

What makes a strong password?

Exceed minimum character limits.

Length is one of the strongest defenses for password security. This is why many sites have minimum character limits for their passwords.

Use special characters.

Get creative with special characters. Replacing common letters with symbols makes your password more difficult to guess.

Examples:

! @ # \$ ^ *

Make each password unique.

It is recommended that you create a different password for each of your online logins. If your password is compromised or shared, you have limited the extent of the breach to a single location.

Keep it easy to remember, but difficult to crack.

Use phrases and word combinations to add complexity to your password, while keeping it easy to remember. Do not use personal identification information, such as your birth date or maiden name when forming passwords.