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During installation, you had the ability to set a root password. If you entered a strong password at that time, you do not need to reset it now. If you entered no password, or a weak password, you should change it to a secure password. To do this, open your web browser and type in the IP address of the FreeNAS web GUI that you noted down earlier.

The web GUI will present itself and ask for the login details. Enter the username which is **root** (1) and password (2) which is whatever you decided on at installation and click the "Log In" button (3).

Username: root 1 Password: •••• 2 Log In 3

Now you are logged into FreeNAS. Due to the fact that this is the first login after a fresh install the "Initial Wizard" screen will pop up. I don't use it but this is my preference. I click the "Exit" button when it appears.

I	nitial Wizard	33
0	Language:	English 💌
	Console Keyboard Map:	💌
	Timezone:	America/Los_Angeles 🔻
	Next Exit	

The first thing Fester does is give the root user a strong password if that has not been done already at installation. Go to the "Account" page (1) and click on the "Users" button (2).

Account System Tasks Network	Storage	(interview) Sharing	Services	Plugins	Jails	Reporting	T Wizard		
Account									
Groups Users 2									
Add Group									
Group ID	Group Name	Group Name				Built-in Group			
0	wheel	wheel			true				
1	daemon	daemon				true			
2	kmem	kmem				true			
3	sys	sys				true			
4	tty	tty				true			
5	operator	operator			true				
6	mail	mail				true			
7	bin			true					

Now select the "root" account (1) by clicking on it (it should turn blue when you do) and then click on the "Modify User" button (2).

Account	System	0 Tasks	Network	Storage Directo	ry Sharing	Services P	ran all	s Reporting	T Wizard
Account Groups	Users								
Add User	J								
User ID	1 Usern	ame	Primary Group ID	Home Directory	Shell	Full Name	Built-in Use	r E-mail	Disabl
0	root		0	/root	/bin/csh	root	true		false
1	daem	on	1	/root	/usr/sbin /nologin	Owner of mar system processes	ny true		false
2	opera	tor	5	1	/usr/sbin /nologin	System &	true		false
3	bin		7	/	/usr/sbin /nologin	Binaries Commands a Source	true nd		false
4	tty		65533	/	/usr/sbin /nologin	Tty Sandbox	true		false
5	kmem	i.	2	/	/usr/sbin /nologin	KMem Sandb	ox true		false
7	game	5	13	1	/usr/sbin /nologin	Games pseudo-user	true		false
8	news		8	/	/usr/sbin /nologin	News Subsystem	true		false
9	man		9	/usr/share/man	/usr/sbin /nologin	Mister Man Pages	true		false
14	ftp		14	/nonexistent	/bin/csh		true		false
22 2	sshd		22	/var/empty	/usr/sbin	Secure Shell	true		false

In the "Password:" text box (1) type in your strong password and then type it in again in the "Password confirmation:" text box (2).

Modify U	ser			88	^
User II):	0			
Userna	me:	root			=
Primar	Group:	wheel			_
Home I)irectory:	/root	Browse		
Shell:		csh 💌			
Full Na	me:	root			
E-mail:					
Passwo	ord: 1				
Passwo	ord nation:		i		
Disable login:	password	(i)			
Lock u	ser:				-

The maximum password length in FreeNAS is 128 characters.

Now scroll down and click the "OK" button.

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	Disable password login:		
	Lock user:		
	Permit Sudo:		
	Microsoft Account:		
	SSH Public Key:		
	Home Directory Mode:	Owner Group Other Read Write Execute	
	Auxiliary groups:	Available Selected sys <	Ш
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That's the root user password changed.

