

How to Configure Strong Passwords VC-MDx Recorder

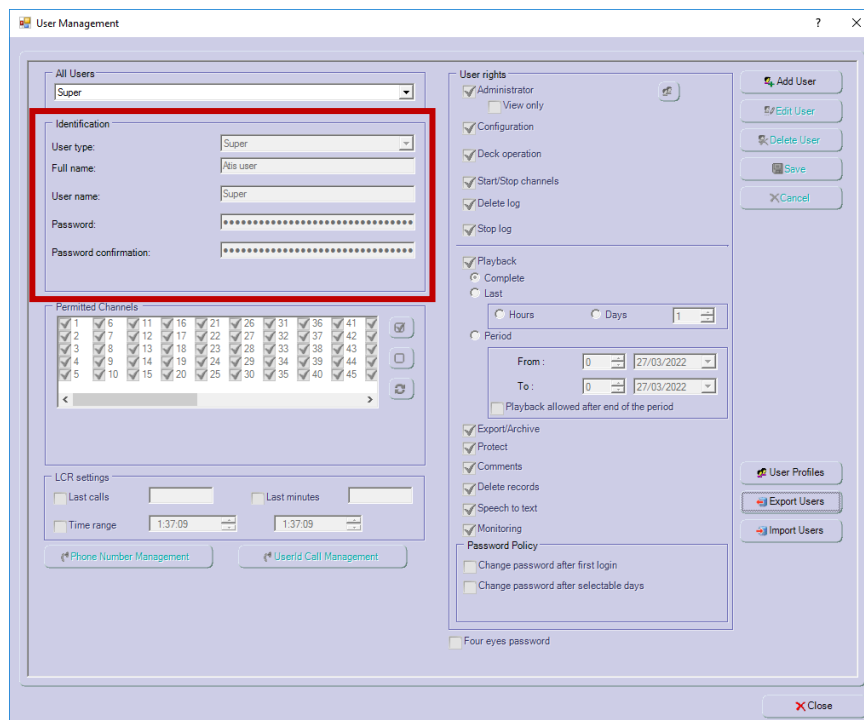
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VC-MDx Password Configuration

This description refers to the document *“Leaflet_MDx_Password_Management_ENG.pdf”*

1. Unique usernames with user identification

⇒ *Open Settings/ User Management*



2. Setting 4 eyes password principle. Two users must enter separate passwords in order to release the user account

⇒ [Open Settings/ User Management](#)

The screenshot shows the 'User Management' window for user 'User1'. The 'Identification' section includes fields for User type (User), Full name (User1), User name (User1), Password (masked with dots), and Password confirmation (masked with dots). There is a 'Locked' checkbox. The 'Permitted Channels' section shows a grid of 45 channels, all with checkmarks. The 'LCR settings' section includes 'Last calls', 'Last minutes', and 'Time range' (1:37:09). The 'User rights' section includes checkboxes for Administrator, View only, Configuration, Deck operation, Start/Stop channels, Delete log, and Stop log. The 'Playback' section has radio buttons for Complete and Last, and a 'Period' section with 'From' and 'To' date pickers (both set to 27/03/2022) and a 'Playback allowed after end of the period' checkbox. The 'Export/Archive' section includes checkboxes for Export/Archive, Protect, Comments, Delete records, and Speech to text. The 'Monitoring' section includes a 'Password Policy' section with checkboxes for 'Change password after first login' and 'Change password after selectable days'. The 'Four eyes password' checkbox is highlighted with a red box.

3. Standard passwords (default settings) must be changed

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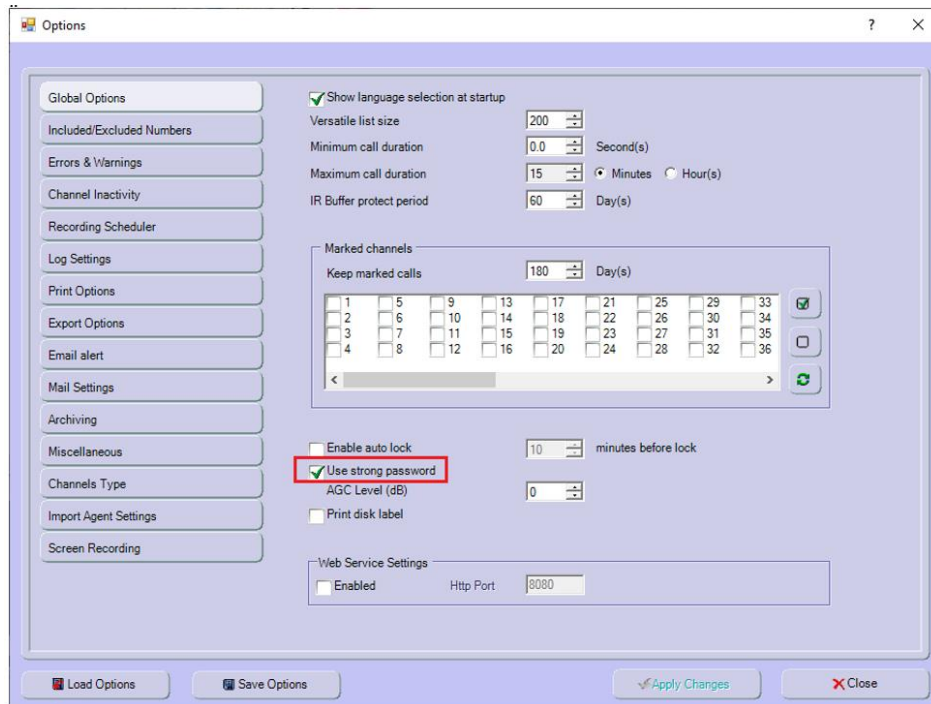
The screenshot shows the 'User Management' window with the following sections:

- All Users:** A dropdown menu showing 'User1'.
- Identification:**
 - User type: User
 - Full name: User1
 - User name: User1
 - Password: [masked]
 - Password confirmation: [masked]
 - Locked
- Permitted Channels:** A grid of 45 channels (1-45) with checkmarks in the first column and a refresh button.
- LCR settings:**
 - Last calls [input]
 - Last minutes [input]
 - Time range: 1:37:09 [input] 1:37:09 [input]
- User rights:**
 - Administrator
 - View only
 - Configuration
 - Deck operation
 - Start/Stop channels
 - Delete log
 - Stop log
 - Playback
 - Complete
 - Last
 - Hours: [input] Days: [input]
 - Period
 - From: [input] 27/03/2022 [input]
 - To: [input] 27/03/2022 [input]
 - Playback allowed after end of the period
 - Export/Archive
 - Protect
 - Comments
 - Delete records
 - Speech to text
 - Monitoring
 - Password Policy:**
 - Change password after first login
 - Change password after selectable days
 - Four eyes password

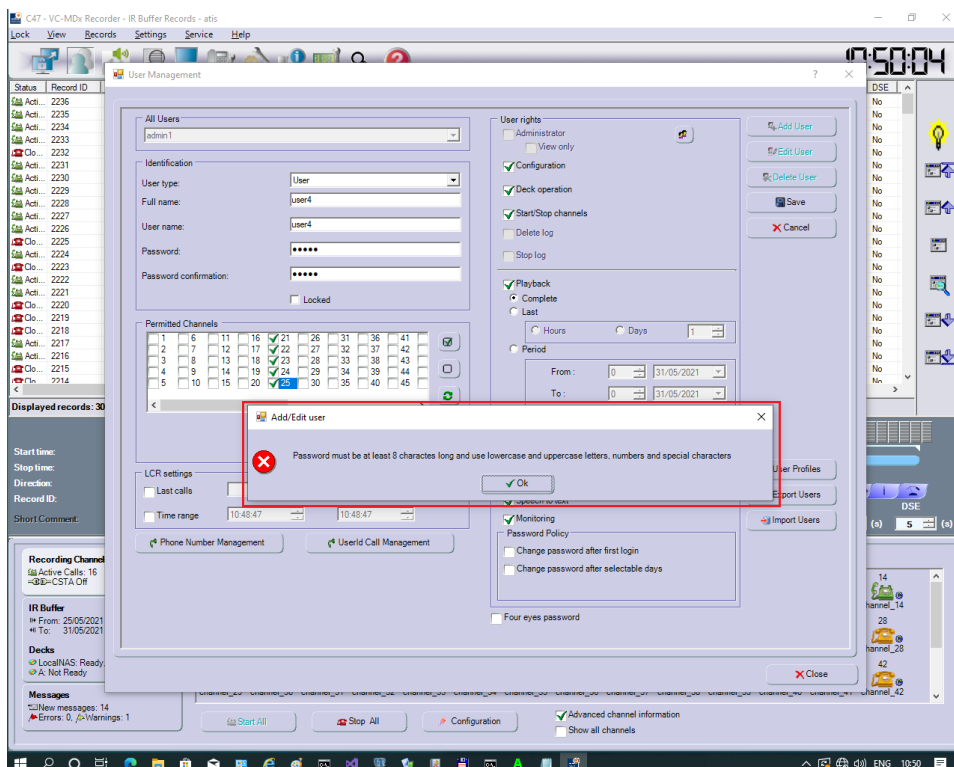
Buttons on the right side include: Add User, Edit User, Delete User, Save, Cancel, User Profiles, Export Users, Import Users, and Close.

4. Use of at least 8 characters with a combination of characters, special characters and numbers

⇒ *Open Options/ Select Global Options*



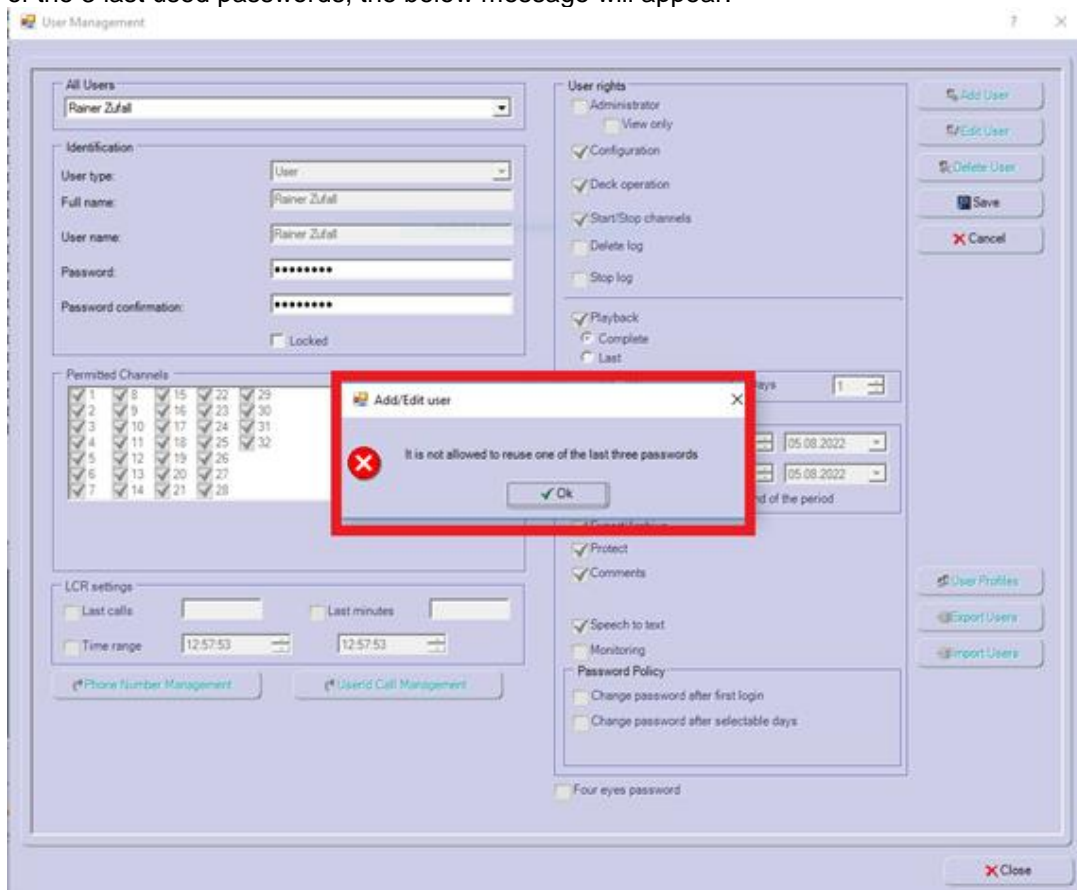
In case of “Use strong password” is checked and a password is set, which does not correspond to the strong password criteria, a warning message will be displayed :



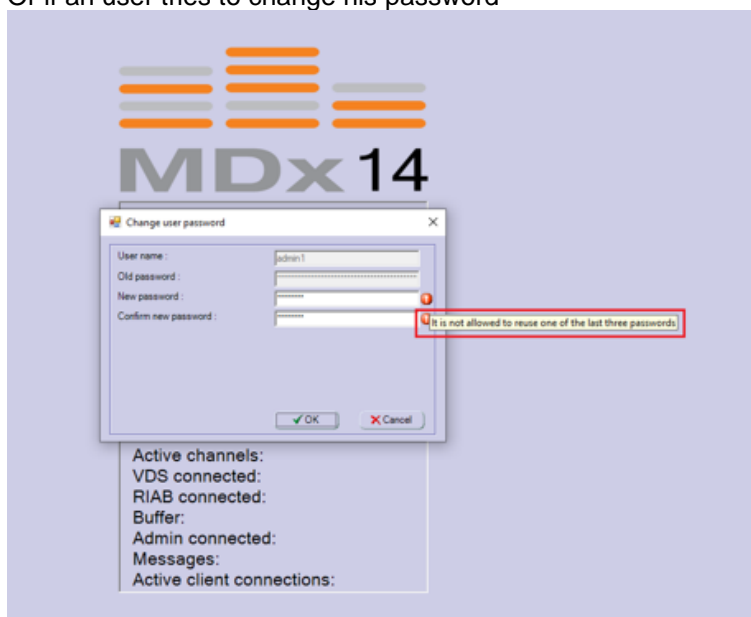
5. No reuse of passwords, at least for 3 previously used passwords

⇒ [Open Settings/ User Management](#)

It is impossible to reuse one of the 3 last used passwords. If the Administrator intends to reuse one of the 3 last used passwords, the below message will appear:

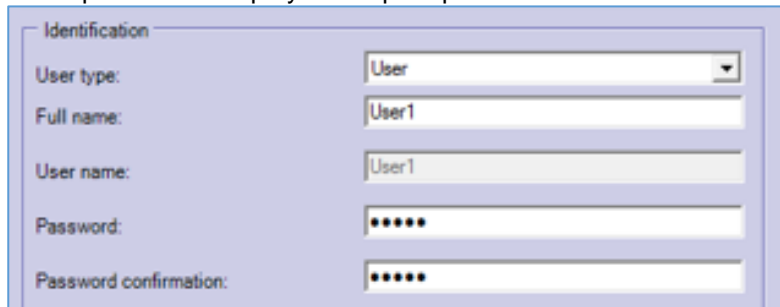


Or if an user tries to change his password



6. No ability to view or print passwords

It is impossible to display nor to print passwords

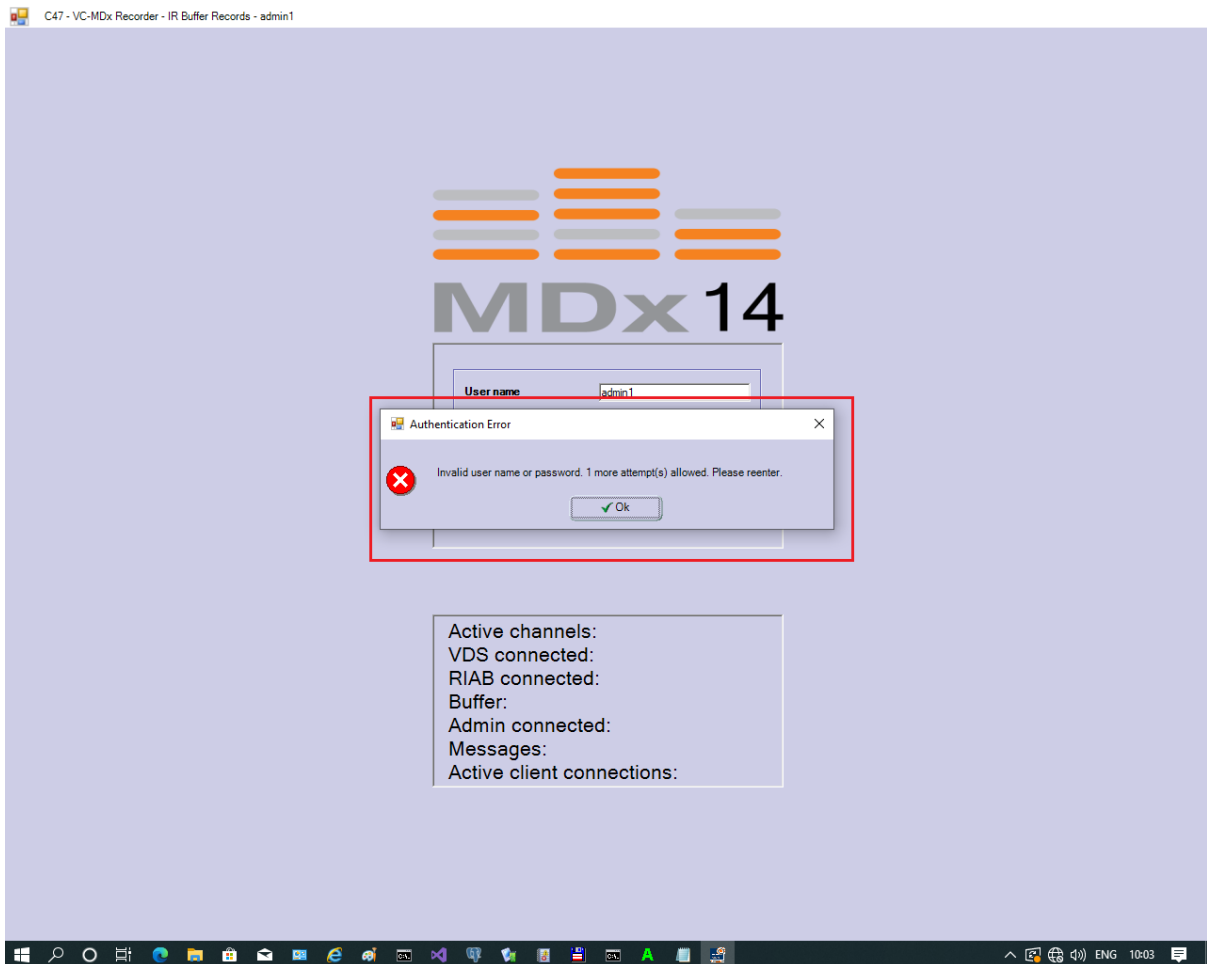


The screenshot shows a user configuration form with the following fields:

- Identification
- User type: User (dropdown menu)
- Full name: User1
- User name: User1
- Password: *****
- Password confirmation: *****

7. Account locked after incorrect password entry after a preset number of incorrect attempts

After a predefined number of failed login attempts (3 for User type, 2 for Administrator type, none for Super user type), the following message is displayed



8. Encrypted storage of passwords using SHA2 algorithm

In former versions the VC-MDx applications used Data Encryption Standard (DES) algorithm.

Since SW version 14.x.x.x. the VC-MDx applications is using the SHA256 hash algorithm to store the passwords of the users. For this reason, the values of the fields containing passwords of the "users" table of the "vcexdatabase" will be automatically converted from the DES encryption password value to the value obtained by SHA256 algorithm applied to the password.

The screenshot shows a configuration window for a user. At the top, there is a dropdown menu labeled "All Users" with "Super" selected. Below this is a section titled "Identification" containing several fields:

- User type:** A dropdown menu with "Super" selected.
- Full name:** A text input field containing "Atis user".
- User name:** A text input field containing "Super".
- Password:** A password input field with 20 dots.
- Password confirmation:** A password input field with 20 dots.

9. Automatic request to change the password after the first login ⇒ [Open Settings/ User Management](#)

Activate checkbox to enable this function

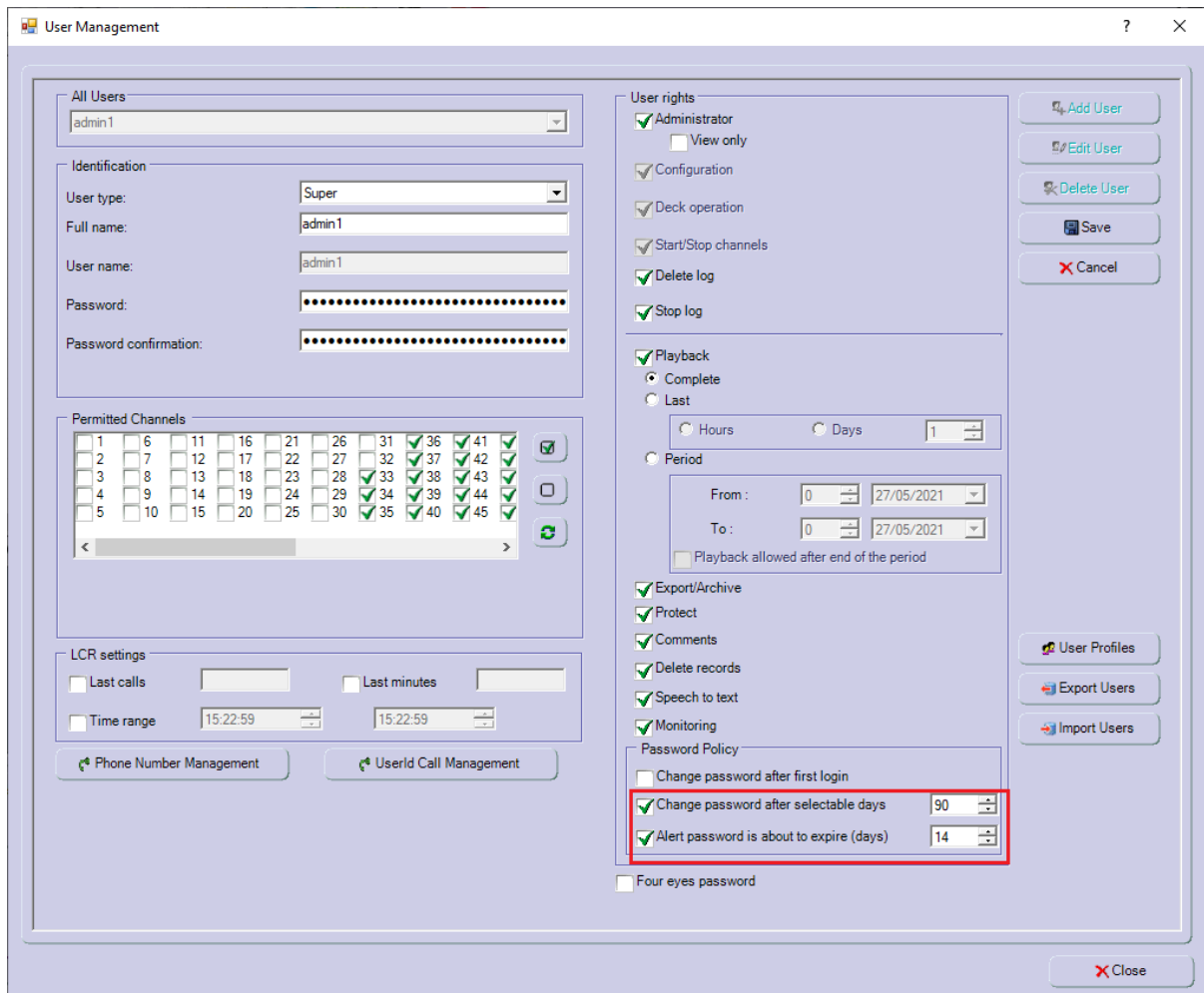
The screenshot shows the 'User Management' configuration window. The 'All Users' dropdown is set to 'User1'. The 'Identification' section includes fields for 'User type' (set to 'User'), 'Full name' (User1), 'User name' (User1), 'Password' (masked with dots), and 'Password confirmation' (masked with dots). There is a 'Locked' checkbox which is currently unchecked. The 'Permitted Channels' section displays a grid of 45 channels, all of which are checked. The 'LCR settings' section includes checkboxes for 'Last calls', 'Last minutes', and 'Time range' (set to 1:37:09). The 'User rights' section lists various permissions, with 'Playback' checked and 'Complete' selected. The 'Password Policy' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following options:

- Change password after first login
- Change password after selectable days

Other options in the 'Password Policy' section include 'Four eyes password' (unchecked). The window also features buttons for 'Add User', 'Edit User', 'Delete User', 'Save', 'Cancel', 'User Profiles', 'Export Users', and 'Import Users'.

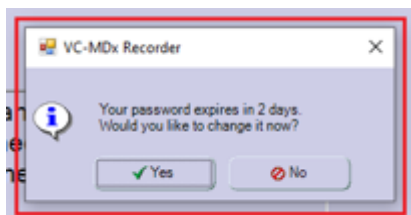
10. The password expires after an adjustable time (factory setting 90 days) and prompt to change the password with an adjustable interval (factory setting 14 days)

⇒ [Open Settings/ User Management](#)



The password expiration is selectable for time period (days).

If the function *“Strong password”* (see chapter) is enabled, an additional checkbox *“Alert password is about to expire”* will appear. If this *“Alert password is about to expire”* is checked, a warning message may appear:



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