

# The Password Thief for Windows 95

## ***Installation and User Guide***

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## ***Installation***

The Password Thief consists of three program files:

Thief.exe  
pwthook.dll  
PWTManger.exe

Only two of these files (*Thief.exe* and *pwthook.dll*) must be present for the program to run. The third is only necessary for configuring the program and viewing the password logs.

To install The Password Thief onto a system copy the files *Thief.exe* and *pwthook.dll* into the windows system directory (usually called `c:\windows\system` or `c:\win95\system`).

Configuring the Program

Configuration is done using the Password Thief Manager (PWTManager.exe). This program can be copied anywhere in the system or even run from a diskette.

The Password Thief Manager consists of a dialog box that allows you to launch the application immediately by hitting the Run Now button. Once the application starts running the "Run Now" button becomes grayed out. If the button is already grayed out then the application has already been launched previously.

Once the application is launched it will continuously monitor the system for passwords. Once a password is typed the Password Thief will record all pertinent information in a file called pwtlog.pwt stored in your Windows System directory. This file can only be viewed using the Password Thief Manager.

The "Stop" button can be used to stop the program from running. If the program is not running at the time the stop button will be grayed out.

To run the program automatically every time the computer is started, click on the checkbox that says "Load Automatically at Startup". NOTE: This only causes the program to be launched after Windows 95 is restarted. To start the program you must hit the "Run Now" button.

## ***Viewing the password logs***

Password log can only be viewed using the Password Thief Manager. To view the passwords that have been recorded click on the "View Password Logs". The Password Logs dialog box contains information on the name of the application that prompted the user for a password, the password that was entered, as well as other information that will help to identify the application. This other information was found on the same dialog box that prompted the user for the password.

Also appearing on the dialog box is the number of different passwords recorded. The user may use the scroll bar at the right of the dialog box to scroll through the various passwords.

## ***Uninstalling***

To uninstall the Password Thief from a system, first run the Password Thief Manager. Make sure that the application is not running. That is if the "Stop" button is not grayed out, hit stop. Make sure that the "Load Automatically at Startup" checkbox is not checked. Finally, delete the files Thief.exe, pwthook.dll, PWTManager.exe.

## ***Known Bugs***

Presently Microsoft Excel Passwords seem to escape the Password Thief. Registered users will receive a free upgrade as soon as this problem is fixed.