

Re: I cant get rid of spyware on task bar

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thanks but I did delete Xoftspy and I deleted all versions of java cept for version 5... I loaded ad aware and it found many things and took care of them.... the handicapped icon is gone but the yellow one is still blinking and I still have pop ups. I rebooted and everything... cleaned out my cache.. etc.... I'm sorry but the other things you mentioned are too complicated for me to follow... but thanks for trying... (what is safe mode)?

"David H. Lipman" wrote:

From: "Vangie81" <Vangie81@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

| I have downloaded the new Norton 2006 and I have downloaded XoftSpy a
| cleaning program that rids you computer of adware and spyware... however...
| the problem still exists. I have a green handicapped symbol in my taskbar
| that blinks to a red circle cross out symbol. Also yellow triangular symbols
| blink with exclamation mark in the middle. A small red outlined screen pops
| up telling me my pc is infected and I should get their software... also ads
| pop up at random from everything to Casono ads to dating site ads. NOTHING I
| have tried gets rid of these annoying pests off my taskbar. What in the
| world do I do know??? I thought that the new Norton or the XoftSpy ware would
| correct the problem. Please help me if you can... thanks so much

XoftSpy was listed as a Rogue anti spayware application on Spyware Warrior.
http://www.spywarewarrior.com/rogue_anti-spyware.htm

Spyware Warrior has revoked that status but based upon the posts I have seen, I think theat reversal was to hasty and I can NOT suggest the use of XoftSpy and suggest its removal !

If you are using any version of Sun Java that is prior to JRE Version 5.0,
then you are strongly urged to remove any/all versions that are prior to JRE
Version 5.0. There are vulnerabilities in them and they are actively being exploited.
It is possible that is how you got infected with malware.

Therefore, it is highly suggested that if there are any prior versions of Sun Java
to Version 5 on the PC that they be removed and Sun Java JRE Version 5.0 Update 6

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be installed ASAP.

Simple check, look under...

C:\Program Files\Java