

# cron for changing root passwords on servers periodically

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## How to set up a periodic root password reset cronjob on servers

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**synopsis:** This article provides instructions for periodically resetting root passwords on servers using Ezeelogin, enabling automated password changes, and manually resetting passwords via the Ezeelogin GUI and shell.

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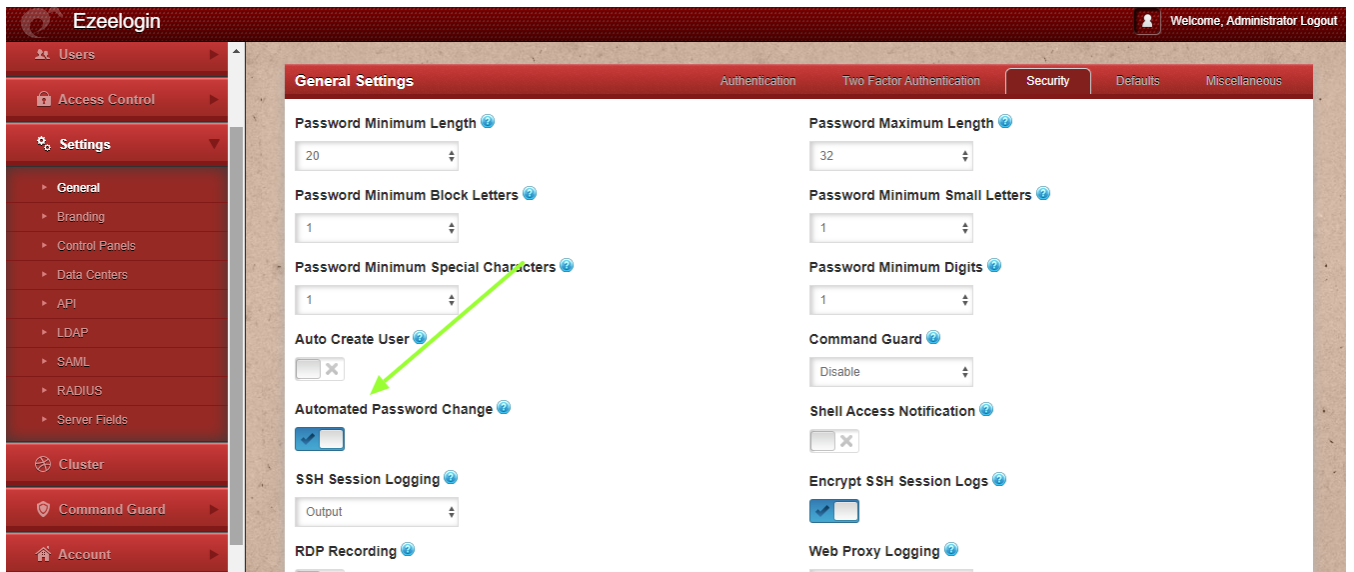
**step 1.** In Ezeelogin V6.x or 7.x.

The file `/var/spool/cron/<admin_user>` on your Ezeelogin gateway should have the following contents.

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1 1 * * 0 php /usr/local/ezlogin/mass_passwd_reset.php
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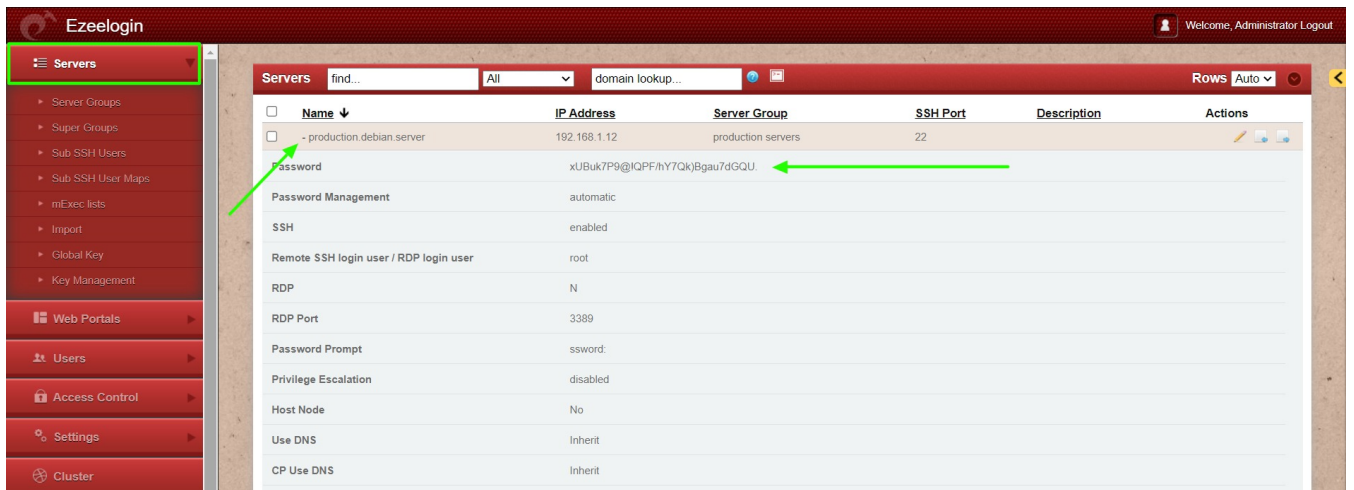
**step 2.** In order to automatically reset the password on all servers, you should also enable "Automated Password Change".

Navigate to **Settings - > Security - > Automated Password Change**.

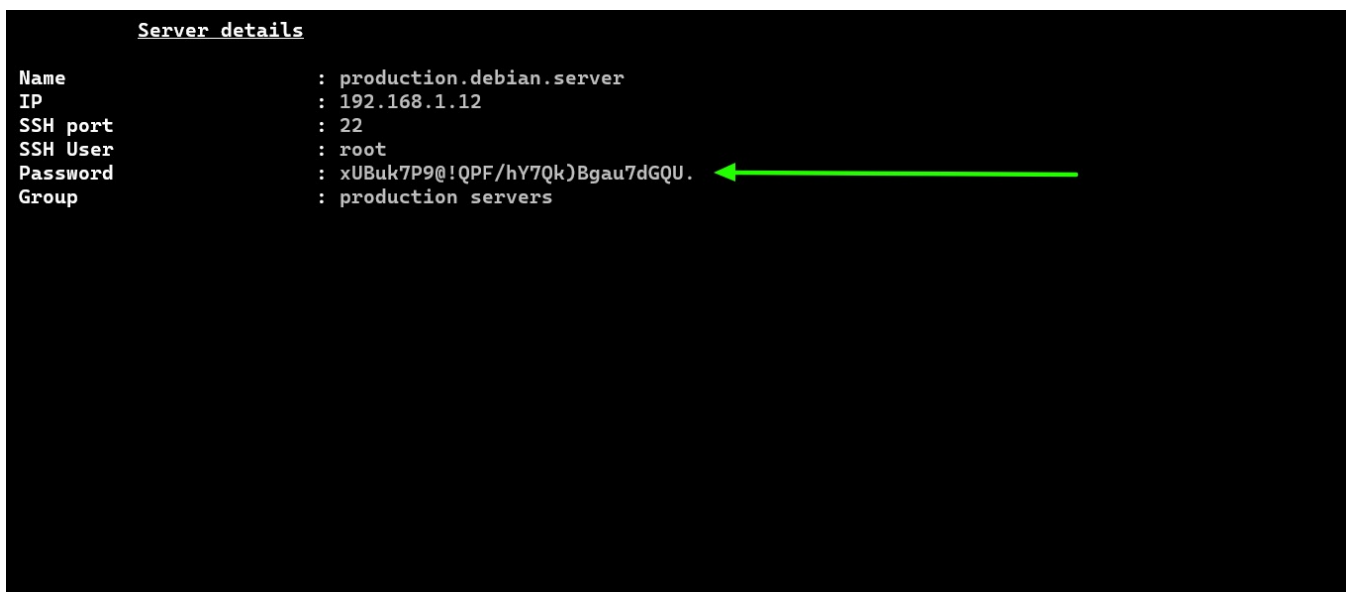


How to view the updated password of the server from Ezeelogin GUI and shell (ezsh)?

Login to **Ezeelogin GUI** -> **Servers** -> **+** icon to view the server details.



Login to Ezeelogin shell (ezsh) -> navigate to any server using the up and down arrow keys, then click the **Tab** button to view the server details.



How to reset the password of the remote server manually?

Login to **Ezeelogin GUI** -> **select the servers** -> click on the **arrow button** on the **top-right corner** -> **Reset password on selected servers**.

Ezeelogin

Welcome, Administrator Logout

Servers

find... All domain lookup...

Rows Auto

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ↓	IP Address	Server Group	SSH Port	Description	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	+ production.centos.server	192.168.43.7	production windows servers	22		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	+ production.debian.server	192.168.1.12	production servers	22		
<input type="checkbox"/>	+ production.ubuntu.server	192.168.43.201	production servers	22		

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Reset password on selected servers

## How to reset passwords on all servers?

Make sure to keep the password management **"Automatic"** on all servers. Click on **Reset password on all servers** to reset passwords on servers.

Ezeelogin

Welcome, Administrator Logout

Servers

Server Groups

Super Groups

Sub SSH Users

Sub SSH User Maps

mExec lists

Import

Global Key

Key Management

Web Portals

Users

Access Control

Settings

Cluster

Edit Server

Hostname

production.debian.server

SSH Private Key

SSH Key Passphrase

Password Management

automatic

SSH Port

22

Control Panel

-- None --

IP Address(es)

192.168.1.12

SSH Password / RDP Password

Clear

Server Group

production servers

SSH

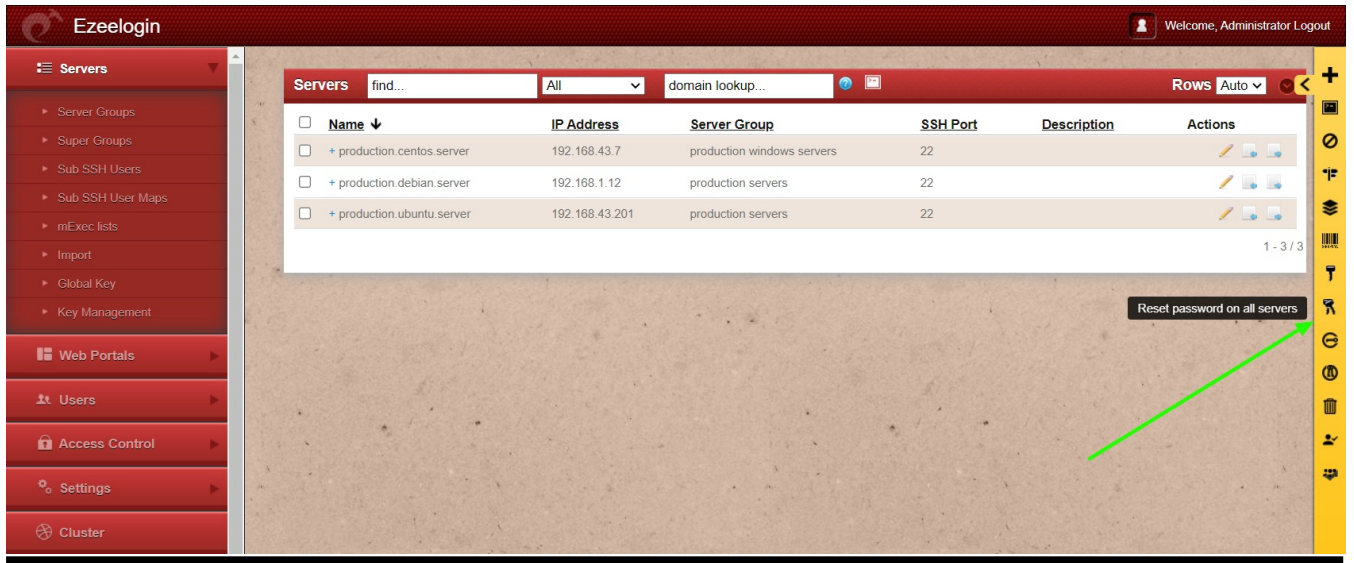
enabled

Remote SSH login user / RDP login user

root

Datacenter

-- None --



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[How to update the password of the remote server automatically](#)

[Password management and the different options](#)

[How do I change the password management option for all remote servers ?](#)

[Credential History in Ezeelogin](#)

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