

Re: Post SP2 Problem fixes

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Hi *TDP* :

> *This may help people that have problems with the cursed SP2.*

When you have a Windows Xp without problems before the installation of the sp2 most of the time you have no problem with this service pack

The fact is that a majority of windows xp users had installed the sp2 with non problem...and no more problem after the installation.

> *1.. Disabling the Security Center The Security Center is a new addition to XP. It constantly monitors your machine to make sure you have an up to date firewall and antivirus product installed. However, it's extremely annoying to people who know what they are doing. You can disable it simply: Hit Start - Run - Type "services.msc" and hit Enter. Scroll down to the Security Center service, left click it to select it, then right click it and choose Properties. Set the Startup type box to disabled and hit Apply then OK. This takes effect from the next reboot.*

That's a good idea... (but only for an advanced user like you Sir.)

> *2.. Turning off Automatic Updates, System Restore & the Windows Firewall*

Yes for the automatic updates and Windows FW (IF you have a third party FW only)

No : disabling system restore can put you in a big trouble.
Sometimes a system restore is the only way to get out of a nightmare...

How can you justify this ? Performances ? Disk Space ?

> *OK.System Restore is also turned back on in some cases. While this is useful, it uses disc space and if you are a confident user of Windows, you might want to disable it: Right click My Computer and select Properties. Click the System Restore tab, check the box that says "Turn off System Restore on all drives", hit Apply then OK.*

Then OK ... for the trouble...

There is a lot of way to increase the performances
but stopping your "life insurance" is not a part of
the good performances tweaks...

> *The Windows Firewall is poor.*

Not really true with the new W xp sp2 FW.
Combined with System Safety Monitor and FireLogXP v1.3
you have a very acceptable FW (Free).

But it's also true that a good third party FW is a better solution
if you know the software and it's correctly configured.

Thank you for your post.
Remember that W xp must be a system for everybody
not only "geek" ;-)

Have a nice day TDP :-)

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