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# How to use Alphanumeric IDs

## Concept and Precautions

In BioStar version 2.4 and above you can use alphanumeric user IDs.

This means you can have a user ID with alphabets and special characters of hyphen (-) and underscore (\_).

The length of the user ID can be up to 32 characters long.



The screenshot shows a user profile form. On the left is a placeholder for a user photo with a '+ Add Photo' button. To the right are several fields: 'Name' with a text input containing 'Alphanumeric ID'; 'ID' with a text input containing 'This\_is\_an\_User-ID123', which is highlighted with an orange border; 'Group' with a dropdown menu set to 'All Users'; 'Period' with date and time pickers showing '2001/01/01 00:00' to '2030/'; and 'Operator Level' with a dropdown menu set to 'None'.

[Alphanumeric ID input screen]

There are several precautions you should be aware of.

1. You cannot use BioLite Net, BioEntry Plus, BioEntry W.
2. All users saved in Xpass and Xpass S2 will be deleted and all settings except for the network settings will be set to default.
3. When you switch back from alphanumeric format to number IDs, you have to delete all users in the server before proceeding because they are not compatible.

## Configuring the server

You must update the firmware of the devices before proceeding. Below are the compatible devices and firmware list which is also shown in the administrator's manual.

- X-Station 2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- FaceStation F2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- CoreStation FW 1.0.0 or later
- FaceStation 2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- FaceLite FW 1.0.0 or later
- BioEntry W2 FW 1.1.0 or later
- BioStation L2 FW 1.2.0 or later
- BioStation A2 FW 1.3.0 or later
- BioStation 2 FW 1.4.0 or later
- BioLite N2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- BioEntry P2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- BioEntry R2 FW 1.0.0 or later

- XPass 2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- XPass D2 FW 1.0.0 or later
- Xpass FW 2.4.0 or later
- Xpass S2 FW 2.4.0 or later

1. Log in to BioStar 2.
2. Go to **Setting > Server** menu.
3. On the **User/Device Management** tab change the **User ID Type** to **Alphanumeric**.

**User/Device Management**

- Automatic User Synchronization
- Fingerprint Template Format
- Enrollment Device
- Custom User Field

All Devices

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User ID Type

Number

Number

Alphanumeric

+ Add

Device ID	Device Name	Device Group
Not found		

+ Add

Order	Name	Type	Data	
1	Custom ID	Text Input Box		

+ Add

4. Read the popup warning message carefully and click **Continue**.
5. Click **Apply**.

Now you can create alphanumeric users in the **USER** tab.

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