

Respondus LockDown Browser

What is Respondus LockDown Browser?

Respondus LockDown Browser is a custom browser that locks down the testing environment within Blackboard. When students use the LockDown Browser they are unable to print, copy, go to another URL, or access other applications. When an assessment is started, students are locked into it until they submit it for grading.

What does Respondus LockDown Browser do to a student's computer when taking an exam?

- Assessments are displayed full-screen and cannot be minimized.
- Screen capture, messaging, screen-sharing, virtual machine, and network monitoring applications are blocked from running.
- Right-click menu options and function keys are disabled.
- Browser menu and toolbar options are disabled, except for Back, Forward, Refresh and Stop.



- The browser automatically starts at the login page for Blackboard.
- External links in exam questions do not compromise the locked testing environment.
- Pages from the assessment are not stored on the computer after exiting.

What does Respondus LockDown Browser NOT do?

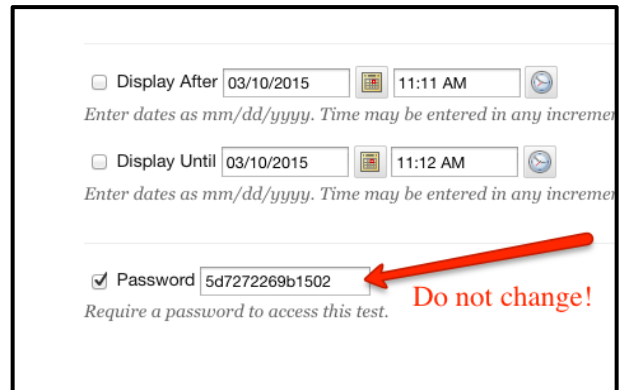
- Respondus LockDown Browser does NOT prevent cheating unless the student is in a proctored environment. Students can still use another computer or device, or course materials while taking the exam.

Blackboard Support Recommendations:

- Utilize Respondus LockDown Browser for testing students in a proctored setting such as a lab or a classroom.
- After enabling Respondus protections on a test, DO NOT MODIFY these Test Options settings:
 - ◆ Test Name
 - ◆ Open Test in New Window option
 - ◆ Require a password checkbox and password field (Respondus uses these options to protect your test).

If these settings are modified, the test's protections will break and an "Error" message will appear in your Respondus Lockdown Browser Dashboard.

- Prior to the first test, have students complete a practice test that uses Respondus Lockdown Browser to make sure they have installed it correctly.

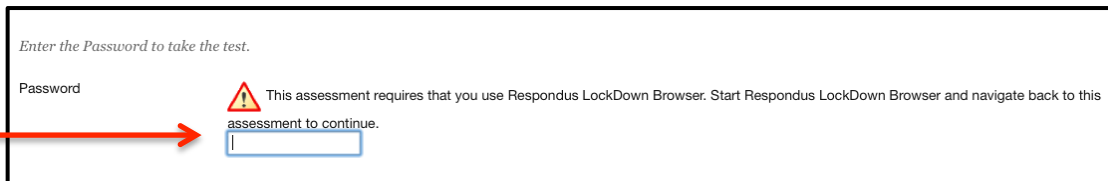


Display After 03/10/2015 11:11 AM
Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.

Display Until 03/10/2015 11:12 AM
Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.


Password 5d7272269b1502
Require a password to access this test.

Do not change!



Enter the Password to take the test.


Password

 This assessment requires that you use Respondus LockDown Browser. Start Respondus LockDown Browser and navigate back to this assessment to continue.

Note: If students indicate that they are unable to access a test because they are being prompted for a password (or that the password provided to them doesn't work), it usually indicates that they are trying to access the test with a standard browser instead of Respondus Lockdown Browser.

Setting up an exam with Respondus LockDown Browser

Make sure that the test has been deployed in the Blackboard course's Content Area.

- Under Control Panel click **Course Tools** than click **Respondus LockDown Browser**.
- In the *Respondus LockDown Browser Dashboard*, a list of deployed tests will be displayed.
- To change the settings for a test, click the  menu to the left of the test title and select **Modify Settings**.
- For *LockDown Browser Settings*, select **Require Respondus LockDown Browser for this exam**.
- Click **Save and Close**.

LockDown Browser Settings

- Don't require Respondus LockDown Browser for this exam
- Require Respondus LockDown Browser for this exam

Course Tools

- Announcements
- Blackboard Collaborate
- Contacts
- Course Calendar
- Create Article Link
- Discussion Board
- Glossary
- Journals
- McGraw-Hill Higher Education
- Pearson's MyLab & Mastering
- Respondus LockDown Browser
- Rubrics
- SafeAssign

The words "Requires Respondus LockDown Browser" will be appended to the exam title in the content area.

