

# Re: W2K Windows Update no longers works – 0x800A0046

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Thank you, TauArian [MVP]. However, I have already gone through all of this from the Microsoft site. I am the Administrator of my system and also have a seperate account profile set up for myself as a member of all the groups. I am the only one who has access to my computer. Windows Update site still shows that I am set up for atuomatic update notices and that I wish only to be notified that they are ready for download. The only difference since the last Critical update notice is that I went through the Microsoft Verification of Genuine Products on my last Windows update and that was the last time my update function worked properly.

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"TaurArian [MVP]" wrote:

- > Error 0x800A0046
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- > <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=883821>
- > You may receive an error message when you search for available updates on the Windows Update Web site
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- > <http://www.updatexp.com/0x800a0046.html>
- > What causes Error 0x800a0046
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- > When searching for available updates on the Windows Update site, you receive the 0x800A0046 error.
- > This error can occur if the user logon account is part of the Guests account or a limited-user account, if the security descriptor does not allow have the Authenticated Users to run Windows Update, or if the Impersonate a client after authentication policy is missing Service and Administrators from the Users and Groups list.
- > <http://v5.windowsupdate.microsoft.com/v5consumer/showarticle.aspx?articleid=20&ln=en>
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- > <http://update.microsoft.com/windowsupdate/v6/showarticle.aspx?articleid=20&ln=en&IsMu=False>
- > When searching for available updates on the Update site, you receive the 0x800A0046 error.
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- > "Dave" <[KingOfTheBeach@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:KingOfTheBeach@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message

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> [news:%23HkX47DIFHA.1948@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:%23HkX47DIFHA.1948@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>> I'm not sure when my windows update started failing, but I think it was when  
>> the window updated client on my Windows 2000 box was updated to a newer  
>> version. After it was updated, not only does the windows update client on  
>> my PC not work, but when I go to the windows update web site for updates I  
>> press custom on the updates page and I get error 0x800A0046. So I now can  
>> not update my machine at all.  
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>> Has anyone else experienced anything like this ?  
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• **References:**

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◇ From: TaurArian [MVP]

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