

Re: Win2k SP3

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I've been a participant in the SP3 beta program for a few months now and have had it running on several machines both at work in a test environment and in my home network.

Since version 3.140 (there were subsequent versions of 3.151 and 3.154.2, respectively) I haven't had a single issue related to reliability/install problems. If anything, this service pack is better than the ones before because it seems that it does a much better and thorough job of checking the operating system before actually installing it – the install process is extremely slow in comparison to the previous service packs – but this is definitely a "good thing".

I also did several uninstall/reinstalls using SP3 beta builds (since you need to/should uninstall SP3 beta when moving to another beta or the production release) – with no issues.

I highly recommend it and I would imagine that assuming you follow best practices (i.e. perform a full backup before installing the patch, update ERD, etc. etc.) you will have no issues – even if you do not test it (although you definitely *should*...don't you have anything – a box at home, your workstation...something??). Since the uninstall works well, even if there are problems reported by users or experienced by yourself, rolling back is very smooth (in my experience).

Good luck...

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Today Windows 2000 Service Pack 3 was released at
<http://download.microsoft.com/download/win2000platform/SP/SP3/NT5/EN-US/w2ksp3.exe>

The only Win 2k server we have is mission critical and I cannot afford to nuke it with a new SP.

We do not have a "test box", where I know some people who work for larger companies do have such a useful resource, so when you install this SP, please let me know how it went (any issues, or does everything still run smoothly).

I plan to patch the server next week if all goes well.

Thanks,
Russell

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