

Re: XP SP3 frustration

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Like others I'm having trouble installing SP 3 in my XP Pro installation. The first time it gave the "Access Denied" error, so I got onto this site, disabled my virus protection and firewall and tried again. Same error, so I used Smart Close to shut everything down and tried again – same error.

I don't see the point in closing down all open programs and re-booting. Lots of stuff opens automatically on re-boot so they're all back. Any way I did that, turned off the antivirus etc and this time it got about half way through and just froze. I left it for over an hour and it didn't move, so I cancelled it. Goodness only knows what has or hasn't been done to my OS.

When I ran Update again all it found was a 612mb upgrade to Office 2007 which I only purchased 2 weeks ago.

If Microsoft was a horse you'd have it put down.

How can I install SP3?

just curious but why are you trying? assuming your SP2 system is stable and you have everything you want updated, why try to fix something that isn't broken when it is so obvious that Murphy has come to call on you? as to closing apps and restarting, that's just the way some updates want to work or must work. personally, I've never shut down my AV because just in case the updates themselves are infected somehow, I'd be vulnerable.

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HP, aka Jerry

"You've obviously mistaken me for someone who gives a shit!"

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