

Re: Annoying Virus Notification Window

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Lanwench [MVP – Exchange] wrote:

> *Who/what is the message windows from?*

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> *Do you have good antivirus software installed, updated it, and have*

> *you run a full scan?*

Sometimes that advice is not enough. Many of the current worms disable any antivirus software they find, so you're lulled into a false sense of confidence.

The best strategy is to download a standalone disinfectant like McAfee's Stinger (<http://vil.nai.com/vil/stinger>), disconnect from the internet, log in as a user with admin rights and then run stinger.exe to scan for and clean out the common viruses. After a reboot go to your AV vendor's site and get the very latest updates and then do a full scan.

Some viruses leave PCs in such a state that the only safe action is a complete rebuild after a box has been infected.

Cheers,

Phil