

# Workbook.Protect(String)

## Description

Protects the workbook structure using the supplied password. End users will not be able to add or remove worksheets unless they enter the password.

**C#**

```
public void Protect(System.String password)
```

**vb.net**

```
Public Sub Protect(ByVal password As String)
```

## Parameters

### *password*

The password to use to protect the workbook. If the password = "" or null, then the workbook will be protected without a password.

## Remarks

The equivalent to this action in Excel is to select "Protect structure and windows" from the review menu.

Further protection can be extended to cells by using the [Worksheet.Protect\(\)](#) method to protect individual worksheets and by using the [Workbook.EncryptPassword](#) property to set a password that must be provided to open the workbook.

## Examples

**C#**

```
wb.Protect( "MyPassword" );
```

**vb.net**

```
wb.Protect( "MyPassword" )
```