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|  | On Ubuntu 10.04.3 LTS, after installing Tomcat 6, the way to add a manager / admin account is to add a record like this to /etc/tomcat6/tomcat-users.xml:  <role rolename="manager"/>  <role rolename="admin"/>  <user username="user" password="password" roles="manager,admin"/>  That password is in plaintext, and I'm not comfortable with that. Is there a way to use something like a hash instead? If you have a non-Ubuntu solution, I can probably translate it.  [tomcat](http://serverfault.com/questions/tagged/tomcat) [tomcat6](http://serverfault.com/questions/tagged/tomcat6)   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  | |
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| ccepted | 1) add "digest" attribute on your <Realm> element in server.xml with value "md5". For now it's strongly algorithm for password encoding in tomcat  2) go to your CATALINA\_HOME and run  > java -cp lib/catalina.jar:bin/tomcat-juli.jar org.apache.catalina.realm.RealmBase -a md5 <YOUR\_PASSWORD>  You will get <YOUR\_PASSWORD>:<ENCRYPTED\_PASSWORD>  3) replace value of user's "password" attribute in your tomcat-users.xml to <ENCRYPTED\_PASSWORD>  4) restart tomcat |
|  | |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | +1, but eek at the MD5. Use "sha-1" or "sha-256", if it'll work. | |  | In Tomcat 7 there is now a digest.bat in the bin directory to do this. Example : digest.bat -a "md5" <YOUR\_PASSWORD> | |