

How to Enable Administrator Account in Windows 11

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In this post, we will review a few methods of how to enable the Administrator Account in Windows 11. The built-in administrative account is still present in the newest operating system. Windows 11 traditionally hides it, and you need to activate it manually.

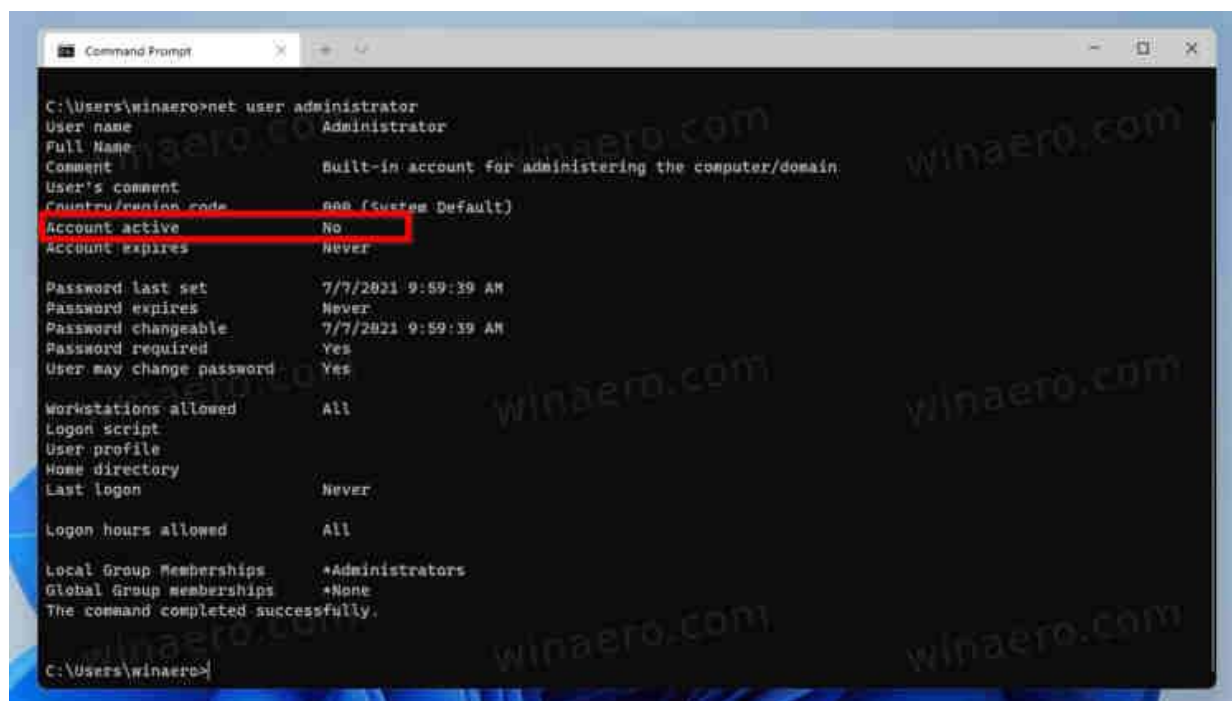
Since Windows Vista, Microsoft has changed how administrative accounts behave. Windows automatically creates the main account, Administrator, but hides it. Users with administrative accounts have to confirm their intention to change important settings. Standard users must know credentials for one of the administrative accounts to do any task that requires a User Account Control approval.

However, if you start Windows 11 in Safe Mode, it will enable the built-in Administrator account and activate it. Also, it is possible to unhide that account for regular working mode.

Before you continue, you may need to check what's the current state of the Administrator account.

Check the account status

Now, type `net user administrator` and hit Enter. In the output, find the line *Account active*.



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C:\Users\winaero>net user administrator
User name                Administrator
Full Name                Built-in account for administering the computer/domain
Comment                  User's comment
Country/coding code     nno (system Default)
Account active            No
Account expires          Never
Password last set       7/7/2021 9:59:39 AM
Password expires        Never
Password changeable     7/7/2021 9:59:39 AM
Password required       Yes
User may change password Yes
Workstations allowed    All
Logon script
User profile
Home directory
Last logon              Never
Logon hours allowed     All
Local Group Memberships *Administrators
Global Group memberships *None
The command completed successfully.
C:\Users\winaero>
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If it says *No*, the account is disabled. If it says *Yes*, then it is enabled.

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1. Right-click the Start button and select *Windows Terminal (Admin)*.
2. Click *Yes* to confirm the User Account Control request.
3. Finally, type `net user administrator /active:yes` and press the Enter key.



```
C:\Users\winaero>net user administrator /active:yes
The command completed successfully.
C:\Users\winaero>
```

4. You will see *The command completed successfully*. This means that you have enabled the Administrator account.