Securing DirectAdmin — The Key Hardening Steps, Step by Step 2026

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In short To secure DirectAdmin: enable two-factor auth, use a strong password, enable the Brute Force Monitor, restrict access to port 2222, and keep DirectAdmin and the system updated.

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DirectAdmin manages your server, so its security is a priority. It provides built-in tools like the Brute Force Monitor and two-factor auth. In this guide from the Hyyat Host team we walk through the key hardening steps after installation.

Hyyat Host virtual servers come with a firewall and basic security settings, plus Arabic support to help you harden step by step.

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This guide follows on from the DirectAdmin install guide; apply these steps right after installation.

1) Enable two-factor authentication (2FA)

From your account settings enable **Two-Step Authentication** with an authenticator app, so even if the password leaks, no one gets in without your phone's code.

2) Use a strong password

Make the admin password long and unique, and change it immediately if default.

3) Enable the Brute Force Monitor (BFM)

From the admin level enable the **Brute Force Monitor (BFM)**, which watches failed login attempts and automatically blocks suspicious IPs.

4) Restrict access to the panel

Allow access to the panel port **2222** from your own IP only where possible, and use **Login Keys** instead of the password for automated tasks.

5) Keep DirectAdmin and the system updated

Update DirectAdmin from the admin panel, and update the system regularly with:

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apt update && apt upgrade -y
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Quick security checklist

- Two-factor authentication enabled ✔
- Strong, unique password ✔
- Brute Force Monitor enabled ✔
- Port 2222 restricted ✔
- DirectAdmin and system updated ✔

Next step

- Enable 2FA and BFM.
- Restrict port 2222 and use Login Keys.
- See the VPS control panel comparison to learn each panel's strengths.

And if you'd like us to secure your server and panel for you, open a support ticket — we reply within 24 hours at most.

Frequently asked questions

What is the most important step to secure DirectAdmin?

Enabling two-factor authentication and the Brute Force Monitor with a strong password.

What is the Brute Force Monitor?

A DirectAdmin tool that watches failed logins and automatically blocks suspicious IPs.

How do I restrict access to the panel?

Allow port 2222 from your IP, and use Login Keys for automated tasks.

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