

Re: Windows Xp Firewall

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I have a XP Pro with SP2 Install now but there another problem of Norton Anti-virus 2005 software is messing up the XP SP2 but if I install the upgrade the Norton Anti-Virus personal firewall software that I don't know weather if this will mess up the XP SP2 firewall system block up the net both way, has any of you install the Norton Anti-virus personal firewall 2004 with XP Pro SP2, was it work ok or not, please help me I need to know this later if this ok to install the Norton Anti-virus personal firewall 2004 software to my xp sp2 pc. Thank guys.

"Bruce Chambers" wrote:

> *Peach wrote:*

> > *I have read on several occasions that the Windows XP firewall is not*

> > *very good, is this true?*

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> *The "next generation" Windows Firewall included with SP2, while*

> *vastly superior to the original ICF in terms of visibility, usability*

> *and configurability, is still rather lacking, as a solid security*

> *component. It still can't supplant 3rd-party solutions, nor is it*

> *intended to do so; rather, it's intended to complement them.*

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> *WinXP's built-in firewall is adequate at stopping incoming attacks,*

> *and hiding your ports from probes. What WinXP SP2's firewall does not*

> *do, is protect you from any Trojans or spyware that you (or someone*

> *else using your computer) might download and install inadvertently.*

> *It doesn't monitor out-going traffic at all, other than to check for*

> *IP-spoofing, much less block (or at even ask you about) the bad or the*

> *questionable out-going signals. It assumes that any application you*

> *have on your hard drive is there because you want it there, and*

> *therefore has your "permission" to access the Internet. Further,*

> *because the Windows Firewall is a "stateful" firewall, it will also*

> *assume that any incoming traffic that's a direct response to a*

> *Trojan's or spyware's out-going signal is also authorized.*

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> *ZoneAlarm, Kerio, or Sygate are all much better than WinXP's*

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- > *built-in firewall, and are much more easily configured, and there are*
- > *free versions of each readily available. Even the commercially*
- > *available Symantec's Norton Personal Firewall is superior by far,*
- > *although it does take a heavier toll of system performance than do*
- > *ZoneAlarm or Sygate.*
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- > *It's most important virtues, I think, are it's improved*
- > *compatibility with internal LANs and its configurability via group*
- > *policies. Now, there's a simple, cheap tool that system admins can*
- > *use to protect the LAN workstations from that occasional – but not*
- > *rare enough – fool who manages to bypass the perimeter firewall and*
- > *manually install some malware that could then spread throughout the*
- > *LAN via shared drives.*
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- > *Bruce Chambers*
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- > *Help us help you:*
- > *<http://dts-l.org/goodpost.htm>*
- > *<http://www.catb.org/~esr/faqs/smart-questions.html>*
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- > *You can have peace. Or you can have freedom. Don't ever count on*
- > *having*
- > *both at once. – RAH*
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