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PRODUCT CHANGE NOTIFICATION

Unique Default Password for new Routers

Product Identification

all Advantech routers

Change Description

Detailed Description of the Change: To increase security in general and concerning the California [Senate Bill No. 327](#), all Advantech routers will be produced with a unique default password. This password will be printed out on the router's label as shown in the figure below. The format of the password is ***P<last 8 digits of the serial number>h***.

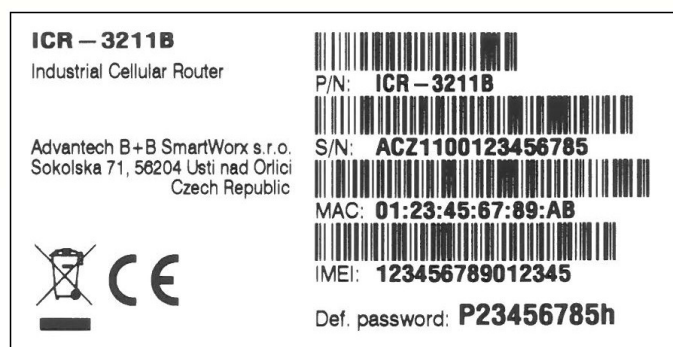


Figure 1: Router's Label with the Unique Default Password

Note #1: For a transition period, router packaging will include a letter explaining unique passwords.

Note #2: To maintain the security of your network, always change the default password of the router. Don't forget that changing some of the settings is not possible until the default password is changed.

Note #3: The password can be reset to the default unique one by performing a factory reset.

Anticipated impact on Fit, Form and Function: Since the effective date, each and every router will have different and unique password set right from the factory. This will impact systems counting on default 'root' password set in new router units.

¹Proposed date of the first production shipment. The manufacturing itself will start sooner.