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Shared PCs on the Shop Floor

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Wireless authentication system allows organizations to enhance workflow and achieve higher levels of frictionless security without inconveniencing the users. Kiosk Mode lets different users to log in to a specific PC using a single, shared account. But unlike Windows logs, GateKeeper identifies each unique user, making accurate auditing possible.

How does GateKeeper Kiosk Mode work?

Kiosk mode allows admins to set fixed login credentials for any computer, regardless of the user. Using the Kiosk Mode for a computer will log on any GateKeeper user to the same Windows account. This is especially useful where the computer is shared, and everyone is accessing a specific set of applications that are running on that common Windows account. By setting up Kiosk mode for those PCs, GateKeeper also provides the admin with a report on who accessed a shared account, which is not possible to do with Windows logs.

Why would this feature be useful to me?

Let's say that there are workstations in the shop floor that are accessed by several people and that need to use the same Windows account. Usually, to accomplish this, the password to the shared account is kept very simple so that all can remember it (security risk: sharing passwords). Also, these shared PCs are left unlocked, violating compliance requirements.

■ **Benefit 1:** Since the account is common, Windows logs cannot distinguish between two users who used the shared account. However, since each user is uniquely identified by their GateKeeper token, the GateKeeper logs identifies individuals who accessed the shared account.

■**Benefit 2:** Set a complex password for shared account, then assign it directly to a PC. This way, the user does not need to know what the login password is, and they are still able to login even faster with their token.

■ **Benefit 3:** Certain compliance standards also require the administrators to know who accessed the shared accounts. GateKeeper automatically collects audits of individual users, regardless of Kiosk mode.