

Lost "sa" SQL Server Database Password

This process should be followed if you have either lost/forgotten the database password or wish to change it.

Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio Express

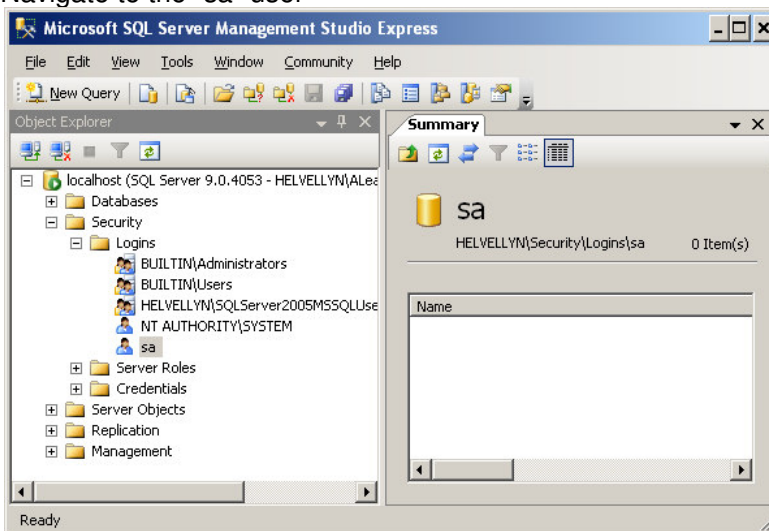
You will need to install Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio Express, it's free. It can be downloaded from <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/en/details.aspx?FamilyID=c243a5ae-4bd1-4e3d-94b8-5a0f62bf7796>

Once installed start the application (in Windows7 or Vista you must run the application as an administrator – Right click the application shortcut and then click on "Run as administrator")

Connect to server, use "Windows Authentication" rather than "SQL Server Authentication".



Navigate to the "sa" user



Right click for properties and then change the password and "OK".