

# How to change i-MSCP database SQL user password?

## If you know the old password

1. Set a new password to the existent SQL user

```
# mysql -u root -p
> UPDATE mysql.user SET Password=PASSWORD('cleartext password') WHERE
User='root';
> FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
> quit;
```

**Note:** Here, assumption is made that the i-MSCP SQL user is the SQL root user (default). Another way is to run the **mysql\_secure\_installation** script as provided with the MySQL server.

2. Inform i-MSCP about new password

```
# perl /var/www/imscp/engine/setup/imscp-setup
```

Then, you will be asked again about i-MSCP SQL username and password.

## If you do not know the old password

1. Set a new password to the existent SQL user

```
# /etc/init.d/mysql stop
# /usr/bin/mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables &
# mysql -u root
> UPDATE mysql.user SET Password=PASSWORD('PASSWORD') WHERE User='root' AND
Host='localhost';
> FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
> quit;
# /etc/init.d/mysql start
```

2. Inform i-MSCP about new password

```
# perl /var/www/imscp/engine/setup/imscp-setup
```

Then, you will be asked again about i-MSCP SQL username and password.

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