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Security
Service tools user IDs and passwords

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Service tools user IDs and passwords

Service tools are used to configure, manage, and service your iSeries™ models 5xx, 270, and 8xx, or the 8xx logical partitions (LPAR). To manage logical partitions on servers other than model 8xx, you must use the Hardware Management Console (HMC).

Service tools can be accessed from dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST). Service tools user IDs are required if you want to access DST, SST, and to use the iSeries Navigator functions for logical partition management and disk unit management.

Service tools user IDs have been referred to as DST user profiles, DST user IDs, service tools user profiles, or a variation of these names. Within this topic collection, the term service tools user IDs is used.

What’s new for V5R4

This topic highlights changes made to this topic collection for V5R4.

What’s new as of April 2007

You can use a new service tools user privilege called Take over console, which allows an Operations Console to take control from another console device. For more information, see Takeover or recovery of an Operations Console connection.

Also, enhancements have been made to allow for more flexibility for some security polices or rules. The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu has been expanded to include these additional options:

- Option 7: Work with lock for device IDs from SST.
- Option 8: Password expiration interval in days.
- Option 9: Maximum sign-on attempts allowed.
- Option 10: Duplicate password control.

For more information, see Changing service tools security policies.

What’s new as of September 2007

An option is provided in the dedicated service tools (DST). If you want to use a different language version as the service language, you can change it in the service environment of dedicated service tools (DST). By default, the primary language of the current operating system and the service language stay in synch unless you change the service language. For more information, see Changing the service tools language of your system or logical partition.

How to see what’s new or changed

To help you see where technical changes have been made, this information uses:

- The ➤ image to mark where new or changed information begins.
- The ◄ image to mark where new or changed information ends.

To find other information about what’s new or changed this release, see the Memo to users.

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Concepts for service tools user IDs and passwords

These concepts provide the basic information you need to get started with service tools user IDs and passwords.

Terminology for service tools user IDs and passwords

This list provides the terminology that relates to service functions or tools user IDs and passwords.

Data Encryption Standard (DES)

It is a type of reversible encryption algorithm. DES uses two pieces of information: the data to be encrypted and the key to encrypt the data. If you supply DES with the encrypted data and the encryption key, you can decrypt the data and get the original data.

dedicated service tools (DST)

Dedicated service tools (DST) are service functions or service tools that are available only from the console and can run when the operating system is not available.

default password

Default password is identical with the service tools user ID. For example, the IBM-supplied QSECOFR service tools user ID is shipped with a default password of QSECOFR.

disabled password

A password is marked as being unable to sign on with it because you have had too many sign-on attempts that are not valid. You cannot sign on using a disabled password.

expired password

An expired password is a password that has not been changed within 180 or more days, or a password that is included on upgrade media provided by IBM. You can still sign on using an expired password, but you must change the password at the time of sign-on.

functional privileges

With functional privileges, you can grant or revoke access to individual service tools functions.

i5/OS® user profiles

These profiles are created with the Create User Profile (CRTUSRPRF) command or iSeries Navigator, and are used to sign on to the operating system.
locked
It is a mechanism to control programmatic changes to certain functions. If a function is "locked", it cannot be changed through normal user interfaces. You must unlock it to change it.

password levels
Within DST, a password level can be set. The password level specifies whether Data Encryption Standard (DES) or Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption is used when storing passwords. The default level is DES.

Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA)
Secure Hash Algorithm is an encryption method, in which data is encrypted in a way that is mathematically impossible to reverse. Different data can possibly produce the same hash value, but there is no way to use the hash value to determine the original data.

service functions
Service functions are specific capabilities within service tools. Service functions are typically used for problem analysis and problem solving, often with the assistance of IBM service representative. Examples of service functions include Licensed Internal Code trace, Licensed Internal Code log, and the display, alter, dump functions. You can access service tools through dedicated service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), and other service-related CL commands. Improper use of service tools can damage your system.

service tools
Service functions and service tools are the same thing. Both are part of DST or SST; both require DST or SST user ID and password. Service functions and service tools can be used interchangeably. Service tools are functions that are used to configure, manage, and service important operational aspects of the system. Service tools enable you to do tasks, such as configuring your logical partitions, managing your disk units, and troubleshooting problems. You can access service tools through DST, SST, and other service-related CL commands. Improper use of service tools can damage your system.

service tools device IDs
Service tools device IDs are used with the LAN console to control access to the system.

service tools server
With the service tools server, you can use your PC to perform service tools functions through TCP/IP.

service tools user IDs
Service tools user IDs are required to access DST, SST, iSeries Navigator (for logical partitions and disk unit management), and Operations Console. Service tools user IDs are created through DST or SST, and they are separate from user profiles.

system service tools (SST)
With the system service tools (SST), you can access service functions from the operating system. You can use the Start SST (STRSST) command to access service tools. The i5/OS user ID needs *SERVICE authority to access SST.

DST and SST access methods
You can use dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST) to access service tools and service functions.

DST is available when the Licensed Internal Code is started even if the operating system has not been loaded. SST is available from the operating system.

Service tools are used to perform the following actions:

Note: This list is not all inclusive but gives you an overview of the functions provided by service tools.
• Diagnose system problems.
• Add hardware resources to the system.
• Manage disk units.
• Manage logical partition (LPAR) activities, including memory.
• Review the Licensed Internal Code and product activity logs.
• Trace Licensed Internal Code.
• Perform main storage dumps.
• Manage system security.
• Manage other service tools user IDs.

1. Manage Take over console, which allows a second LAN console to take over an existing LAN console.
   1. You need to enable the Take over console before using it. To do so, use the Select console menu.
   2. When attempting to take over an existing LAN console with a second LAN console, the user must have the Take over privilege or the Service tool security privilege.

The following table outlines the basic differences in access methods between DST and SST.

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**Related information**

- [Takeover or recovery of an Operations Console connection](#)

**Service tools user IDs**

Service tools user IDs are user IDs that are required for accessing service functions through dedicated service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), iSeries Navigator (for logical partitions and disk unit management), and Operations Console.

Service tools user IDs are created through DST or SST and are separate from i5/OS user profiles. IBM provides the following service tools user IDs:

• QSECOFR
• QSRV
• 22222222
• 11111111

The passwords for service tools user IDs QSECOFR, QSRV, and 22222222 are shipped as expired. All service tools passwords are shipped in uppercase.
You can create a maximum of 100 service tools user IDs (including the four IBM-supplied user IDs). Specific authorities are granted to the IBM-provided service tools user IDs. The IBM-supplied service tools user ID 11111111 is useful when upgrading Operations Console.

**Note:** When IBM ships a system, there is a QSECOFR user profile and a QSECOFR service tools user ID. These are not the same. They exist in different locations and are used to access different functions. Your QSECOFR service tools user ID can have a different password from your QSECOFR user profile. Service tools user IDs have different password policies from user profiles.

Creating additional service tools user IDs allows a security administrator to manage and audit the use of service tools without giving out the passwords to the IBM-supplied service tools user IDs. You can create additional service tools user IDs using dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST).

**Attention:** If you lose or forget the passwords for all security officer profiles and all security service tools user IDs, you might need to install and initialize your system from distribution media to recover them. For this reason, it is suggested that you create multiple profiles and user IDs. Contact your service provider for assistance.

The passwords for service tools user IDs can have expiration dates, which allow you to minimize the security risk to your system. When the users sign on with an expired password, they must change the password. A service tools user ID can be disabled, in which case it cannot be used at all until someone with the appropriate authority level re-enables it.

**Functional privileges for service tools user IDs**

*Functional privileges* control which service functions can be accessed by any service tools user ID. You can set up functional privileges to grant or revoke the ability for a service tools user ID to access individual service functions. These examples show how you might want to use functional privileges.

- You can allow one user to take communications and Licensed Internal Code traces and give a different user the functional privilege to manage disk units.
- You can create a service tools user ID with the same functional privileges as the IBM-supplied QSECOFR service tools user ID. You can then disable the IBM-supplied QSECOFR service tools user ID. This prevents people from using the known QSECOFR user ID and helps protect your system from security risks.

You can manage the functional privileges through DST or SST. When set to revoked, the Start Service Tools privilege allows a service tools user ID to access service functions through DST, but restricts the user ID from accessing SST.

Before a user is allowed to use or perform a service function, a functional privilege check is performed. If a user has insufficient privileges, access to the service function is denied. There is an audit log to monitor service function use by service tools users.

Like service tools user IDs, device IDs also have permissions that can be granted or revoked and permissions that can prevent functions from working. You can access device IDs through DST or SST.

**Related concepts**

"Monitoring service function use" on page 28

You can monitor the use of service functions through the dedicated service tools (DST) security log or through the i5/OS security audit log. These logs help you trace unusual access patterns or potential security risks.

**Related reference**

"Password policies for service tools user IDs" on page 6

Here are the password policies for service tools user IDs and the process of changing Data Encryption Standard (DES) and Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption.
Password policies for service tools user IDs

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Note: Multiple attempts to sign on with incorrect password disable the service tools user ID. If that occurs, you can sign on with the disabled user ID from the console when the user ID is QSECOFR, and then reset the user ID. To enable other user IDs, you need to have the QSECOFR user ID or another user ID with the service tool security privilege.

Service tools user IDs are separate from i5/OS user profiles. Passwords for service tools user IDs are encrypted at different levels of security. The default password level uses DES encryption. You should use DES encryption if you have pre-V5R1 clients using iSeries Navigator to connect to service functions such as logical partitions and disk unit management.

You can change the password level to use SHA encryption, which is mathematically impossible to reverse and provides stronger encryption and a higher level of security. If you change to SHA encryption, however, you cannot change back to DES encryption. Also, if you change to SHA encryption, you can no longer connect to the service tools server with pre-V5R1 clients, such as Operations Console. When you upgrade your password level to SHA, you need to upgrade any clients that use these functions.

DES encryption

When you use DES encryption, service tools user IDs and passwords have the following characteristics:

- Use 10-digit, uppercase user IDs.
- Use 8-digit, case-sensitive passwords. When you create a user ID and password, the minimum required for the password is 1 digit. When you change a password, the minimum required is 6 digits.
- Passwords for user IDs do not expire after 180 days. By default, the initial passwords for IBM-supplied service tools user IDs, however, are shipped as expired. The exception to this is the user ID 11111111. This user ID is not expired.
- Even though passwords don’t expire when using DES encryption, it still can be created expired.
- By default, passwords are initially set as expired (unless explicitly set on the display to No).

SHA encryption

When you use SHA encryption, service tools user IDs and passwords have the following characteristics:

- Use 10-digit, uppercase user IDs.
- Use 128-digit case-sensitive passwords. When you create a user ID and password, the minimum required for the password is 1 digit. When you change a password, the minimum required is 6 digits.
- By default, passwords for user IDs expire after 180 days. The expiration interval can be changed through Option 8 (Password expiration interval in days) on the Work with Service Tools Security Data menu. The value can be 0 for *NOMAX or up to 999 days.
- By default, passwords are initially set as expired (unless explicitly set on the display to No).

To change to use SHA encryption, access DST and perform the following steps:
1. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID. The Use dedicated service tools (DST) display is shown.

2. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display is shown.

3. Select option 6 (Service tools security data) and press Enter.

4. Select option 6 (Change password level) and press Enter. Press Enter again if you are ready to go to the new password level. The current status of PWLVL 2 is displayed.

**Related concepts**

“Accessing service tools using DST” on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

“Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using the STRSST command or QSYCHGDS API” on page 22
You can change your service tools user ID password using the Start System Service Tools (STRSST) command or the Change Service Tools User ID (QSYCHGDS) API.

“Recovering or resetting QSECOFR passwords” on page 22
When IBM ships a system, both a QSECOFR user profile and a QSECOFR service tools user ID are supplied. When you lose your QSECOFR user profile password or your QSECOFR service tools user ID, use one of the passwords to reset the other.

**Related tasks**

“Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using DST” on page 20
To change a service tools user ID password using dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

“Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using SST” on page 21
To change a service tools user ID password using system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

“Changing your service tools user ID password using the STRSST command” on page 22
To change your service tools user ID password using the Start System Service Tools (STRSST) command, complete these steps.

**Related reference**

“Service tools user IDs” on page 4
*Service tools user IDs* are user IDs that are required for accessing service functions through dedicated service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), iSeries Navigator (for logical partitions and disk unit management), and Operations Console.

**Service tools language versions**

If you want to use a different language version as the service language, you can change it in the service environments of dedicated service tools (DST). You can also change the service language back to a previously chosen language. By default, the primary language of the current operating system and the service language stay in synch unless you change the service language.

**Related tasks**

“Changing the service tools language of your system or logical partition” on page 11
You can change the service tools language to the language of your service representative. The following procedure can guide you through installing a service tools language.

**Service tools server**

With the service tools server, you can use your PC to perform service functions through TCP/IP.

In order to use the service tools server to perform GUI-based logical partitions or disk management activities, you need to make the service tools server available. You can configure the service tools server for DST, the operating system, or both. After configuration, authorized users can use functions such as LPAR or disk management in iSeries Navigator.
Notes:

1. You are not able to access any iSeries Navigator service functions until you have configured and started the service tools server.
2. If your server model is not 8xx, you must use the Hardware Management Console (HMC) to manage i5/OS logical partitions.
3. If you use Operations Console (LAN), the service tools server is already configured.

Related concepts

"Accessing service tools using iSeries Navigator" on page 11
You can access service tools from iSeries Navigator when your system has been powered on to dedicated service tools (DST) or is running the operating system.

Related reference

"Configuring the service tools server" on page 25
You can configure the service tools server for dedicated service tools (DST), the operating system, or both.

Related information

Partitioning with the System i
Disk management

Managing service tools user IDs and passwords

To effectively manage and maintain your service tools user IDs and passwords, you need to know the different ways to access service tools, how to configure the service tools server, and how to change your user IDs and passwords.

Accessing service tools

To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), or iSeries Navigator.

The service functions available to you depend on the functional privileges you have. If you do not have the correct privileges, you may not be able to sign on to SST. If you have the appropriate functional privileges, you can manage service tools user IDs from SST or DST.

Related reference

"Service tools user IDs" on page 4
Service tools user IDs are user IDs that are required for accessing service functions through dedicated service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), iSeries Navigator (for logical partitions and disk unit management), and Operations Console.

"Managing service tools user IDs" on page 12
Developing an effective strategy for managing service tools user IDs involves a series of tasks, such as configuring service tools user IDs, resetting QSECOFR passwords, and saving or restoring service tools security data.

Accessing service tools using DST

To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

The service tools user ID you use to access service tools with DST needs to have the functional privilege to use DST. You can start the DST by using function 21 from the system control panel or by using a manual initial program load (IPL).
Accessing service tools using DST from the system control panel

To access service tools using DST from the control panel, complete the following steps:

1. Put the control panel in manual mode.
2. Use the control panel to select function 21 and press Enter. The DST Sign On display appears on the console.
3. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. The Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears.
4. Select the appropriate option from the list and press Enter.
   - Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) to get to additional options for working with service tools user IDs.
   - Select option 7 (Start a service tool) to start any of the service tools available from DST.
   - Select any of the other options, as appropriate.

Accessing service tools using DST from a manual IPL

To access service tools using DST from a manual initial program load (IPL), complete the following steps:

1. Put the control panel in manual mode.
2. If the system is powered off, turn the system on.
3. If the system is powered on to the operating system, enter the Power Down System (PWRDWNSYS) command, PWRDWNSYS *IMMED RESTART(*YES), on a command line to turn off the system and restart it.
4. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. The Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears.
5. Select the appropriate option from the list and press Enter.
   - Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) to get additional options for working with service tools user IDs.
   - Select option 7 (Start a service tool) to start any of the service tools available from DST.
   - Select any of the other options, as appropriate.

Related tasks

- “Creating a service tools user ID using DST” on page 13
  To create a service tools user ID using dedicated service tools (DST), follow these steps.
- “Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using DST” on page 21
  To change a service tools user ID password using dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
- “Resetting the QSECOFR user profile password” on page 23
  If you know the password for the QSECOFR service tools user ID, use this password to reset the QSECOFR user profile to its initial value (QSECOFR).
- “Monitoring service function use through DST” on page 28
  You can use the dedicated service tools (DST) security log to monitor service functions. Any time a user signs on to DST using a service tools user ID, the event is logged by the service tools security log.
- “Changing the description for a service tools user ID using DST” on page 14
  To change the description for a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
- “Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using DST” on page 14
  To change the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using dedicated service tools (DST), follow these steps.
- “Deleting a service tools user ID using DST” on page 16
  To delete a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
- “Disabling a service tools user ID using DST” on page 15
  To disable a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
Accessing service tools using SST

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.

The service tools user ID you use to access SST needs to have the functional privilege to use SST. The i5/OS user profile needs to have the following authorizations:

- Authorization to the Start SST (STRSST) CL command.
- Service special authority (*SERVICE).

To access service tools using SST, complete the following steps:

1. Enter STRSST (Start SST) on an i5/OS command line. The Start SST Sign On display appears.
2. Enter the following information:
   - **Service Tools User ID**: The service tools user ID you sign on with.
   - **Password**: The password associated with this user ID.
3. Press Enter.

**Related tasks**

- "Creating a service tools user ID using SST” on page 16
- "Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using SST” on page 21
- "Changing the description for a service tools user ID using SST” on page 18
- "Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using SST” on page 17
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- "Disabling a service tools user ID using SST” on page 19
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**Related reference**

- "Password policies for service tools user IDs” on page 6
- Here are the password policies for service tools user IDs and the process of changing Data Encryption Standard (DES) and Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption.
- "Troubleshooting service tools user IDs and passwords” on page 31
- When you have problems with service tools user IDs and passwords, refer to this information for solutions.
"Configuring service tools user IDs" on page 12
You can create, display, change, and delete service tools user IDs from dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST).

Changing the service tools language of your system or logical partition
You can change the service tools language to the language of your service representative. The following procedure can guide you through installing a service tools language.

Prerequisites
Before you begin to change the service tools language, obtain the media labeled as I_BASE_01. Ensure that the release and modification of your system are the same as that of your media. You need to be aware of the following things:
• You will need the CD image that contains the License Internal Code for the version, release, and modification level installed on the system.
• Image catalogs (virtual optical and tape devices) do not support the procedures in this topic.
• You can only change the service tools language one time before an initial program load (IPL) is required.

To change the service tools language on the system or logical partition, follow these steps:
1. Load the media labeled I_BASE_01 in the optical device.
2. Access service tools using dedicated service tools (DST). Refer to Accessing service tools using DST
   Note: Use the service tools user ID QSECOFR to sign on to the DST.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment).
4. Select option 7 (Change service tools language). The Select Service Tools Language display is shown including a list of service languages that you can choose from. The display also indicates the primary language of the current operating system.
5. Enter the language ID (29xx) of your desired service tools language in the Selection field and press Enter. For example, if your service representatives understand English, you might want to choose 2924.
6. Select the optical device from step 1 and press Enter.
7. The Confirm Select Service Tools Language display is shown. Press Enter.
8. The next display depends on the method used to access service tools using DST.
   • If you access the service tools using DST from the system control panel, the i5/OS Sign On display is shown.
   • If you access the service tools using DST from a manual IPL, the IPL or Install the System display is shown.

Related reference
"Service tools language versions" on page 7
If you want to use a different language version as the service language, you can change it in the service environments of dedicated service tools (DST). You can also change the service language back to a previously chosen language. By default, the primary language of the current operating system and the service language stay in synch unless you change the service language.

Accessing service tools using iSeries Navigator
You can access service tools from iSeries Navigator when your system has been powered on to dedicated service tools (DST) or is running the operating system.

Accessing service tools using iSeries Navigator when powered on to DST
Note: If you use Operations Console (LAN), the service tools server is already configured.
To access service tools using iSeries Navigator when the system has been powered on to DST, make sure the service tools server is configured for DST and has been started, and then complete the following steps:

1. From iSeries Navigator, select My Connections or your active environment.
2. Select Open iSeries Navigator service tools window in the Taskpad window. If the Taskpad window is not displayed, select View and select Taskpad.
3. After you select the Taskpad item, type the IP address of the system to which you want to connect.

**Accessing service tools using iSeries Navigator when running i5/OS**

To access service tools using iSeries Navigator when the system is running i5/OS, make sure the service tools server is configured for the i5/OS operating system and has been started, and then complete the following steps:

1. From iSeries Navigator, expand My Connections or your active environment.
2. Select the system with which you want to work.
3. Select the specific service function with which you want to work.
   - For logical partition management, expand Configuration and Service. Select Logical Partitions.
   - For disk unit management, expand Configuration and Service. Expand Hardware. Expand Disk Units.

You are prompted to sign on using your service tools user ID.

**Related tasks**

"Configuring the service tools server for i5/OS" on page 27

You must add the service tools server to the service table to access service tools on the operating system using TCP/IP and iSeries Navigator.

**Related reference**

"Service tools server" on page 27

With the service tools server, you can use your PC to perform service functions through TCP/IP.

"Configuring the service tools server for DST" on page 26

You can configure the service tools server to be available when your system has been powered on to dedicated service tools (DST).

**Related information**

Connecting to System i: iSeries Navigator

**Managing service tools user IDs**

Developing an effective strategy for managing service tools user IDs involves a series of tasks, such as configuring service tools user IDs, resetting QSECOFR passwords, and saving or restoring service tools security data.

**Related reference**

"Accessing service tools” on page 8

To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), or iSeries Navigator.

**Configuring service tools user IDs**

You can create, display, change, and delete service tools user IDs from dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST).

**Related tasks**

"Accessing service tools using SST" on page 10

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.
Creating service tools user IDs and passwords

To enable the service tools server with its own network interface card, complete these steps.

To enable the service tools server with its own network interface card, complete these steps.

Related reference

"Changing service tools user IDs and passwords” on page 20

You have various ways to change the service tools user IDs and passwords. You can use dedicated service tools (DST), or system service tools (SST), which is the Start SST (STRSST ) command, or the Change Service Tools User ID (QSYCHGDS) API.

Configuring service tools user IDs using DST:

You can use dedicated service tools (DST) to create, change, display, enable, disable, and delete service tools user IDs.

Related tasks

"Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using DST” on page 20

To change a service tools user ID password using dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

Creating a service tools user ID using DST:

To create a service tools user ID using dedicated service tools (DST), follow these steps.

1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password.
3. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.
4. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.
5. Type 1 (Create) on the Work with Service Tools User IDs display, type the new service tools user ID in the field provided and press Enter. The Create Service Tools User ID display appears.

Note: User IDs can be from 1-10 characters. They should be in uppercase and can include letters and numbers, as well as the special characters #, @, $, or _. Special characters are allowed for the first character in the user ID. User IDs cannot include spaces between characters.

6. Enter information about the new user ID:
   • **Username**: The name of the new service tools user ID.
   • **Password**: This password is used by the new user ID. The password must be at least 1 character in length. If you use DES encryption (or default password level), the maximum password allowed is 8 digits. If you use SHA encryption (or password level 2), then 128-digit case-sensitive passwords are allowed.
   • **Allow user ID access before storage management recovery**: The default for this field is 2 (No).
   • **Set password to expired**: The default for this field is 1 (Yes).
   • **Description**: This is an optional field, which can be used for more detailed information about the owner of the user ID, such as name, department, and telephone number.

7. After all information about the user ID has been entered, you can choose one of these options:
   • To create the user ID with the default functional privileges, press Enter.
   • To change the default functional privileges, press F5 to go to the Change Service Tools User ID Privileges display. This display lists all the service tools, to which privileges might be granted. See "Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using DST” on page 14 for more information about changing functional privileges.

Related concepts
"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Related tasks
"Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using DST" on page 20
To change a service tools user ID password using dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using DST:

To change the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using dedicated service tools (DST), follow these steps.
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password.
3. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.
4. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.
5. On the Work with Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID to change and type 7 (Change privileges) in the Option field. The Change Service Tools User Privileges display appears.
   • Type 1 (Revoke) in the Option field next to the functional privileges you want to remove from the user ID.
   • Type 2 (Grant) in the Option field next to the functional privileges you want to add to the user ID.
6. Press Enter to enable these changes. If you press F3 (Exit) before pressing Enter, the changes do not take effect. If you press F9 (Defaults), the functional privileges are reset to the default values.

Related concepts
"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Changing the description for a service tools user ID using DST:

To change the description for a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.
3. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.
4. On the Work with Service Tools User ID display, select the user ID description to change and type 8 (Change description) in the Option field.
5. In the Description field, enter a new description for the user ID. This might include the user’s name, department, and telephone number.

Related concepts
"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Displaying a service tools user ID using DST:

To display a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.

2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.

3. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.

4. On the Work with Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID you want to display and type 4 (Display) in the Option field. The Display Service Tools User ID display appears. This display shows information relating to the user ID, including the following information:
   - Previous sign-on (date and time).
   - Sign-on attempts not valid.
   - Status.
   - Date password last changed.
   - Allow user ID access before storage management recovery (Yes or No).
   - Date password expires.
   - Password set to expire (Yes or No).

5. Press F5 (Display privileges) to view the functional privileges associated with this user ID. The Display Service Tools User Privileges display appears. This display lists all functional privileges and the user’s status for each. You cannot make changes to the user ID from this display.

   **Related concepts**

   "Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8

   To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

   **Enabling a service tools user ID using DST:**

   To enable a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

   1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.

   2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.

   3. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.

   4. On the Work with Service Tools User ID display, select the user ID you want to enable and type 5 (Enable) in the Option field. The Enable Service Tools User ID display appears.

   5. Press Enter to confirm your choice to enable the service tools user ID you selected.

   **Related concepts**

   "Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8

   To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

   **Disabling a service tools user ID using DST:**

   To disable a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

   1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.

   2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.

   3. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.
4. On the Work with Service Tools User ID display, select the user ID you want to disable and type 6 (Disable) in the Option field. The Disable Service Tools User ID display appears.
5. Press Enter to confirm your choice to disable the service tools user ID you selected.

**Related concepts**

"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8

To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

**Deleting a service tools user ID using DST:**

To delete a service tools user ID from dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

**Note:** IBM-supplied service tools user IDs cannot be deleted.

1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. When the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.
3. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.
4. On the Work with Service Tools User ID display, select the user ID you want to delete and type 3 (Delete) in the Option field. The Delete Service Tools User ID display appears.
5. You are prompted for confirmation of your choice to delete the user ID.
   - Press Enter to delete the user ID.
   - Press F12 (Cancel) to cancel the action and return to the Work with Service Tools User ID display.

**Related concepts**

"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8

To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

**Configuring service tools user IDs using SST:**

You can use system service tools (SST) to create, change, display, enable, disable, and delete service tools user IDs.

**Related tasks**

"Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using SST" on page 21

To change a service tools user ID password using system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

**Creating a service tools user ID using SST:**

To create a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password.
3. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
4. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
5. Type 1 (Create) on the Service Tools User IDs display, and type the new service tools user ID in the field provided and press Enter. The Create Service Tools User ID display appears.
Note: User IDs can be from 1-10 characters. They should be in uppercase and can include letters and numbers, as well as the special characters #, @, $, or _. Special characters are allowed for the first character in the user ID. User IDs cannot include spaces between characters.

6. Enter information about the new user ID:
   - **Username:** The name of the new service tools user ID.
   - **Password:** This password is used by the new user ID. The password must be at least 1 character in length. If you use DES encryption (or default password level), the maximum password allowed is 8 digits. If you use SHA encryption (or password level 2), then 128-digit case-sensitive passwords are allowed.
   - **Allow user ID access before storage management recovery:** The default for this field is 2 (No).
   - **Set password to expired:** The default for this field is 1 (Yes).
   - **Description:** This is an optional field, which can be used for more detailed information about the owner of the user ID, such as name, department, and telephone number.

7. After all information about the user ID has been entered, you can choose one of these options:
   - To create the user ID with the default functional privileges, press Enter.
   - To change the default functional privileges, press F5 to go to the Change Service Tools User ID Privileges display. This display lists all the service tools to which privileges might be granted. See Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using SST for more information about changing functional privileges.

**Related tasks**

To change a service tools user ID password using system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

**Accessing service tools using SST** on page 10
If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.

**Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using SST**
To change the functional privileges for a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

Changing the functional privileges for a service tools user ID using SST:

To change the functional privileges for a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
3. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
4. On the Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID to change and type 7 (Change privileges) in the **Option** field. The Change Service Tools User Privileges display appears.
   - Type 1 (Revoke) in the **Option** field next to the functional privileges you want to remove from the user ID.
   - Type 2 (Grant) in the **Option** field next to the functional privileges you want to add to the user ID.
5. Press Enter to enable these changes. If you press F3 (Exit) before pressing Enter, the changes do not take effect. If you press F9 (Defaults), the functional privileges are reset to the default values.

**Related tasks**

To create a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.
Changing the description for a service tools user ID using SST:

To change the description for a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.
1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
3. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
4. On the Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID description to change and type 8 (Change description) in the Option field.
5. In the Description field, enter a new description for the user ID. This might include the user’s name, department, and telephone number.

Related tasks

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.

Displaying a service tools user ID using SST:

To display a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.
1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
3. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
4. On the Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID you want to display and type 4 (Display) in the Option field. The Display Service Tools User ID display appears. This display shows information relating to the user ID, including the following information:
   • Previous sign-on (date and time).
   • Sign-on attempts not valid.
   • Status.
   • Date password last changed.
   • Allow user ID access before storage management recovery (Yes or No).
   • Date password expires.
   • Password set to expire (Yes or No).
5. Press F5 (Display privileges) to view the functional privileges associated with this user ID. The Display Service Tools User Privileges display appears. This display lists all functional privileges and the user’s status for each. You cannot make changes to the user ID from this display.

Related tasks

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.

Enabling a service tools user ID using SST:

To enable a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.
1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
3. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
4. On the Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID you want to enable and type 5 (Enable) in the Option field. The Enable Service Tools User ID display appears.
5. Press Enter to confirm your choice to enable the service tools user ID you selected.

Related tasks

"Accessing service tools using SST" on page 10

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.

Disabling a service tools user ID using SST:

To disable a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.
1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
3. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
4. On the Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID you want to disable and type 6 (Disable) in the Option field. The Disable Service Tools User ID display appears.
5. Press Enter to confirm your choice to disable the service tools user ID you selected.

Related tasks

"Accessing service tools using SST" on page 10

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.

Deleting a service tools user ID using SST:

To delete a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

Note: IBM-supplied service tools user IDs cannot be deleted.
1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using your service tools user ID and password. When the System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and devices).
3. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user IDs).
4. On the Service Tools User IDs display, select the user ID you want to delete and type 3 (Delete) in the Option field. The Delete Service Tools User ID display appears.
5. You are prompted for confirmation of your choice to delete the user ID.
   • Press Enter to delete the user ID.
   • Press F12 (Cancel) to cancel the action and return to the Work with Service Tools User ID display.

Related tasks

"Accessing service tools using SST" on page 10

If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access service tools.
Changing service tools user IDs and passwords

You have various ways to change the service tools user IDs and passwords. You can use dedicated service tools (DST), or system service tools (SST), which is the Start SST (STRSST) command, or the Change Service Tools User ID (QSYCHGDS) API.

You should have already configured service tools user IDs and you might want to review the recommendations for managing service tools user IDs before changing any existing service tools user IDs and passwords.

**Attention:** If you lose or forget the passwords for all security officer profiles and all security service tools user IDs, you might need to install and initialize your system from the distribution media to recover them. For this reason, it is suggested that you create multiple profiles and user IDs. Contact your service provider for assistance.

**Related concepts**

"Recovering or resetting QSECOFR passwords” on page 22

When IBM ships a system, both a QSECOFR user profile and a QSECOFR service tools user ID are supplied. When you lose your QSECOFR user profile password or your QSECOFR service tools user ID, use one of the passwords to reset the other.

**Related reference**

"Configuring service tools user IDs” on page 12

You can create, display, change, and delete service tools user IDs from dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST).

"Recommendations for managing service tools user IDs” on page 25

Here are the recommendations to ensure the security of your service tools user IDs.

Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using DST:

To change a service tools user ID password using dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.

1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Sign on to DST using your service tools user ID and password. The Use dedicated service tools (DST) display appears.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.
4. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 3 (Service tools user IDs) to work with service tools user IDs. The Work with Service Tools User IDs display appears.
5. On the Work with Service Tools User ID display, find the user ID to change and type 2 (Change password) in the **Option** field.
   a. If you have the service tool security privilege that allows you to change other service tools user IDs, the Change Service Tools User Password for Another User display is shown. The service tools user ID name is displayed. Verify that this is the user ID name you want to change. Complete the following fields:
      • **New password**: Enter a new password.
      • **Set Password to expired**: Type 1 (Yes) or 2 (No) in this field. The default value is 1 (Yes).
   b. If you do not have the system administrative privilege that allows you to change other service tools user IDs, the Change Service Tools User Password display is shown. Complete the following fields:
      • **Current password**: Enter the password currently in use for the service tools user ID.
      • **New password**: Enter a new password. This password cannot be one of your 18 previous passwords for this service tools user ID. The default previous password remembered is 18. Option 10 (Duplicate password control) can be used to change the value from 0 to 32.
      • **New password (to verify)**: Enter the new password again.
6. Press Enter to complete the change. If your new password is not accepted, you might not have
complied with the password policies for service tools user IDs. Review these policies and make sure
you comply with them when choosing a service tools user ID password. The maximum required for
the password is 8 or 128 digits depending upon whether you use DES or SHA encryption.

**Related concepts**

“Accessing service tools using DST” on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or
from a manual initial program load (IPL).

**Related tasks**

“Creating a service tools user ID using DST” on page 13
To create a service tools user ID using dedicated service tools (DST), follow these steps.

**Related reference**

“Configuring service tools user IDs using DST” on page 13
You can use dedicated service tools (DST) to create, change, display, enable, disable, and delete service
tools user IDs.

“Password policies for service tools user IDs” on page 6
Here are the password policies for service tools user IDs and the process of changing Data Encryption
Standard (DES) and Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption.

### Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using SST:

To change a service tools user ID password using system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

1. Start SST.
2. Sign on to SST using a service tools user ID and password that has the service tool security privilege.
The System Service Tools (SST) main menu appears.
3. From the System Service Tools (SST) main menu, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs
and devices).
4. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs And Devices display, select option 1 (Service tools user
IDs).
5. On the Service Tools User IDs display, find the user ID to change and type 2 (Change password) in
the **Option** field.
6. The Change Service Tools User Password for Another User display appears. The service tools user ID
name is displayed. Verify that this is the user ID name you want to change and complete the
following fields:
   - **New password**: Enter a new password. The minimum required for the password is 1 digit (same as
     creating a password) and the maximum is 8 or 128 digits depending upon whether you use DES or
     SHA encryption.
   - **Set Password to expired**: Type 1 (Yes) or 2 (No) in this field. The default value is 1 (Yes).
7. Press Enter to complete the change. If your new password is not accepted, you might not have
complied with the password policies for service tools user IDs. Review these policies and make sure
you comply with them when choosing a service tools user ID password.

**Related tasks**

“Creating a service tools user ID using SST” on page 16
To create a service tools user ID from system service tools (SST), complete these steps.

“Accessing service tools using SST” on page 10
If your user profile has the required authorizations, you can use system service tools (SST) to access
service tools.

**Related reference**

“Configuring service tools user IDs using SST” on page 16
You can use system service tools (SST) to create, change, display, enable, disable, and delete service
tools user IDs.
Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using the STRSST command or QSCHGDS API:

You can change your service tools user ID password using the Start System Service Tools (STRSST) command or the Change Service Tools User ID (QSCHGDS) API.

**Related reference**

"Password policies for service tools user IDs” on page 6
Here are the password policies for service tools user IDs and the process of changing Data Encryption Standard (DES) and Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption.

Changing service tools user ID password using the STRSST command:

To change your service tools user ID password using the Start System Service Tools (STRSST) command, complete these steps.

1. On the STRSST command sign-on panel, type your service tools user ID and press F9 (Change Password). The Change Password display appears.
2. From the Change Password display, enter your current password, your new password, and the new password again to verify it. This password cannot be one of your 18 previous passwords. If you try to use a previous password, you get an error message. Press Enter.

If all passwords are typed correctly and your new password is accepted, you are able to sign on with your new password. If your new password is not accepted, you might not have complied with the password policies for service tools user IDs. Review these policies and make sure you comply with them when choosing a service tools user ID password.

**Related reference**

"Password policies for service tools user IDs” on page 6
Here are the password policies for service tools user IDs and the process of changing Data Encryption Standard (DES) and Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption.

Changing service tools user IDs and passwords using the QSCHGDS API:

You can use the Change Service Tools User ID (QSCHGDS) API to change your service tools user ID and password or to change the service tools user ID and password for another user if you have sufficient privileges.

The QSCHGDS API can also be useful if you have several systems and you need to manage service tools user IDs across all of those systems.

**Related information**

[Change Service Tools User ID (QSCHGDS) API]

Recovering or resetting QSECOFR passwords

When IBM ships a system, both a QSECOFR user profile and a QSECOFR service tools user ID are supplied. When you lose your QSECOFR user profile password or your QSECOFR service tools user ID, use one of the passwords to reset the other.

Your QSECOFR service tools user ID can have a different password from your QSECOFR user profile. Service tools user IDs have different password policies from user profiles.

It is suggested that you create multiple profiles and user IDs. Contact your service provider for assistance. If you know either of these passwords, this information tells you how to recover the password you do not know.
Related reference

"Changing service tools user IDs and passwords" on page 20
You have various ways to change the service tools user IDs and passwords. You can use dedicated service tools (DST), or system service tools (SST), which is the Start SST (STRSST) command, or the Change Service Tools User ID (QSYCHGIDS) API.

"Recommendations for managing service tools user IDs" on page 25
Here are the recommendations to ensure the security of your service tools user IDs.

"Password policies for service tools user IDs" on page 6
Here are the password policies for service tools user IDs and the process of changing Data Encryption Standard (DES) and Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) encryption.

"Troubleshooting service tools user IDs and passwords" on page 31
When you have problems with service tools user IDs and passwords, refer to this information for solutions.

Resetting the QSECOFR user profile password:

If you know the password for the QSECOFR service tools user ID, use this password to reset the QSECOFR user profile to its initial value (QSECOFR).

This procedure requires you to perform an initial program load (IPL) on your system. The change does not take effect until after the IPL. To reset the QSECOFR user profile, complete the following steps:

1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) from the Use DST menu.
4. Select option 6 (Work with Service Tools Security Data) from the Work with DST Environment menu. The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
5. Select option 1 (Reset operating system default password). The Confirm Reset of System Default Password display is displayed.
6. Press Enter to confirm the reset. A confirmation message is displayed telling you that the system has set the operating system password override.
7. Continue pressing F3 (Exit) to return to the Exit DST menu.
8. Select option 1 (Exit DST). The IPL or Install the System menu is displayed.
9. Select option 1 (Perform an IPL). The system continues with a manual IPL.
10. When the IPL completes, return the keylock switch or electronic keystick to the Auto position, if applicable.
11. Sign on to i5/OS as QSECOFR. Use the CHGPWD command to change the QSECOFR password to a new value. Store the new value in a safe place.

Attention: Do not leave the QSECOFR password set to the default. This is a security exposure because this is the value included in every system and is commonly known.

Related concepts

"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Resetting the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password:

If you know the password for the QSECOFR user profile, use this password to reset the password for the IBM-supplied service tools user ID that has service tools security privilege (QSECOFR) to the IBM-supplied default value.

Complete the following steps to reset the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password:
1. Ensure that the system is in normal operating mode, not DST.
2. Sign on at a workstation using the QSECOFR user profile.
4. Type "DEFAULT and press the Enter key. This sets the IBM-supplied service tools user ID that has service tools security privilege and its password to QSECOFR."

Attention: Do not leave the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password set to the default value. This is a security exposure because this is the value included in every system and is commonly known.

Saving and restoring service tools security data
The service tools security data is saved as part of a save system using the Save System (SAVSYS) command or save Licensed Internal Code operation. The service tools security data can also be saved manually from dedicated service tools (DST). You can work with service tools security data from DST.

Saving service tools security data:
To save service tools security data using dedicated service tools (DST), complete these steps.
1. From the Work with DST Environment menu, select option 6 (Service tools security data).
2. From the Work with Service Tools Security Data menu, select option 5 (Save service tools security data). The Save Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
3. Make sure the device is available, and then select one of the available options:
   • Tape
     a. Press Enter to save the data. The Work with Tape Devices menu is displayed.
     b. You can select, deselect, or display details on any of the tape devices that are displayed. Enter the appropriate value in the Option field next to the tape device, to which you want to save the security data.
   • Optical
     a. Press Enter to save the data. The Work with Optical Devices display appears.
     b. You can select, deselect, or display details on any of the optical devices that are displayed. Enter the appropriate value in the Option field next to the optical device, to which you want to save the security data.

Restoring service tools security data:
To restore service tools security data using dedicated service tools (DST), complete the following steps:
1. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 6 (Service tools security data).
2. From the Work with Service Tools Security Data menu, select option 4 (Restore service tools security data). The Select Media Type display appears.
3. Make sure the device is available, and select one of the available options:
   • Tape
     a. Press Enter to restore the data. The Work with Tape Devices display appears.
     b. You can select, deselect, or display details on any of the tape devices that appear. If you choose to select, continue to step 4
   • Optical
     a. Press Enter to restore the data. The Work with Optical Devices display appears.
     b. You might choose to select, deselect, or display details on any of the optical devices that appear. If you choose to select, continue to step 4
4. Select the device, from which you want to restore security data. The instructions for selecting the device are the same for tape and optical devices.
a. Type option 1 (Select) in the Option field next to the resource you want to work with. The Restore Service Tools User ID display appears.

b. Select one of these options:
   - To restore all service tools user IDs:
     1) Type 1 in the Option field.
     2) Press Enter. All service tools user IDs are restored.
   - To choose the service tools user IDs you want to restore:
     1) Type 2 in the Option field and press Enter. The Select Service Tools User ID to Restore display appears.
     2) Type 1 (Select) in the Option field next to the profile you want to restore. Press Enter. That service tools user ID is restored.

Recommendations for managing service tools user IDs
Here are the recommendations to ensure the security of your service tools user IDs.

Creating your own version of the QSECOFR service tools user ID

Do not use the IBM-supplied service tools user ID QSECOFR. Instead, review what functional privileges are given to QSECOFR and create a duplicate user ID with a different name that has the same functional privileges. Use this new user ID to manage your other service tools user IDs. This can help eliminate the security exposure that originates because QSECOFR is the value included in every system and is commonly known.

Attention: Do not leave the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password set to the default value. This is a security exposure because this is the value included in every system and is commonly known.

Service tools security functional privilege

The Service tools security functional privilege is the privilege that allows a service tools user ID to create and manage other service tools user IDs. Because this is a powerful privilege, only your QSECOFR-equivalent service tools user ID should be given this privilege. Give careful consideration to whom you grant this functional privilege.

Related concepts
“Recovering or resetting QSECOFR passwords” on page 22
When IBM ships a system, both a QSECOFR user profile and a QSECOFR service tools user ID are supplied. When you lose your QSECOFR user profile password or your QSECOFR service tools user ID, use one of the passwords to reset the other.

Related reference
“Changing service tools user IDs and passwords” on page 20
You have various ways to change the service tools user IDs and passwords. You can use dedicated service tools (DST), or system service tools (SST), which is the Start SST (STRSST) command, or the Change Service Tools User ID (QSICNGDS) API.

Configuring the service tools server
You can configure the service tools server for dedicated service tools (DST), the operating system, or both.

Note: If your system is using Operations Console (LAN), the service tools server is already configured.

Related reference
“Service tools server” on page 7
With the service tools server, you can use your PC to perform service functions through TCP/IP.
**Configuring the service tools server for DST**

You can configure the service tools server to be available when your system has been powered on to dedicated service tools (DST).

If you use only the Operations Console with LAN connectivity to perform DST activities, you do not need to reconfigure the service tools server because it is already available to you when the system has been powered on to DST.

The service tools server requires a dedicated LAN adapter unless Operations Console (LAN) is already in use or has previously been configured; for example, the LAN console is being used as a backup console. Verify that you have satisfied the hardware requirements using one of the following methods:

1. If your system is not running in a logical partitioning environment, the service tools server resource is required to be installed in a specific location, based on your model. See Operations Console hardware requirements to verify this location.

2. If your system is running in a logical partitioning environment, use one of the following options to specify the service tools server resource:
   - If your system is an 8xx model, then you need to tag the I/O processor (IOP) that the LAN adapter reports to as the console and for electronic customer support (even if electronic customer support is not being used.)
   - If your system is an i5/5xx model, then you need to tag the actual LAN adapter to be used for the service tools server as the console. You need to temporarily configure the system for Operations Console (LAN) to configure.

You need to temporarily configure the system for Operations Console (LAN) to configure the LAN adapter and activate the resource. After you verify that the resource is working properly, you can specify your original console.

You can enable the service tools server through DST or SST by dedicating a network interface card to the service tools server.

**Related concepts**

*Accessing service tools using iSeries Navigator* on page 11

You can access service tools from iSeries Navigator when your system has been powered on to dedicated service tools (DST) or is running the operating system.

**Related information**

Operations Console hardware requirements

**Configuring the service tools server using DST:**

To enable the service tools server with its own network interface card, complete these steps.

1. From the Use dedicated service tools (DST) display, select option 5 (Work with DST environment) and press Enter. The Work with DST Environment display appears.

2. From the Work with DST Environment display, select option 2 (System devices) and press Enter. The Work with System Devices display appears.

3. From the Work with System Devices display, select option 7 (Configure service tools LAN adapter) and press Enter. The Configure Service Tools LAN Adapter display appears.

**Note:** If you receive a message indicating no resource is available or it is the wrong type, you have not satisfied the hardware requirements for the service tools server.

4. From the Configure service tools LAN adapter display, enter the TCP/IP information. Press F1 (Help) for the type of information required in each field.

5. Press F7 (Store) to save your changes.

6. Press F14 (Activate) to activate the adapter.
The service tools server is ready to use with a valid service tools user ID.

Related reference
“Configuring service tools user IDs” on page 12
You can create, display, change, and delete service tools user IDs from dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST).

Related information
Operations Console hardware requirements

Configuring the service tools server using SST:

To enable the service tools server with its own network interface card, complete these steps.
1. From the system service tools (SST) display, select option 8 (Work with service tools user IDs and Devices) and press Enter.
2. From the Work With Service Tools User IDs and Devices display, select option 4 (Configure service tools LAN adapter) and press Enter. You might get an error message, which indicates that there is no valid hardware.
3. From the Configure Service Tools LAN Adapter display, enter the TCP/IP information. Press F1 (Help) for the type of information required in each field.

Note: If you receive a message that indicates no resource is available or it is the wrong type, you have not satisfied the hardware requirements for the service tools server.
4. Press F7 (Store) to save your changes.
5. Press F14 (Activate) to activate the adapter.

The service tools server is ready to use with a valid service tools user ID.

Related reference
“Configuring service tools user IDs” on page 12
You can create, display, change, and delete service tools user IDs from dedicated service tools (DST) or system service tools (SST).

Configuring the service tools server for i5/OS
You must add the service tools server to the service table to access service tools on the operating system using TCP/IP and iSeries Navigator.

You can add the service tools server before configuring your local area network (LAN).

To add the service tools server to the service table, complete the following steps:
1. From any command line, type ADDSRVTBLE (Add Service Table Entry) and press Enter. The Add Service Table Entry display appears.
2. Enter the following information in the fields provided:
   • Service: as-sts
   • Port: 3000
   • Protocol: ‘tcp’ (this entry must appear in lowercase and in single quotation marks)
   • Text description: ‘Service Tools Server’ This field is optional, but you are strongly recommended to enter a description of the table entry.
3. Press F10 (Additional Parameters).
4. Enter AS-STS in the Alias field. The Alias must be capitalized because some table searches are case-sensitive.
5. Press Enter to add the table entry.
6. Enter ENDTCP (End TCP) to end TCP/IP if this is possible in your environment. TCP/IP must be ended and restarted before you can use the service table entry. If you cannot end TCP at this time,
you cannot use the service tools server. Instead of using the ENDTCP or Start TCP (STRTCP) command, users can initial program load (IPL) at their convenience.

7. Enter STRTCP. Verify that the service tools server is listening to port 3000 by entering NETSTAT
   OPTION(+CNN) from a 5250 session. Look for as-sts under the heading Local Port with a State value of
   Listen.

If you use iSeries Navigator to perform disk unit or logical partition configuration and management, you
need to complete the following steps once per system:

Note: If your server model is not 8xx, you must use the Hardware Management Console (HMC) to
manage i5/OS logical partitions.
1. From an iSeries Navigator session, right-click the system name under My Connections (for your
   environment you might use your own name for the connections function instead of the default My
   Connections).
2. Click Application Administration.
3. Click OK until you see a window that has a Host Applications tab. Click the Host Applications tab, expand i5/OS → Service.
4. Select any of the service tools that you want to authorize: Disk Units,
   QIBM_QYTP_SERVICE_LPARMGMT, or Service Trace. You can select more than one.
5. Click OK. These functions are now available to the iSeries Navigator user provided they have a
   service tools user ID.

After the service tools server has been added to the service table, authorized users can access the logical
partition (LPAR) and disk management service functions using iSeries Navigator and TCP/IP. Note that,
as with all service tools user IDs, you can selectively grant or restrict a user to specific service functions
using functional privileges.

Related concepts
"Accessing service tools using iSeries Navigator” on page 11
You can access service tools from iSeries Navigator when your system has been powered on to
dedicated service tools (DST) or is running the operating system.

Related information
Connecting to System i: iSeries Navigator
Partitioning with the System i

Monitoring service function use
You can monitor the use of service functions through the dedicated service tools (DST) security log or
through the i5/OS security audit log. These logs help you trace unusual access patterns or potential
security risks.

Related reference
"Service tools user IDs” on page 4

Service tools user IDs are user IDs that are required for accessing service functions through dedicated
service tools (DST), system service tools (SST), iSeries Navigator (for logical partitions and disk unit
management), and Operations Console.

Monitoring service function use through DST
You can use the dedicated service tools (DST) security log to monitor service functions. Any time a user
signs on to DST using a service tools user ID, the event is logged by the service tools security log.

To work with the Service Tools security log, complete the following steps:
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) from the Use DST menu.
4. Select option 6 (Work with Service Tools Security Data) from the Work with DST Environment display. The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
5. From the Work with Service Tools Security Data menu, select option 3 (Work with service tools security log) and press Enter. The Work with Service Tools Security Log display is shown. This display shows security-related activity by date and time.
6. Press F6 (Print) to print this log.
7. Type 5 (Display details) in the Option field of the activity you are interested in. The Display Service Tools Security Log Details display is shown with the information for the activity you selected.

Related concepts

"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Monitoring service tools use through security audit log
The security audit log can be used to record the service tools actions by individual user IDs.

To enable the security audit log to record service tools actions, complete the following steps for each system on which you want to enable the security audit log.
1. From an iSeries Navigator session, select the server name under My Connections (for your environment, you might use your own name for the connections function instead of the default My Connections). Sign on using an ID that has both all object (*ALLOBJ) and all audit (*ALLAUDIT) special authorities.
2. Expand Security, select Policies, and double-click Auditing policy.
3. Click the System tab. Make sure the following items are checked (other items might also be checked):
   • Activate action auditing.
   • Security tasks.
   • Service tasks.
4. Click OK. These security audit log functions are now available on your system.

After the security audit log functions have been enabled, the log information is displayed in the journal receiver. To access the current service tools action entry in the journal receiver, enter the Display Journal (DSPJRNL) command, DSPJRNL QSYS/QAUDJRNL ENTTYP(ST), on a command line.

After you have accessed the service tools action entry in the journal receiver, you can view service tools audit entries for individual service tools user IDs. These audit entries include actions, such as logging on to SST or DST, changing a service tools user ID password, and accessing service tools. For a complete list of the audit entries and related information, see iSeries Security Reference.

Changing service tools security policies
You can make necessary changes to allow more flexibility for some security policies or rules.

Changing to allow default and expired passwords to be used from SST
You can make changes to allow default and expired service tools passwords to be used from system service tools (SST).

To allow default and expired service tools passwords to be used from SST, follow these steps:
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
4. From the Work with System Security display, change the setting of the Allow a service tools user ID with a default and expired password field from No to Yes.
5. Press F3 (Exit) to return to the Exit DST menu.
6. Select option 1 (Exit DST).

If the QSECOFR service tools user ID has a non-default password or another service tools user ID with service tools security privilege has a non-default password, then follow these steps:
1. Start SST.
2. Enter the service tools user ID and password on the SST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 7 (Work with system security).
4. From the Work with System Security display, change the setting of the Allow a service tools user ID with a default and expired password field from No to Yes.
5. Press F3 (Exit) to return to the SST menu.
6. Press F3 (Exit) and then press Enter to exit SST.

Related concepts
"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8

To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Enabling working with device IDs from SST
To enable working with device IDs from SST, follow these steps.
1. Start DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) from the Use DST menu.
4. Select option 6 (Work with Service Tools Security Data) from the Work with DST Environment menu. The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
5. Select option 7 (Work with lock for device IDs from SST) and press Enter until the status says Enabled.

Note: This option enables or disables the ability of the service tool security user to change the device IDs from SST. The default is disabled, which means that the device IDs can only be changed from DST.
6. Continue pressing F3 (Exit) to return to the Exit DST menu.
7. Select option 1 (Exit DST).

Changing the password expiration interval
To change the default password expiration interval from 180 days, follow these steps.
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) from the Use DST menu.
4. Select option 6 (Work with Service Tools Security Data) from the Work with DST Environment menu. The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
5. Enter a number between 0 and 999 on the option 8 line.

Note: 0 means *NOMAX, which means that the password never expires. Be default, when using SHA encryption, the password expires in 180 days.
6. Select option 8 (Password expiration interval in days) and press Enter.
7. Press F3 (Exit) until you return to the Exit DST menu.
8. Select option 1 (Exit DST).
Changing the maximum failed sign-on attempts
To change the default maximum failed sign-on attempts before the user ID is disabled, follow these steps.
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) from the Use DST menu.
4. Select option 6 (Work with Service Tools Security Data) from the Work with DST Environment menu.
   The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
5. Enter a number between 2 and 99 on the option 9 line.
   Note: The default is 3 failed sign-on attempts, at which point the user ID is disabled.
6. Select option 9 (Maximum sign-on attempts allowed) and press Enter.
7. Continue pressing F3 (Exit) to return to the Exit DST menu.
8. Select option 1 (Exit DST).

Changing the duplicate password control
To change the default duplicate password control, complete these steps.
1. Start DST. Refer to the information about accessing service tools using DST.
2. Enter the QSECOFR service tools user ID and password on the DST Sign-On display.
3. Select option 5 (Work with DST environment) from the Use DST menu.
4. Select option 6 (Work with Service Tools Security Data) from the Work with DST Environment menu.
   The Work with Service Tools Security Data menu is shown.
5. Enter a number between 0 and 32 on the option 10 line.
   Note: 0 means no passwords are remembered and can be reused at any time. The default is 18 passwords remembered before they can be reused.
6. Select option 10 (Duplicate password control) and press Enter.
7. Continue pressing F3 (Exit) to return to the Exit DST menu.
8. Select option 1 (Exit DST).

Troubleshooting service tools user IDs and passwords
When you have problems with service tools user IDs and passwords, refer to this information for solutions.

Problem 1:
You get an error that the password is not correct.
Be sure the password is entered in the correct case. The passwords shipped for the IBM-supplied service tools user IDs are uppercase. If you have changed your password, but sure to enter the password using the same case as when the password was changed.

Problem 2:
You lost the password for the QSECOFR service tools user ID.
Reset the password for the QSECOFR service tools user ID command.
Problem 3:

Your QSECOFR service tools user ID has become disabled because of too many incorrect password attempts. You know the password, but have typed incorrect characters or typed it in lowercase.

You can always sign on to dedicated service tools (DST) with the QSECOFR service tools user ID, even if the password is disabled. You can sign on to DST and re-enable the password from there.

Problem 4:

You get the error Service tools user ID password cannot be changed when attempting to change the password for your service tools user ID using the Change Password display from STRSST or when using the QSYCHGDS API.

Your service tools user ID is the default and has expired. The password cannot be changed from system service tools (SST) or by using the QSYCHGDS API. Use one of the following options:

- Use another service tools ID with appropriate functional privileges to change your password. Then sign on and change your password to a value only you know.
- Access DST to change your password.
- Use another service tools user ID with the appropriate functional privileges to access the Work with System Security option (from DST or SST) and change the setting of the Allow a service tools user ID with a default and expired password to change its own password setting to 1 (Yes). Change your password, and then have the setting changed back to option 2 (No).

Related concepts

"Recovering or resetting QSECOFR passwords" on page 22
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"Accessing service tools using DST" on page 8
To access service tools, you can use dedicated service tools (DST) from the system control panel or from a manual initial program load (IPL).

Related information for Service tools user IDs and passwords

Listed here are the product manuals, Web sites, and information center topics that relate to the Service tools user IDs and passwords topic. You can view or print any of the PDFs.

Manuals

You can also view or print any of the following manuals or topics:

- Tips and Tools for Securing Your iSeries (1370 KB)
- iSeries Service Functions (3110 KB)
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