# **MySQL – ERROR 1819 (HY000): Your password does not satisfy the current policy requirements**

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If you run into this error it’s a strong indicator that the ****Password Validation Plugin**** is installed.

The quick and dirty way to fix this is to uninstall the plugin. You will need to be the root user in the database.

# mysql -u root -p

Type your password, then uninstall the plugin:

mysql> uninstall plugin validate\_password;

If you really want to dig in deeper you can play with the plugin configuration. You do that by logging into MySQL and running the following:

mysql> SHOW VARIABLES LIKE 'validate\_password%';

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| Variable\_name | Value |

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| validate\_password\_check\_user\_name | OFF |

| validate\_password\_dictionary\_file | |

| validate\_password\_length | 8 |

| validate\_password\_mixed\_case\_count | 1 |

| validate\_password\_number\_count | 1 |

| validate\_password\_policy | MEDIUM |

| validate\_password\_special\_char\_count | 1 |

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This will show you the Plugin table and the associated settings. You can manipulate any of the settings in the table by doing any of the following:

mysql> SET GLOBAL validate\_password\_length = 6;

mysql> SET GLOBAL validate\_password\_number\_count = 0;

mysql> SET GLOBAL validate\_password.policy = LOW;

Be forewarned that I tried resetting some of the values and had little luck until I removed the plugin. In reality, I didn’t need the plugin. I use a random password generator for all my passwords.

To learn more about the Password Plugin Categories see this page: <https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/validate-password-options-variables.html>

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