

## Re: is IIS 5.0 safe?

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On Wed, 31 Mar 2004 23:55:57 -0800, "David Wang [Msft]"  
<[someone@online.microsoft.com](mailto:someone@online.microsoft.com)> wrote:

>Several options.

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>IIS 5.1 comes with XP Pro and only supports one website and 10 connections.

>1. It is possible to set up IP Restriction on the website such that it will

>only process localhost/127.0.0.1 requests (I don't remember if this feature

>is enabled in the UI or not).

>2. You can also setup the Microsoft Loopback Adapter and configure the

>website to only listen on that network interface, so it then becomes

>impossible for IIS to even respond to non local requests while your own PC

>is perfectly able to access IIS.

>3. Run the software firewall and make sure that port 80 is not open.

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>Finally, realize that when you run server software, you become responsible

>for configuring/securing it. Security is best achieved through knowledge

>and configuration.

David,

You can't set IP restrictions on the 'desktop' versions of IIS.

Items in the ISM Are Missing or Appear Dimmed on Windows

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=263857>

Regards,

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