

My First XP SP2 Upgrade Issue

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To All XP SP2 Upgraders:

I don't know if it has been reported before or not, but after installing a clean Windows XP SP1 OS, I immediately ran the SP2 updater on it. After the update I noticed the PC became VERY SLUGGISH especially with the usage of IE.

It was acting as if the DNS couldn't resolve the IPs of the web addresses. The downloads, once established were fine however. The issue was to get them started!!! I would hit the same address and 8 out of 10 times it wouldn't catch on...

Anyways, after much browsing, reading people's recent issues with XP SP2, I saw someone mentioning an article for IPSec properties. That gave me a little bit hope and following from that I located my problem: KB# 811259: Winsock2 Corruption

I found out that systems with 2 or more network connections, when upgraded to XP SP2 could get their Winsock and Winsock2 protocols corrupted. Best way to determine whether or not the system has been corrupted: msinfo32

In there if you expand Components, expand Network, and then click Protocol, you will have ten sections under Protocol.

* If you have a third-party add-on installed, the name of the add-on will replace the letters "MSAFD" in the list.

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- * If there are more than ten sections in the list, you have third-party additions installed.
- * If there are fewer than ten sections, there is information missing. *THIS WAS MY ISSUE*

It also in the article tells you how to fix it!

Please enjoy this finding and fix for it that I compiled and I sincerely hope that you don't encounter this. It was one annoying issue.

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