

Re: Windows Media Player BLINDSIDE update!

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Thanks Bill! I agree 100%! You are RIGHT ON THE MONEY!

DWK:o)

"Bill Drake" <bdrake@xxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
[news:O\\$xfVq7mHHA.4424@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:O$xfVq7mHHA.4424@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

I was bitten by exactly the same situation as you describe.

And I too was annoyed that Microsoft would label an "update" for WMP10 that was actually an "upgrade" to WMP11.

This is one of the reasons I don't perform **any** upgrades to my machine without having a complete Ghost Backup before starting the upgrade.

I had to reghost my machine back to its older form once I found out this "update" gave me something I didn't want, didn't need and had already rejected as inappropriate for my needs.

Comment:

In my experience, Computers are designed by cretins and built by monkeys. Mismanagement and incompetence are endemic to the computer industry – and nobody inside the industry is taking responsibility for the endless suffering they are causing the user base.

Furthermore, to waste your time trying to get apologists and rationalizers to publicly acknowledge their mistakes – and more importantly to implement policy changes which make those mistakes less likely in the future – seems to be impossible.

This industry is insane. They are not worthy of your trust. Protect yourself by implementing a stable and reliable backup regimen and assume that every update you install is suspect until proven otherwise.

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All else is simply a license to get shafted.

Best I can do for now. <tm>

Bill

D. W. K. wrote:

It was not my "imagination"! They said (again) it was a "version 10" update! Is this fact getting lost somewhere here?

"Doug" <hillbillybuddhist@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote..

Uhm... If you just changed
the way you get updates to
'download and
notify' – you could choose
what to install and read
about each one
– research a little (you know
– put a little effort into it)
and
never install anything you
do not want to...

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Shenan Stanley
MS–MVP

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Smart Way

<http://www.catb.org/~esr/faqs/smart-questions.html>

"D. W. K." <[removethis]dwkcpbd@xxxxxxxx> wrote in
message

<news:uMJEaAqmHHA.208@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Thank you Shenan but... that IS exactly how
my system IS set up
right now! That is exactly how every other
update I get
notifications about is treated. The problem is

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with THIS particular
Microsoft update! THEY have chosen, for
some reason, to send it out
without ANY option to read anything about
it first. Also, why do
they dishonestly disguise it as a "version 10"
update? DWK

"Shenan Stanley"

<newshelper@xxxxxxxx> wrote in
message

news:OOD6C2pmHHA.4032@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

So, if I understand correctly *you* accepted an update to
your
computer that *you* did not get "ANY option to read
anything about"
and now you're mad because it wasn't what *you* imagined
it might
be? I can understand your
consternation, obviously this is someone else's fault.

In any event restoring from your most recent disk image or
backup
should put
the situation right.

—
Doug

I'm not an MVP a VIP nor do I have ESP.
I was just trying to help.
Please use your own best judgment before implementing any
suggestions or advice herein.
No warranty is expressed or implied.
Your mileage may vary.
See store for details. :)

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