

Re: registry error

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Bruce Chambers wrote:

mike vinn wrote:

I have come to find lately when i install xp onto a formatted drive that after the installation completes and i log onto the net a WINDOW will open telling me that i have 55 errors in my registry and telles me a site to goto to download a program to fix this. I never went to the site to buy this registry checker. This has happened every time i have reloaded xp onto my hard drive and also has happend on at least 3 other formatted harddrives. But after i install SP2 then i never see the error in the registry again. Has anyone else come across this yet or is it just me.

It's a scam, plain and simple. It's from a very unscrupulous "business." They're trying to sell you patches that Microsoft provides free-of-charge, and using a very intrusive means of advertising. It's also demonstrating that your PC is very unsecure. This type of spam has become quite common over the past few years, and unintentionally serves as a valid security "alert." It demonstrates that you haven't been taking

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Hi Bruce,

Interesting resonse to an interesting scenario I wasn't aware of! THAT's what I'd call rude & crude with a splash of lunacy added to pull that sort of thing on an unsuspecting customer. You reall do get what you pay for, sometimes.

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That was also a very informative albeit necessarily long post; you're to be applauded for your collection of information; good going! I hope people read it, save it, and take it to heart. You've hit the nail right on the head: Education is the key, and no one in a highly visible position is taking any efforts at all to spread that information. It's a great industry but it's pathetic all at the same time. Keep up the good work!

Luck,

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