

# Security functions

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With these functions is possible to know the current protection level, and to set/clear the current session password.

Especially because, if you look at the source code, there is an encoding function that translates the plain password before send it to the PLC.

## PASSWORD HACKING IS VERY FAR FROM THE AIM OF THIS PROJECT

Detailed information about the protection level can be found in §33.19 of "System Software for S7-300/400 System and Standard Functions".

Function	Purpose
<a href="#">SetSessionPassword</a>	Send the password to the PLC to meet its security level (login)
<a href="#">ClearSessionPassword</a>	Clears the password set for the current session (logout)
<a href="#">GetProtection</a>	Gets the CPU protection level info

## SetSessionPassword

### Description

Send the password to the PLC to meet its security level.

### Declaration

```
public int SetSessionPassword(string Password);
```

### Parameters

Name	Type	Note
Address	string	8 chars UTF-8 string

## Return value

- 0 : The function was accomplished with no errors.
- Other values : see the Errors Code List.

## Remarks

A password accepted by a PLC is an 8 chars string, a greater password will be truncated, and a smaller one will be "right space padded".

## ClearSessionPassword

### Description

Clears the password set for the current session (logout).

### Declaration

```
public int ClearSessionPassword()
```

## Return value

- 0 : The function was accomplished with no errors.
- Other values : see the Errors Code List.

## GetProtection

### Description

Gets the CPU protection level info.

### Declaration

```
public int GetProtection(ref S7Protection Protection)
```

## Parameters

Name	Type	Note
Protection	S7Protection	see definition below

## Struct declaration

```
public struct S7Protection  
{
```

```
public ushort sch_schal;  
public ushort sch_par;  
public ushort sch_rel;  
public ushort bart_sch;  
public ushort anl_sch;  
};
```

Fields description

Name	Value	Meaning
sch_schal	1,2,3	Protection level set with the mode selector.
sch_par	0,1,2,3	Password level, 0 : no password
sch_rel	0,1,2,3	Valid protection level of the CPU
bart_sch	0,1,2,3,4	Mode selector setting (1:RUN, 2:RUN-P, 3:STOP, 4:MRES, 0:undefined or cannot be determined)
anl_sch	0,1,2	Startup switch setting (1:CRST, 2:WRST, 0:undefined, does not exist or cannot be determined)

See also §33.19 of "System Software for S7-300/400 System and Standard Functions"

Return value

- 0 : The function was accomplished with no errors.
- Other values : see the Errors Code List.

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