

# Top Security Tips an Intune Admin Should Know

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#### Topics

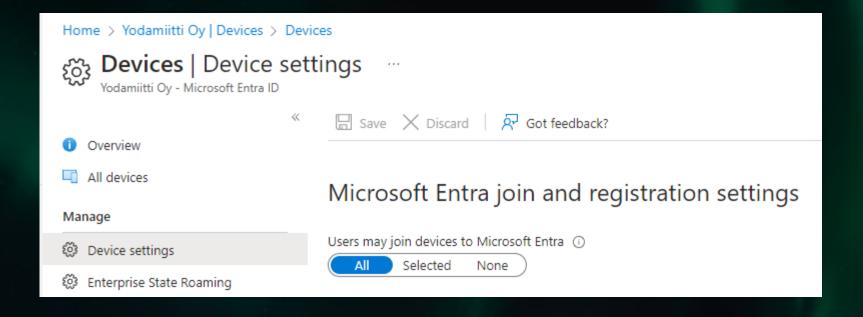
- Enrollment restrictions
- Admin permissions
- Windows LAPS
- Bitlocker
- Autopilot
- Intune logs
- Summary



- 1. Entra ID join
- 2. Automatic enrollment to Intune
- 3. Device enrollment restrictions



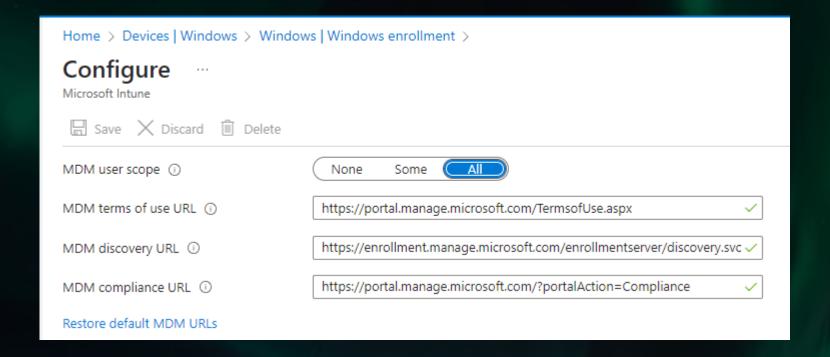
- Who can join device to Entra ID
- Add users who are doing Autopilot enrollments



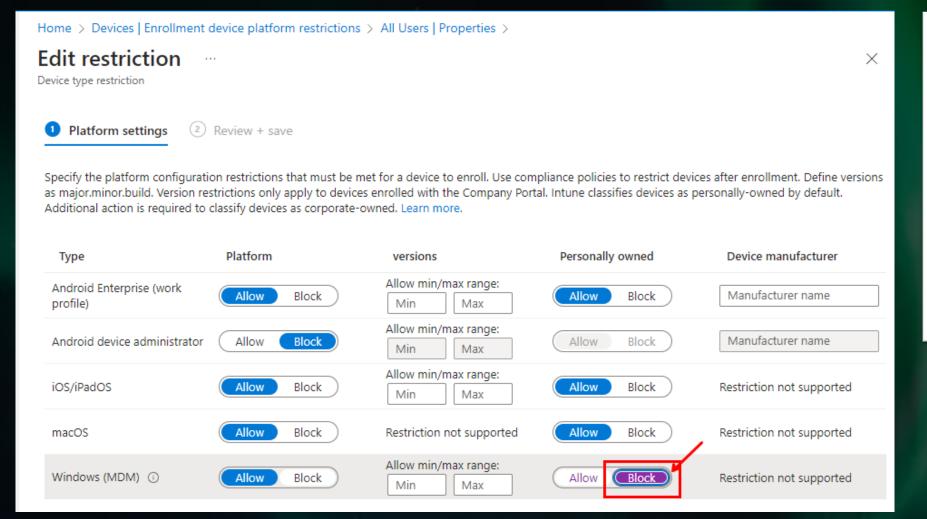




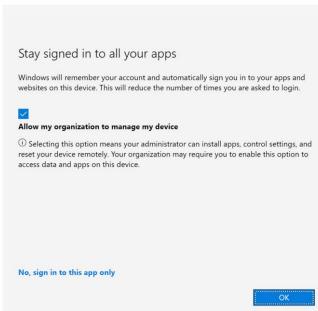
- Automatic enrollment to Intune management after Entra ID join
- Entra ID Premium P1 license
- Add users who are doing Autopilot enrollments



Block Personal devices enrollment to Intune





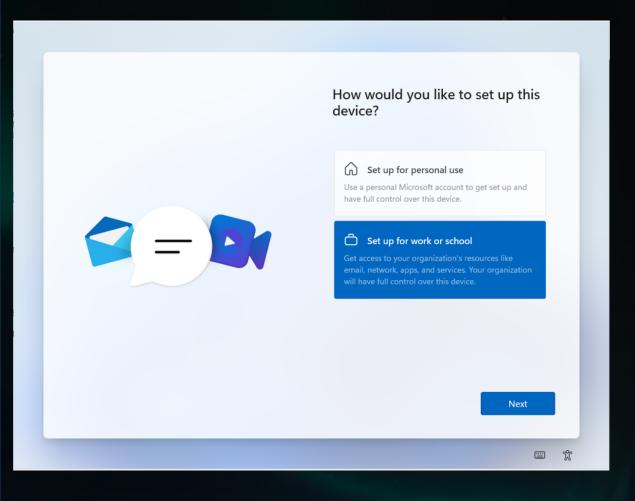


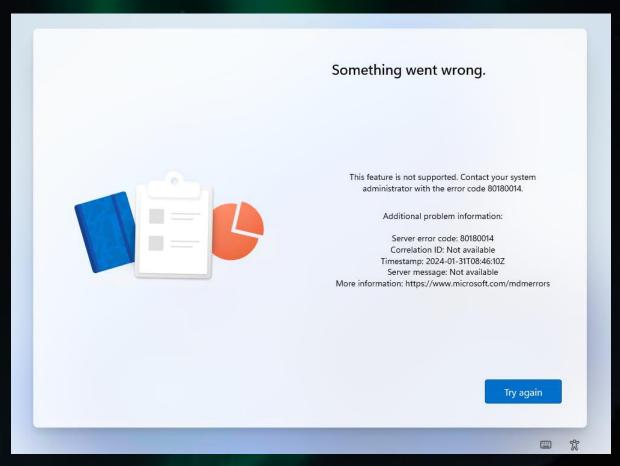
#### Enrollment restrictions: Block personal devices

Trying to enroll a new device during OOBE with a company account

No Entra ID device exists even if the user had rights to join devices to Entra ID









## Manage local administrators

# Default local admin rights on Entra ID joined devices

- Local Administrator account (disabled by default)
- Global admin role owners
- Microsoft Entra Joined Device Local Administrator role
  - No members by default
- The user who enrolled the device?
  - Autopilot device: if allowed by Autopilot profile
  - Non-autopilot device: if personal devices are allowed to enroll



#### Local Admin Rights on Entra ID joined devices

Administrators Properties

Entra ID role to SID?

to the computer/domain

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Administrators have complete and unrestricted access

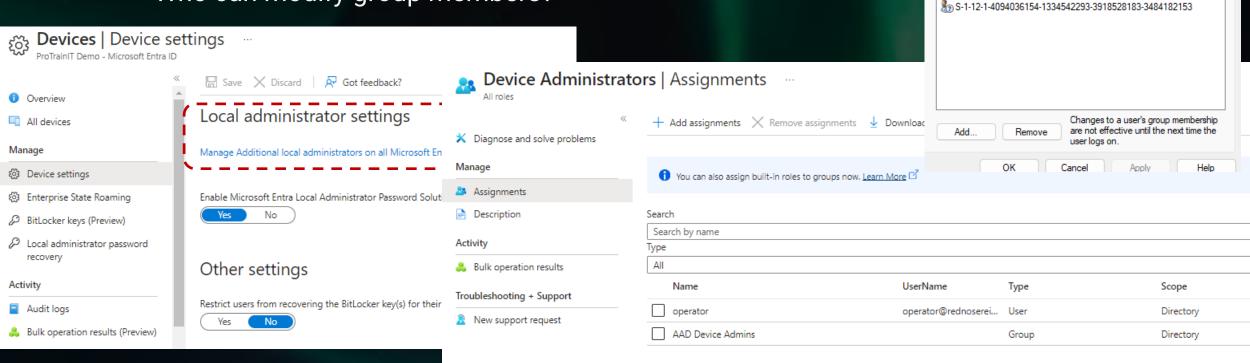
General

Description

Members:

Administrator

- Local admin rights on ALL devices
  - Global admins role
  - Microsoft Entra Joined Device Local Administrator role assigned to a group/user
    - Who can modify group members?





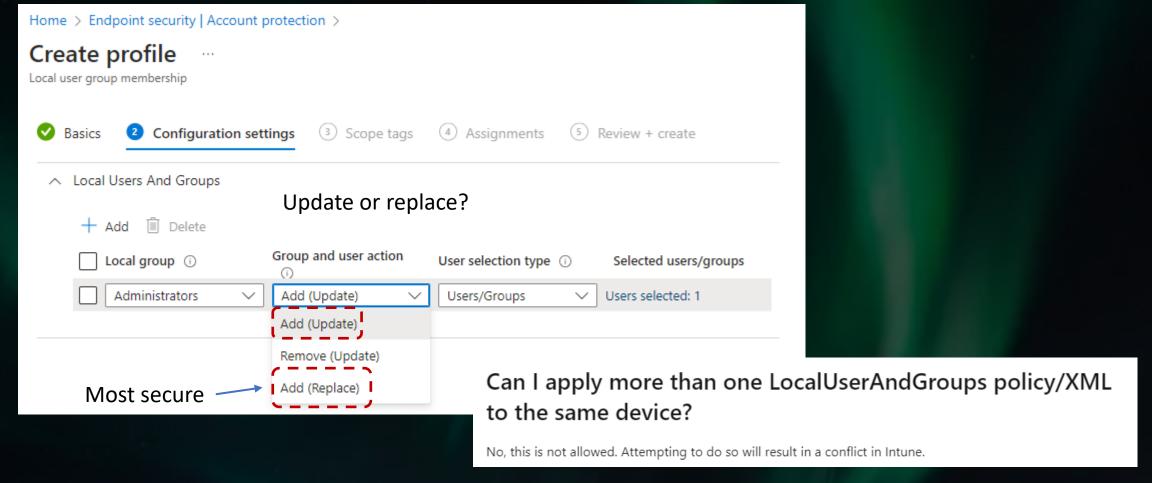
# DEMO

Local admins rights

#### Device Admin Rights

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Configure admin rights to subset of devices



LocalUsersAndGroups Policy CSP



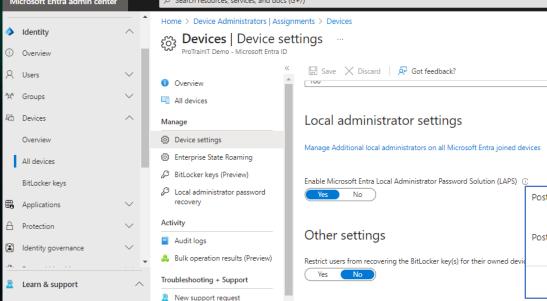
## Windows LAPS

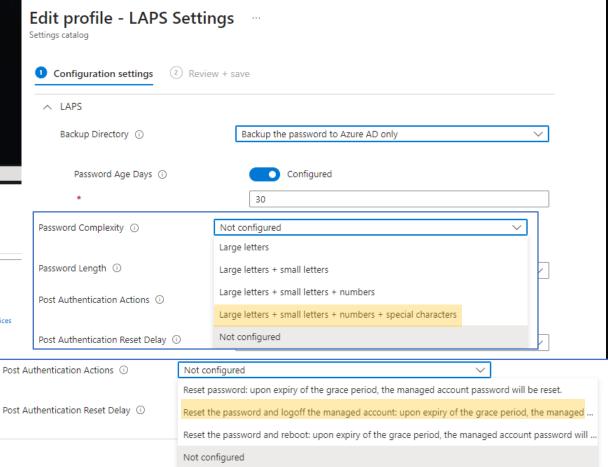
#### Windows LAPS

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- Enable Windows LAPS for Entra ID joined devices
- Very simple to configure Windows LAPS settings
- Passwords are in Entra ID (and accessible from Intune)
- Just need Windows 10/11 with at least April 2023 CU

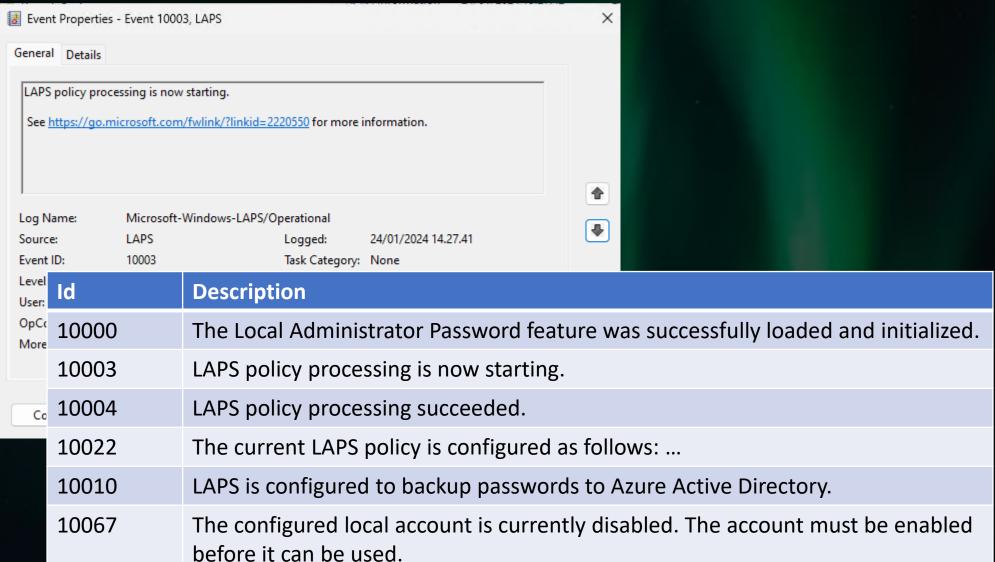




Home > Endpoint security | Account protection > LAPS Settings >

#### Windows LAPS debugging

Microsoft-Windows-LAPS/Operational

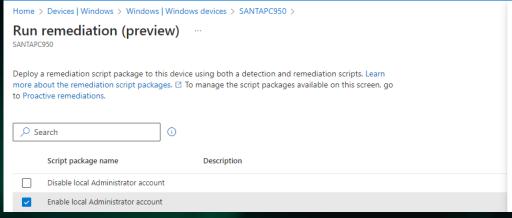




#### Windows LAPS



Enable/disable local admin account via remediation



Need to run as 64-bit!

```
# Enable Built-in Administrator account
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# Get the Administrator account name
$adminAccount = Get-LocalUser | Where-Object { $ .SID -like 'S-1-5-*-500' }
$adminName = $adminAccount.Name
#Write-Output "Administrator account name: $adminName"
# Enable the Administrator account
Enable-LocalUser -Name $adminName
$Success = $?
if($Success) {
    Write-Output "Administrator account enabled: $adminName"
    Fxit 0
 else {
    Write-Output "Error enabling local administrator account: $adminName"
    Exit 1
```

Disable account: Disable-LocalUser

#### Non-default admin account

- Need to be created manually
  - Automatically in the upcoming Windows release?
- Autopilot enrollment
  - Create the new admin account in your Autopilot branding process
  - LAPS policy fails until the account exists
  - Policy is rerun every 60 min
- Or use remediation/PowerShell scripts



#### Windows LAPS permissions



Entra ID custom role

microsoft.directory/deviceLocalCredentials/password/read	Read all properties of the backed up local administrator account credentials for Microsoft Entra joined devices, including the password
microsoft.directory/deviceLocalCredentials/standard/read	Read all properties of the backed up local administrator account credentials for Microsoft Entra joined devices, except the password

- By default:
  - Cloud Device Administrator
  - Intune Administrator
  - Global Admin
- Not within Intune custom roles 😊



# Bitlocker

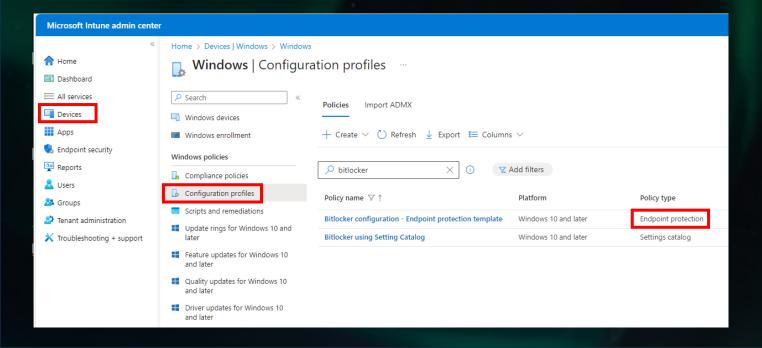
#### Bitlocker

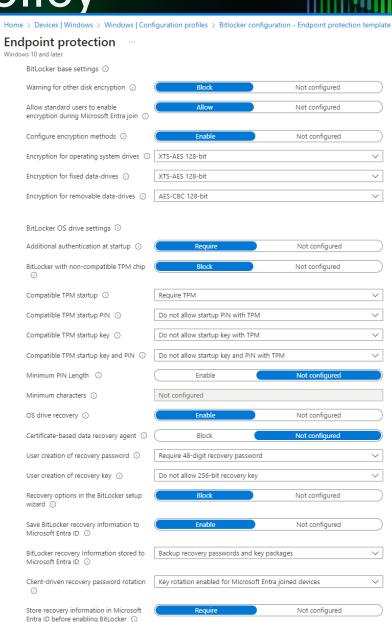
- Enable Bitlocker on your devices!
- Multiple ways to set. Which one to use?
  - Configuration profiles → Endpoint protection policy type
  - Setting catalog → create your own template
  - Endpoint security
    - Old & New template!
- Change your current policy to new template?
- What to use for new profiles?
  - New Endpoint security template vs Settings catalog



#### Bitlocker - Endpoint protection policy

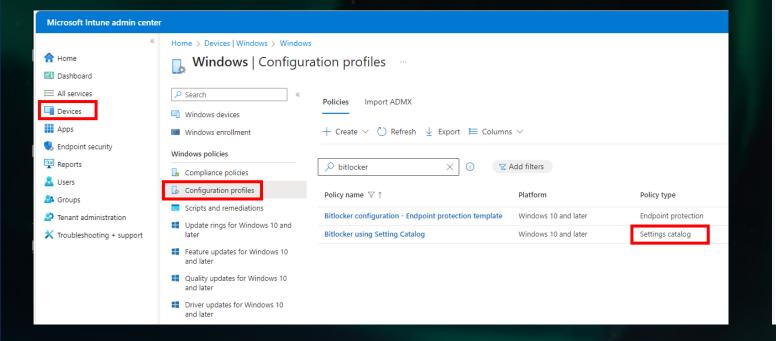
- Configuration profiles -> Endpoint protection policy
- First template which may still be in use

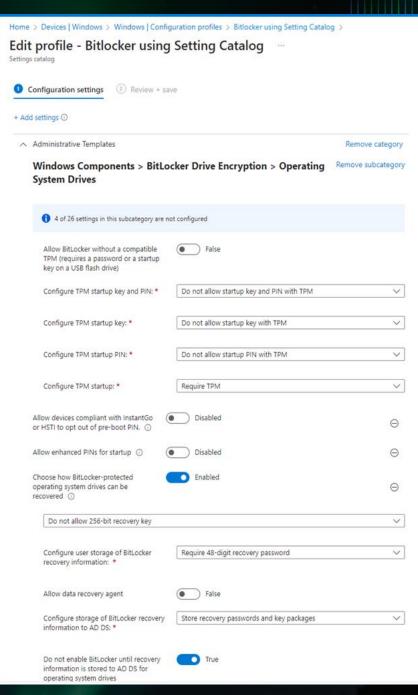




#### Bitlocker - Setting Catalog

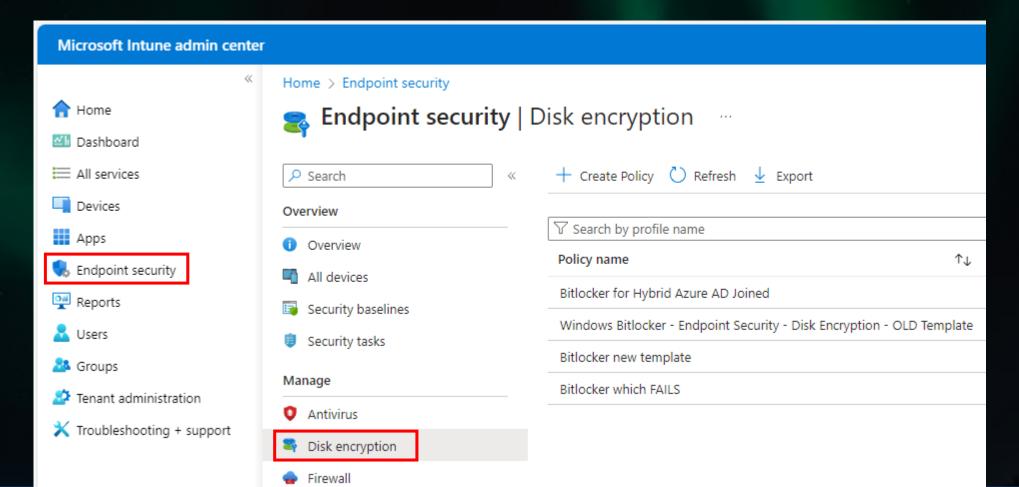
- Settings Catalog
- Create your own policy settings





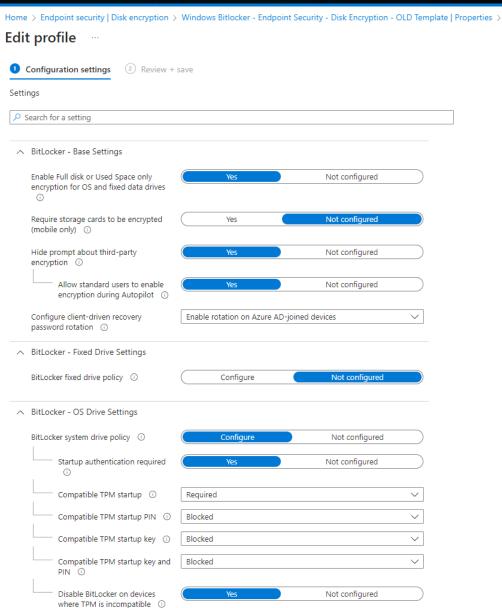
### Bitlocker - Endpoint Security templates

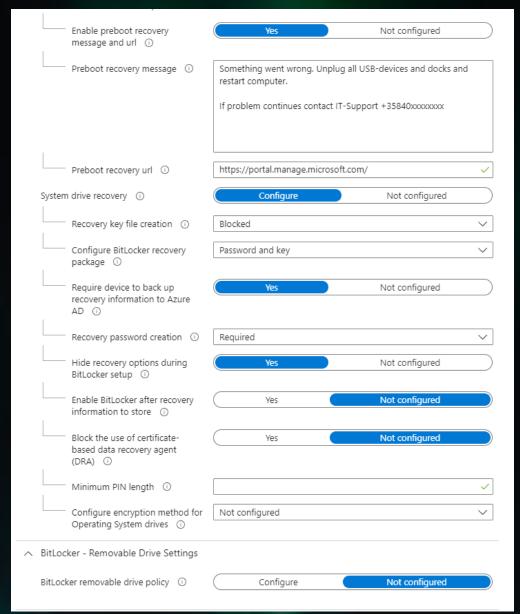
- Endpoint Security -> Disk encryption
- Newest templates





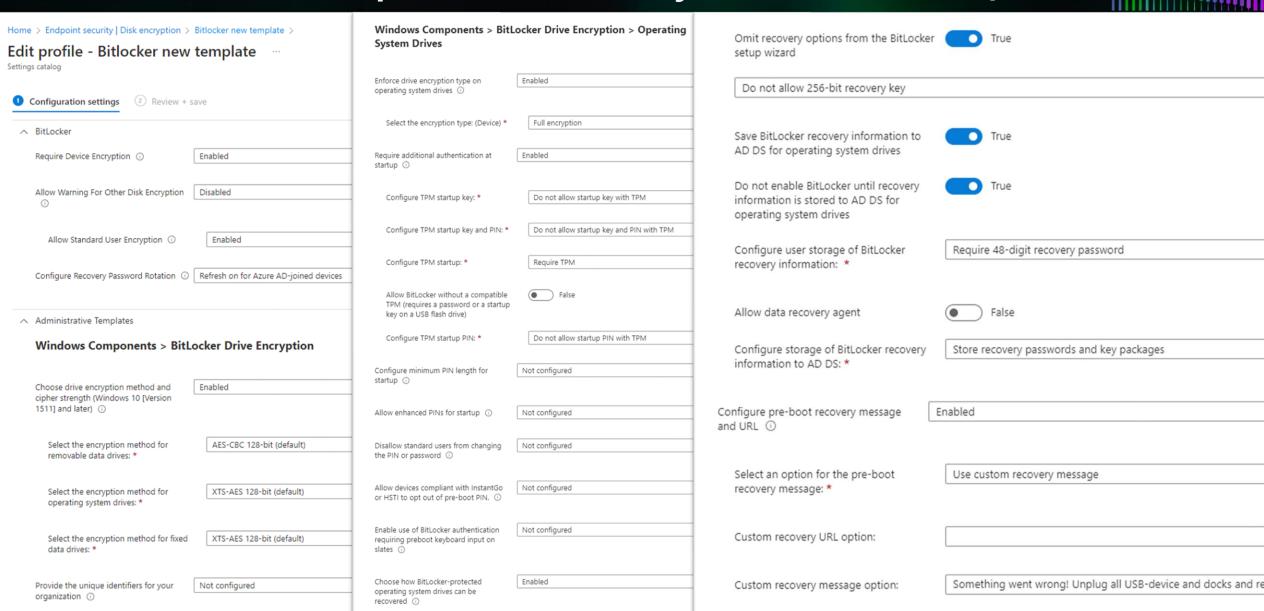
## Bitlocker - Endpoint Security - old template





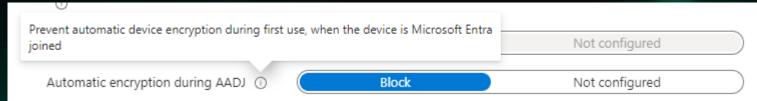


#### Bitlocker - Endpoint Security - current template



#### Bitlocker - Automatic Encryption during Entra Join

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- (Bitlocker /) **Device encryption** can be enabled automatically after Entra Join and after user sign in **without Bitlocker policy**
- You may want to prevent this with policy setting



 Or deploy Bitlocker policy during Enrollment Status Page phase

#### BitLocker automatic device encryption

BitLocker automatic device encryption uses BitLocker drive encryption technology to automatically encrypt internal drives after the user completes the Out Of Box Experience (OOBE) on Modern Standby or HSTI-compliant hardware.

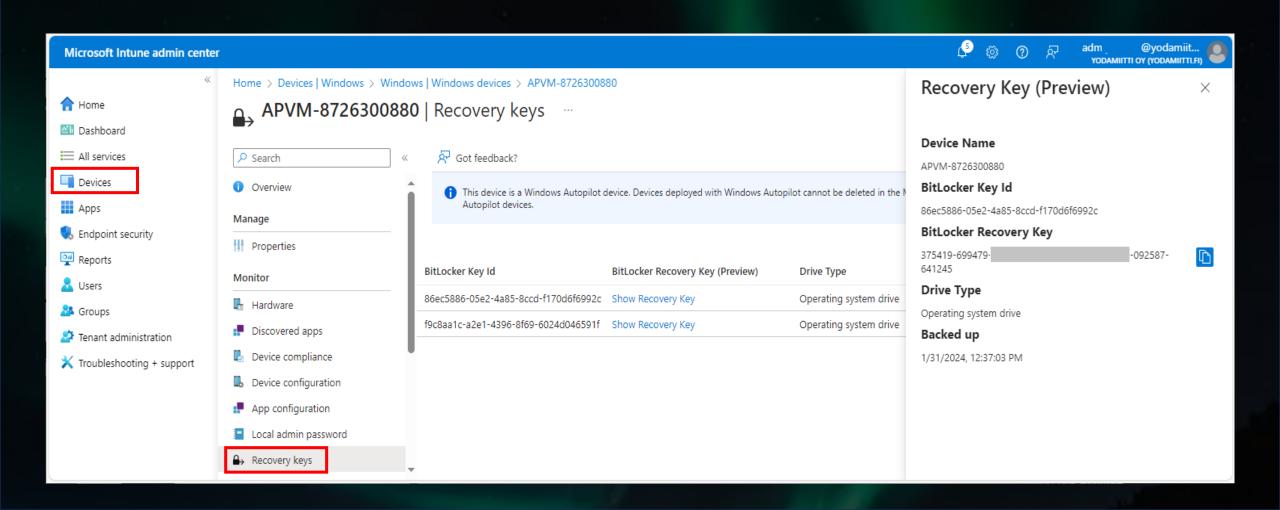
#### ! Note

BitLocker automatic device encryption starts during Out-of-box (OOBE) experience. However, protection is enabled (armed) only after users sign in with a **Microsoft Account** or an **Azure Active Directory** account. Until that, protection is suspended and data is not protected. BitLocker automatic device encryption is not enabled with local accounts, in which case BitLocker can be manually enabled using the BitLocker Control Panel.

#### Bitlocker - Recovery key

- Stored in Entra ID
- Also shown in Intune console





#### Bitlocker - Recovery key

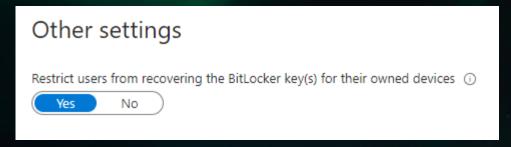
- Who can view recovery keys?
  - Entra ID permissions
  - By default: Cloud Device Administrator, Intune Administrator, Global Administrator, Global Reader, Helpdesk Administrator, Security Administrator, Security Reader
  - For custom roles: microsoft.directory/bitlockerKeys/key/read



#### Bitlocker - Recovery key

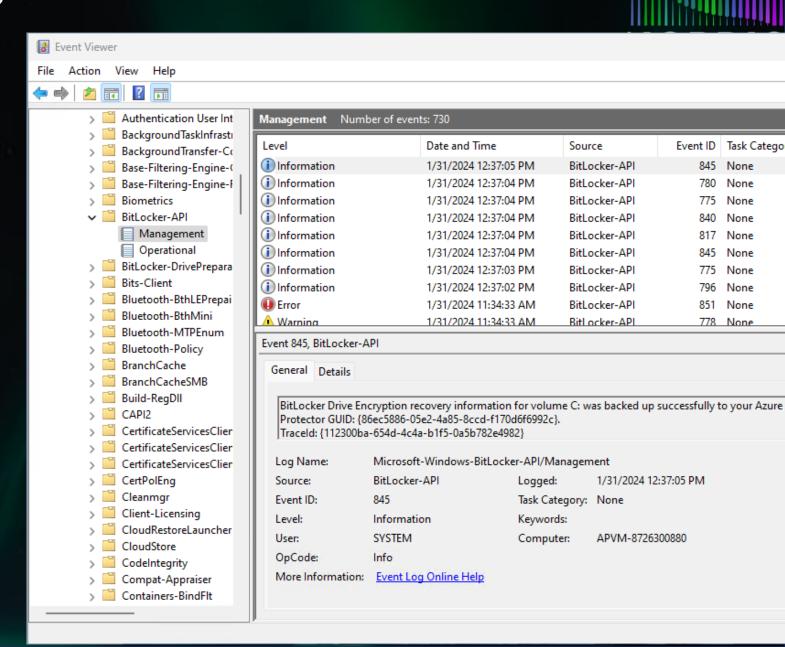
- NORDIC - VIRTUAL SUMMIT
- Prevent users seeing their device's Bitlocker Recovery Key?
- If/When users don't have Administrative rights then they should not be able to read Bitlocker Recovery keys either?
- This is security, process and usability question

Entra ID -> Devices -> Device Settings



#### Bitlocker eventlogs

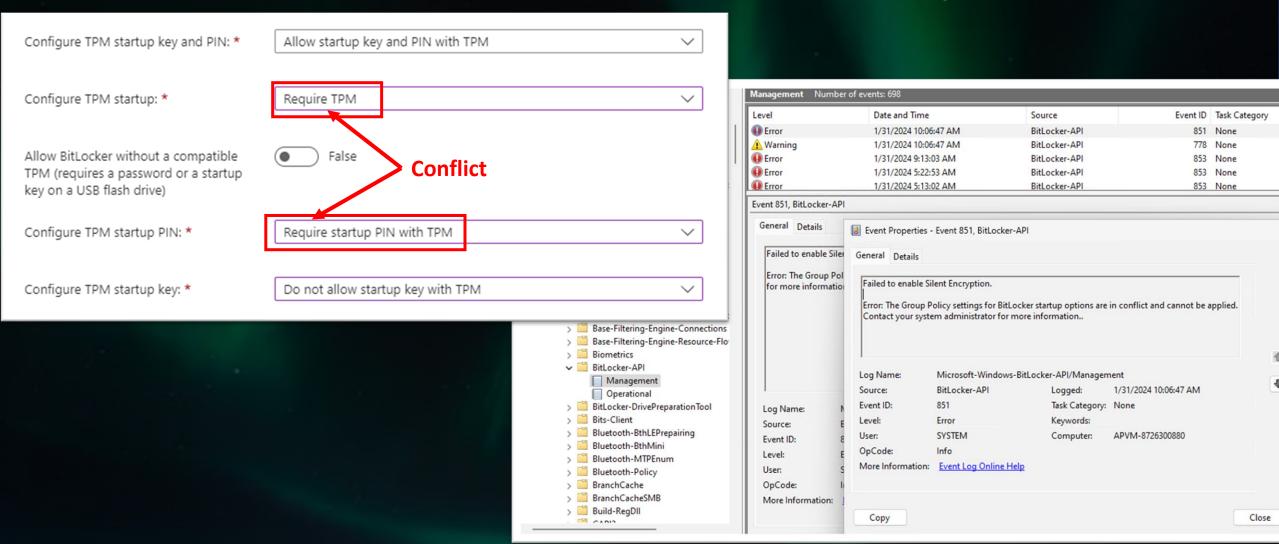
Application and Service
 Logs → Microsoft →
 Windows → Bitlocker-API
 → Management



#### Bitlocker eventlogs

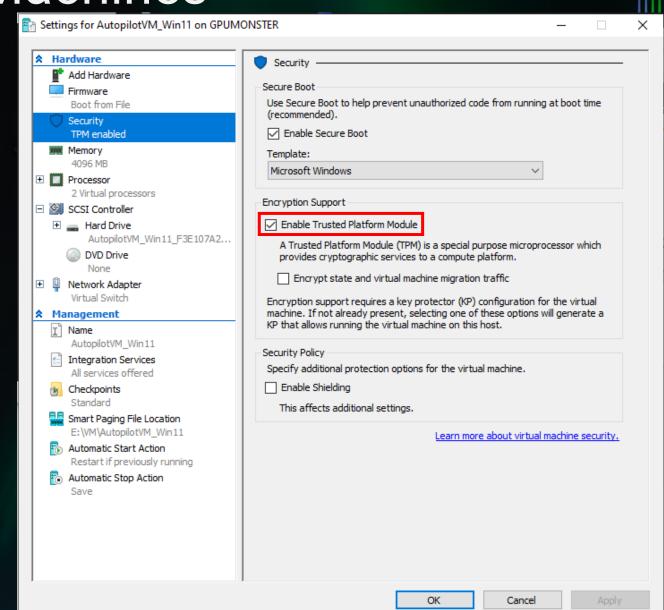


Ensure that the Bitlocker startup options are unambiguous



#### Bitlocker - Virtual Machines

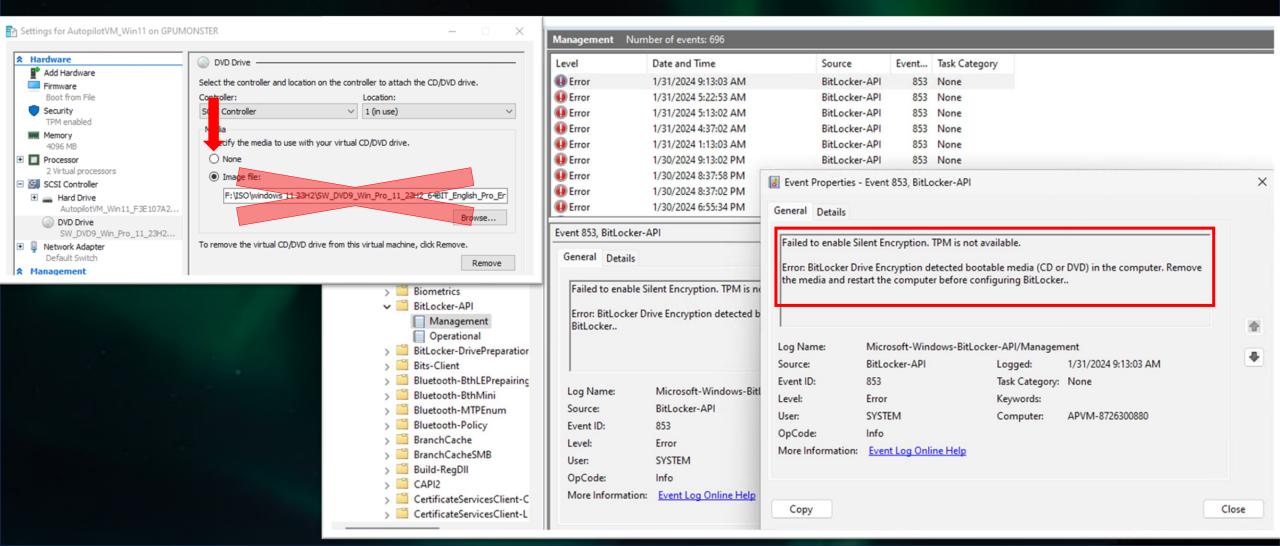
- Test Bitlocker with Virtual Machines
- Virtual machine Settings
- Enable Trusted Platform Module



#### Bitlocker - Virtual Machines

• You will forget to remove DVD-drive from VM settings to enable Bitlocker silent encryption ©





#### Administrative units

Limit permissions to subset of users/group/devices e.g. BitLocker recovery keys

Restricted management

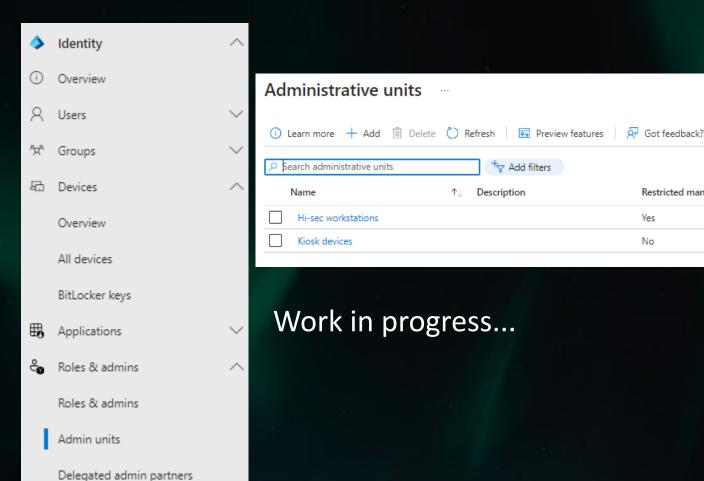
Yes

No

Membership type

Assigned

Dynamic



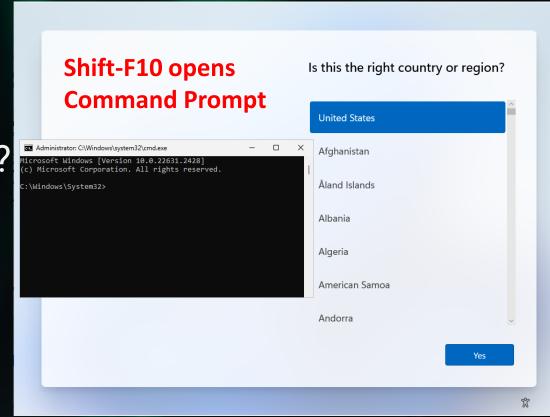


# Autopilot

Disable Shift-F10 Command Prompt in OOBE and in Enrollment Status Page

#### Autopilot

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- By default anyone who can access the device during the OOBE and Autopilot process can get local admin rights to the device
  - Shift-F10 (opens a command prompt with admin rights)
- How to disable Shift-F10?
  - Need to add the following file: C:\windows\setup\scripts\
     DisableCMDRequest.tag
- How to add the file to the new devices?
  - Autopilot Pre-Provisioning
  - Custom image
- How about wipe?
  - https://call4cloud.nl/2022/01/the-oobe-massacre-the-beginning-of-shift-f10/
  - https://call4cloud.nl/2022/03/2022-03-update-the-search-for-sp-uhh-shiftf10/





# Intune deployments

Assume nothing is kept secret

#### Intune deployments

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- Be aware of sensitive/secrets within
  - Win32 app installation commands
  - Powershell scripts
  - Remediation scripts ???
- Normal user can read Intune log files where the data is available
  - C:\ProgramData\Microsoft\IntuneManagementExtension\Logs
    - IntuneManagementExtension.log
    - AgentExecutor.log
- Intune rights
  - Who can create scripts/remediations/apps can run anything with system rights



# DEMO

Intune log files secrets

Tools used in demo:

https://github.com/petripaavola/Get-IntuneManagementExtensionDiagnostics https://github.com/petripaavola/ClipboardTools

#### Check also the following topics

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- Windows Hello for Business
  - Check passwordless session: Passwordless; No One Want's To Go Back by Jóhannes Geir Kristjánsson & Martin Himken
- Microsoft Defender for Endpoint
  - Check session: Managing Your Risk of Vulnerabilities with MDE by Jörgen Nilsson & Stefan Schörling
- Firewall (on by default on Windows)
- Antivirus (on by default on Windows)
- Attack Surface Reduction rules
- Security baselines
- ConfigRefresh
- Query local admin group membership with PowerShell issues

#### Summary

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- Control who has admin rights to your cloud devices
  - Active Directory & Entra ID behave similarly (Domain Admins vs Global admins)
- Windows LAPS is easy to implement. Highly recommended!
- Implement Bitlocker on your devices
  - Can end users see recovery keys?
- Think who has access to admin passwords/Bitlocker keys
  - Entra ID permissions!
  - Administrative units?
- Use remediations instead of PowerShell scripts
- Note potential secrets within apps/scripts