

lighttpd

How to achieve "htaccess style" authentication with lighttpd (lighty)?

well that is also easy with Debian (Etch or Lenny):

- lighty-enable-mod auth
(non debian users might just add this to their lighty config:
server.modules += ("mod_auth")
)
- add this to your lighttpd configuration, somewhere inside of your "\$SERVER["socket"] == {" part
(update the paths according to your configuration!)

```
auth.backend = "htpasswd"  
auth.backend.htpasswd.userfile = "/etc/lighttpd/htpasswd"  
auth.require = ( "/" =>  
(  
  "method" => "basic",  
  "realm" => "auth login only",  
  "require" => "valid-user"  
)  
)
```

(in /etc/lighttpd/conf-enabled/05-auth.conf you could also see a few examples)

If you have more then one user in your htpasswd file and want grant access only for a specific user, change the "require" line like this:

```
"require" => "user=username"
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auth.require = ( "/" =>
```

this "/" is the relative path, might also be "/phpmyadmin" or "/secret"

- /etc/init.d/lighttpd force-reload

if you miss htpasswd cli tool, install apache2-utils via aptitude:

- aptitude install apache2-utils

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