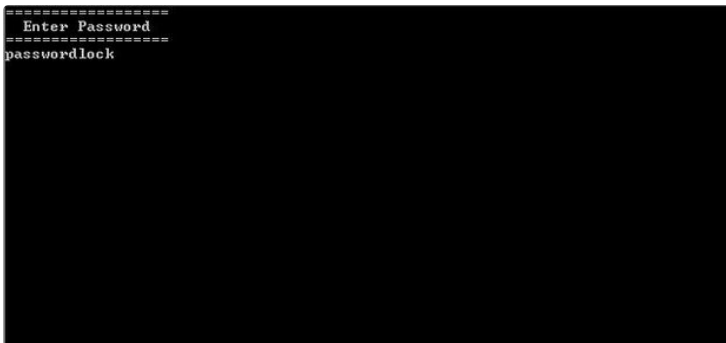# How to Put a Password on Any USB Flashdrive

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The following steps are a great way to put a password on any USB flash drive. The following is a .bat file and is fairly simple to make. [Only works on windows]

This also works on regular windows files. Just adapt the steps to the folder you want to hide instead of the flash drive.

Warning:

I am not responsible for any lost and corrupted files. I highly suggest you back up your files before continuing.

Step 1: Move Your Folders

First, plug in your drive, and go to the flash drive's folder. Then create a new folder. Lets name this folder "Lock." Now move all the files you wish to hide into "Lock." Make sure "Lock" is still on the flash drive.

Step 2: Hide Your Folder

Now, open CMD (if you don't know what this is and want to learn check out my instructable on it) type in "g:" hit enter and type "attrib Lock +s +h" (if you have a folder name other than "Lock" use the name of your folder) this should now make you folder "disappear." The folder is now invisible. Although still accessible, it cannot be seen

unless the specific folder path is typed in.

Step 3: Actual Batch Coding

Open notepad and paste the following script:

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@echo off
title Orange Shadow's Folder Lock set pass= [your
password here!]

color a

echo----Enter Password----

set /p ui= if %ui%==%pass% (goto open)

echo Wrong Password! pause

exit :open start Lock
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There are two variables here:

Where it says in bold "[your password here!]" change
it to what you want your password to be.

Then there is "Lock" go ahead and change the name
to what your new folder's name is.

Save this script as a .bat file. To do this, go to save
as, and after the name of the title, type ".bat" For
example, "Password.bat"

Save this where ever you want, preferably on the
flash drive itself.

Step 4: Voila

Now, to access that hidden folder, open the bat file, enter the password, and the hidden file will open.

Step 5: Turning Into an .exe

The thing about having a .bat file is that you can
easily edit the script, making it accessible to anyone.
Making this project is more of a novelty than actual
"security."

However, There is a solution. Turning the .bat in a

.exe (Windows executable program).

To do this click this link here and download the
program (or use any other .bat to .exe converter you
wish). Follow the procedures, and you should be set.

Sorry to bother you, I just wanted to ask if you know how to remove it? I want to switch to Linux,
but since it only works on Windows I wouldn't be able to access my files :$

I followed your instructions to the end...
The file is hidden and when I put the password it was not opening ......Again it show to put password again .....
I can't able to find my file

Hi, I was viewing this and made flether-1's version a little easier to use

@echo off

title Drive Locked

color 2

:0

echo================ & echo Enter Password & echo ================

set /p password=

if %password%==YOURPASSWORDHERE goto :1

echo Wrong Password

pause

goto :0

:1

echo Success!

pause

(START \YOURFOLDERNAMEHERE)

Oh my god thank you so much for this updated version. I used the other one and couldn't open my file and spent several hours trying to fix it myself before looking through these. The original kept givving me error mesages.

i used this code. thanks bro.

i typed g: in cmd but its says
The system cannot find the drive specified.

I got the password box working.. My question is, how would i hide the letters of the password under astrix, so someone behind me or walking by when i access the password box does not see my password?

before the set/p... insert 1 row with xxx color ef xxx and in correct and wrong answer insert one row in between color 0 when entering password the screen goes yellow and text is white, you will not see anything, type the password and you should be good, btw insert xxx pause xxx after xxx echo ---enter password--- xxx ps i added my batch file as image http://prnt.sc/f0qih4

```
:A
color a
title Enter Passkey!
cls
echo ------- Enter Passkey! -------
pause
title ENTERING PASSKEY
cls
color ef
setip "pass="
if NOT %pass%== R3rasmus goto :FAIL
cls
start RealUSB
goto :end
:FAIL
color a
title Wrong Passkey! Try Again?
cls
echo Wrong Passkey! Try Again?
pause
goto :A
:end
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I too had this question, but unfortunately, I don't think it is possible. Batch is a pretty simple language, and of course has it's limitations, this being one of them. Thanks for checking out my instructable!

pahelp naman po pls. sa thesis namin need po namin ng codes para malock ung external hard drive then dapat di pwede mareformat hanggat mali ung password. thank you ??

Folder Lock is a convenient tool to add password to any folder on Windows. The steps are simple and the protection is quite secure. You can follow the steps in here: http://www.imoresoft.com/folder-lock.html

File Folder performs better than the above tool because it has a much cleaner user interface instead of command line. You can check out: http://www.imoresoft.com/folder-lock.html

Fixed his code and made some adjustments if anyone is interested. Just change the bold "test" to whatever you want your password to be and change the E:\Files to the drive letter and folder name.

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@echo off
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title Drive Locked
color b
echo================ & echo Enter Password & echo ================

set /p password=
if %password%==test (START E:\Files)

echo Wrong Password pause

exit :Files
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i encounter error.. "Enter is not part of external or internal command" :'(

where do i need to save the notepad i created? do i need to have the program installed?

i am stuck on step 2 please help