

Re: SP2 and Active-X – Security Bar ignores settings

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Dear Free Spirit,

Remember that day you found out about mmc, gpedit and all the fancy ways to easily tweak your system for every imaginable setting / permission for system-wide changes that effect all users? Remember how it also is the overriding force which will be the ruler of your machines domain no matter how you try and try to change settings from any other account, tweak, uninstall / install; well maybe you don't remember the second part, but it is true. So, what this means is you need to alter the settings in mmc specifically with gpedit which even more troublesome has possibly been uninstalled or no longer easily opened since it no longer exists, except of course in settings that were made that are permanent until changed by way of mmc using gpedit (in author mode), and then saved in the "Console Root". This is, by the way if you are running XP Pro which I mistakenly assumed after reading your frustration level and remembering a similar experience (like a David Letterman flashback) as if it was just yesterday....yes, clicking in that &*\$ information bar, (for more information) and having nothing happen... I remember that!

Now, if in fact it is XP Pro on your machine, you could get lucky and try RUN> mmc, and hopefully you will launch right into it. But, if, like I, found it not as fun as it sounded and then tweaked around some more causing it to not appear, (mmc I'm talking about), you will then need to install the capability to run mmc, in the author mode, in order to change settings in the IE security section of the "Console Root", then close said "Console Root" for settings to take place. I'm thinking it may not even need a reboot for changes to become effective, not sure.

To open a saved MMC console for a local computer

If you are using Windows XP Professional or Windows XP Home Edition,
Click Start,
Click Control Panel,
Click Administrative Tools,
Click console.

Notes

Other options for opening consoles:

You can also open console files by using Run As. With this command, you can log on to your computer with user rights to perform routine tasks, but open console files to perform administrative tasks with Administrator rights as

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necessary. You can use this command by typing runas at the command prompt or by right-clicking an .msc file, and then clicking Run As.

Open the folder where your console is located, and then click the console.

If you are using Windows 2000, click here for instructions:

Click Start,

Click Settings,

Click Control Panel,

Click Administrative Tools,

Click console.

By default, console files are not available from the Administrative Tools folder on the Programs menu. However, if you create a custom console and save it to the per-user Administrative Tools folder (located at systemdrive\Documents and Settings\user\Start Menu\Programs\Administrative Tools), this folder appears on the Programs menu for that user.

Related Topics

Since there are so many possibilities as to just what permissions are set on your machine at this time, it is not easily explained for all possible situations. Remember this though: Don't Worry!, it can and will be OK!!

Besides, those all-so-sought-after HP updates probably aren't as important as they may have you believe, you're still able to come here for help, right?

Main point is to look in HELP for GROUP POLICY settings which is what needs adjustment. Other key words / phrases include mmc, mcs., Microsoft Management, Group Policy, Author Mode.... I'm confident you will succeed.

Have a Great Day!!

"~ FreeSpirit ~" wrote:

- > Let me add that even though I have security set to ALLOW Active-X downloads
- > (in Tools/Options/Security) the security bar still opens and says "click
- > here for more information." However when it's clicked on NOTHING HAPPENS!
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- > PLEASE = how can I either get rid of or disable this security bar short of
- > uninstalling SP2 again?
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- > FS~
- > =====
- > My PC with SP2 refuses to allow the HP site to download and install an
- > active-ex script to check and see if I need updated software. HOW THE
- > \$&*&^%\$ bloody hell do I shut that damn thing off? I need this done. Do I
- > have to uninstall SP2 yet again to allow the HP site to install the script?
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- > How do I get rid of these Sp2 pain in the ass security problems?
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- > My PC is a HP w/W-XP Home/SP2 .
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- > I'm the Owner Administrator of the PC and the only user.
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- > TIA
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- > FS~
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> FS~
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> "~ FreeSpirit ~" <spammenot@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
> [news:OKsrW\\$EqFHA.3672@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:OKsrW$EqFHA.3672@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
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>> "Ronnie Vernon MVP" <ronv@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
>> news:airmZACqFHA.4088@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
>> ~ FreeSpirit ~ wrote:
>> <snip>
>>> I didn't receive an error. A window along the top of I.E. came up and
>>> said to CLICK there if I wanted to install the Active-X from HP.
>>> Clicking *there* did not work. The website you sent me to doesn't
>>> address that issue. I want to get rid of this non-functioning
>>> problematic SP2 warning window – please tell me how.
>>>
>>> FS~
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>> In Internet Explorer, select Tools/Internet Options/Security tab/Custom
>> Level button. All of the ActiveX handling options are at the beginning of
>> that list.
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>> ## I've already set them to ALLOW this Active-X download but SP2 security
>> still stops it from downloading. I also added HP as a SAFE SITE and that
>> didn't allow the download either.
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>> You can also add the web address of that HP website to the Truted Sites
>> list. In Internet Options/Security, select the Trusted sites icon/Sites
>> button. Add the web address and click the Add button.
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>> ## Yep, I did that already (see above). What else can I try to disable
>> SP2s security from stopping this HP Active-X download?
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>> FS~
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>> Ronnie Vernon
>> Microsoft MVP
>> Windows Shell/User
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>> <http://mvp.support.microsoft.com/>
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