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This article is for users of DESlock+ in a standalone environment. If you are a user that is managed by an Enterprise Server please see the following related article: [KB106 - How can I stop the login box being shown automatically when I start Windows? \(Enterprise Server Managed\)](#)

When Windows loads a Windows user profile the DESlock+ Login Box will appear. This will either request your password if DESlock+ has been setup or offer to setup for this user.



Prevent Login Box from showing

It is possible to stop the login dialog from appearing automatically at system start.

Click the DESlock+ Icon in the Notification Area (also known as the System Tray).

Click the **Settings** item.



Clear the option **Show login box on DESlock+ start-up** then click the **OK** button.



With this setting cleared you can still bring up the dialog manually by selecting the **Login** entry from the DESlock+ system tray menu.

This option is stored as part of the users Windows profile. If there are Windows users on the system not using DESlock+ you may like to disable this setting to prevent the login dialog from appearing for them.

Auto Login

If you have a Windows password enabled and/or you are using full disk encryption on the system you may find it convenient to have the system login to your key-file automatically. The following sections detail the methods to achieve this:

Initial Setup

When first setting up DESlock+ there will be the option to **Auto Login at startup** when Windows loads your user profile. This option is not checked by default.



Existing Setup

If you did not select the auto login option when performing initial setup and the feature is required, it can be activated by performing the following steps:

Click the DESlock+ Icon in the Notification Area (also known as the System Tray).

Click the **Settings** item.



The settings dialog will appear. Click the **Enable** button for the entry **Auto Login after Windows login**.



You will be prompted to enter your Key-File password. Enter the password and click **OK**.



When your Windows profile loads in the future DESlock+ will automatically login to your key-file.

If you re-visit the settings dialog in the future you will see the Key-File section has updated indicating that auto login is enabled.

