

## Re: Rogue third party emailers

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It's now too late but others may benefit from this. NEVER put your real email address in the account information or message when logging onto or sending messages to a newsgroup. There are plenty of people who have programs that scan these and other ngs to extract email addresses of senders.

I mistakenly used a computer, that I normally used only to do emails and never to go to the message boards (ngs), to send a message to a microsoft ng ONE TIME ONLY and within 2 days I got over 150 spam messages. Had to dump the email address after that and that is a pain.

"Rick" <malanchu@concentric.net> wrote in message  
news:3a4401c3fe24\$10998480\$a401280a@phx.gbl...

- > *I believe that an unauthorized third party spammer has or*
- > *spammers have enabled themselves to send their spam*
- > *emails to others using my email address as the sender.*
- > *The reasons I beleive this are:*
- > *1. I occasionally receive email from my own email*
- > *address, eve though I did not send it. When I opened one*
- > *(the first time or two – I just delete them now) I*
- > *realized that another sender was somehow routing the spam*
- > *through my computer to other people, and the "from" line*
- > *on their computers would show my email address.*
- > *2. While on line I occasionally experience my Norton*
- > *anti-virus screen popping up and indicating that it is*
- > *checking my outgoing email for viruses, when I hadn;t*
- > *sent any email out for hours.*
- > *3. I occasionally get a message that my email didn't go*
- > *through, when I hadn't sent an email for hours. On*
- > *checking I determine that the invalid adress was not one*
- > *that I had sent to. Moreover, clickable attachments*
- > *sometimes appear, although I know better than to open any*
- > *of them.*
- > *4. Any suggestions out there on how I can expunge these*
- > *rogue spammers from setting up shop on my hard drive?*
- > *Thank you.*
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