

Re: Norton Firewall On Still Get Popups

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Hey Scumbag,

Are you suggesting that SP2 is a load of crap and not likely to stop pop-ups? Why would anyone need third party software when they already have the wonder drug called Windows XP SP2? Are you marketing your website? Are you so fat arse-hole that nobody wants to hire you?

David

Bruce Chambers wrote:

> *Greetings --*
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> *There are at least three varieties of pop-ups, and the solutions*
> *vary accordingly. Which specific type(s) is troubling you?*
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> *1) Does the title bar of these pop-ups read "Messenger Service?"*
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> *This type of spam has become quite common over the couple of*
> *years, and unintentionally serves as a valid security "alert." It*
> *demonstrates that you haven't been taking sufficient precautions while*
> *connected to the Internet. Your data probably hasn't been compromised*
> *by these specific advertisements, but if you're open to this exploit,*
> *you may well be open to other threats, such as the Blaster Worm that*
> *swept across the Internet last year and the currently active Sasser*
> *Worm. Install and use a decent, properly configured firewall.*
> *(Merely disabling the messenger service, as some people recommend,*
> *only hides the symptom, and does little or nothing to truly secure*
> *your machine.) And ignoring or just "putting up with" the security*
> *gap represented by these messages is particularly foolish.*
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> *Messenger Service of Windows*
> <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=KB;en-us;168893>
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> *Messenger Service Window That Contains an Internet Advertisement*
> *Appears*
> <http://support.microsoft.com/?id=330904>
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- > *Stopping Advertisements with Messenger Service Titles*
- > <http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/pro/using/howto/communicate/stopspam.asp>
- >
- > *Blocking Ads, Parasites, and Hijackers with a Hosts File*
- > <http://www.mvps.org/winhelp2002/hosts.htm>
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- > *Oh, and be especially wary of people who advise you to do nothing*
- > *more than disable the messenger service. Disabling the messenger*
- > *service, by itself, is a "head in the sand" approach to computer*
- > *security. The real problem is _not_ the messenger service pop-ups;*
- > *they're actually providing a useful, if annoying, service by acting as*
- > *a security alert. The true problem is the unsecured computer, and*
- > *you've been advised to merely turn off the warnings. How is this*
- > *helpful?*
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- > *2) For regular Internet pop-ups, you might try the free 12Ghosts*
- > *Popup-killer from <http://12ghosts.com/ghosts/popup.htm>, Pop-Up Stopper*
- > *from <http://www.panicware.com/>, or the Google Toolbar from*
- > *<http://toolbar.google.com/>. Alternatively, you can upgrade your WinXP*
- > *to SP2, to install IE's pop-up blocker.*
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- > *3) To deal with pop-ups caused by any sort of "adware" and/or*
- > *"spyware," such as Gator, Comet Cursors, Xupiter, Bonzai Buddy, or*
- > *KaZaA, and their remnants, that you've deliberately (but without*
- > *understanding the consequences) installed, two products that are*
- > *quite effective (at finding and removing this type of scumware) are*
- > *Ad-Aware from www.lavasoft.de and SpyBot Search & Destroy from*
- > *www.safer-networking.org/. Both have free versions. It's even*
- > *possible to use SpyBot Search & Destroy to "immunize" your system*
- > *against most future intrusions. I use both and generally perform*
- > *manual scans every week or so to clean out cookies, etc.*
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- > *Additionally, manual removal instructions for the most common*
- > *varieties of scumware are available here:*
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- > *PC Hell Spyware and Adware Removal Help*
- > <http://www.pchell.com/support/spyware.shtml>
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- > *More information and assistance is available at these sites:*
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- > *Blocking Ads, Parasites, and Hijackers with a Hosts File*
- > <http://www.mvps.org/winhelp2002/hosts.htm>
- >
- > *The Parasite Fight*
- > <http://www.aumha.org/a/parasite.htm>
- >
- > *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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> *"leadpipe" <goodyrl@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:OhfrFZTkeHA.2436@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl...
> >I have the eliminate popup feature enabled with my Norton Firewall
> >but still
> > get them all the time when I'm using Microsoft Explorer :(Any
> > suggestions
> > on how to stop the popups? THANKS*
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I use non Microsoft products wherever possible which requires no activation.
I use Netscape 7.2 as my default browser which has everything I need for my work.
I believe in good Financial Management!! I do not believe in enriching rich jerks!