8-Character Password Examples

A one-page reference from **dataoverhaulers.com/8-character-password-list/**. Companion to the full guide.

> **Reality check:** 8 characters is a bare minimum, not a real password. Modern guidance is length first: **15 characters or more**, ideally a passphrase. Use these examples to learn the pattern, then scale it up.

Strong examples (model, don't copy)

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C@t.LV3r
Fr13ND?y
E4M^ddMm
!L9trKuh
V7k!Qz2m
Hx3$pN9w
Z4q*Lm8t
Bq7!rW2x
M6z@Kp3v
R2v#Tn8q
```

> These are published, so thousands of people have seen them. Build your own variation: swap characters, change lengths, keep the pattern.

What makes them strong

- 8+ characters: upper and lower case, digits, symbols
- No dictionary words in any language, spelled or leetified
- No personal information: names, birthdays, pets, teams
- Unique per site, stored in a password manager

Memorable phrase technique

Take the first letters of a sentence you know, then swap in digits and symbols.

Password	Source phrase
`_2Bon2B!?_`	To be or not to be
`_!R0^A8gs_`	Rock of Ages
`_I2l!tpbb_`	I too like to play baseball
`_MsPi@24y_`	My sister Peg is 24 years old

Never use these

`password` · `12345678` · `iloveyou` · `sunshine` · `football` · `princess` · `trustno1` · `superman` · `1q2w3e4r`

Also avoid: single dictionary words (youmoron, whatever, changeme), personal info (august15, rosebud7, CHRISTINA), keyboard patterns (qwerty12), and any password reused across sites.