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NAME

firmwarepasswd -- tool for setting and removing firmware passwords on a system

SYNOPSIS

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firmwarepasswd [-setpasswd] [-setmode mode] [-mode] [-check] [-delete]
               [-verify] [-unlockseed] [-h]
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DESCRIPTION

The **firmwarepasswd** command is used to add or remove firmware passwords from a system as well as check status and other options. The **firmwarepasswd** command requires root privileges to run.

A list of flags and their descriptions:

-setpasswd

Prompts to add a new firmware password or change an existing password if one exists.

-setmode *mode*

Set the mode to "command" or "full". "Command" will prompt for the firmware password if the user attempts to boot from a different volume. "Full" will prompt on every startup (not recommended).

-mode Displays the current mode if one is set.

-check Displays whether or not a firmware password is set.

-delete

Prompts for password and clears both password and the mode if correct.

-verify

Prompts for password and displays success if correct.

-unlockseed

Generates a firmware password recovery key. Note: Machine must be stable for this command to generate a valid seed. No pending changes that need a restart. NOTE: Seed is only valid until the next time a firmware password command runs.

-h Displays a list of all the commands available in the firmwarepasswd tool, with explanatory information.

FILES

/usr/sbin/firmwarepasswd

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