

Re: The best firewall is?

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"Lars M. Hansen" <badnews@hansenonline.net> wrote in message news:st1rc05f9qoug5553e91quiskj4mvp117m@4ax.com
> *On Sun, 13 Jun 2004 20:11:14 -0700, Donald McDaniel spoketh*
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>> *If you people are so enamored with commercial software, WHY are you*
>> *not RECOMMENDING it, instead of "free" software?*
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> *What difference does it make? The OP already has a "commercial"*
> *software firewall, and he was looking for a replacement that were*
> *less taxing on his system. The answer to that question is not going*
> *to be McAfee, because that is just as big and bulky, if not more.*
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> *Considering the fact that the free options, such as Kerio, Outpost,*
> *Tiny, and ZoneAlarm are all good options, (just as good firewalls as*
> *the commercial options), why not recommend the free ones? Should one*
> *not recommend something because it's cheap or free?*
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> *You mentioned earlier that ZAP has some features that the free version*
> *does have, such as pop-up blockers and content blocking. Well, not*
> *everyone needs or wants that, so why pay for ZAP if the freeware*
> *solution does the job? Do you think everyone has a rich dad to pay for*
> *everything??*
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> *Lars M. Hansen*
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I live on a fixed income, yet even I am able to afford to pay for my firewall software. The fact is, the millions of addictive users of so-called "free" software, are in reality just greedy. The people who write "free" software would rather you PAID for their software. I know of very few developers who write "free" software for un-self-serving reasons. Which only proves to me that the users of so-called "free" software, who would rather use the "free" software instead of paying for it, are greedy. An honest man would be willing to pay for the services he receives. The millions of users of "free" software wouldn't pay for the gum they chewed,

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if they didn't have to. As far as I am concerned, they are no better than thieves. In fact, they are WORSE than thieves, because they are STEALING what is being offered freely to them.

By the way, anyone without content filtering in this day and age deserves the nasties he is bound to get. And what's the difference in the load to system resources by using one all-in-one software product, and using two or more stand-alone products to accomplish what a single all-in-one product can accomplish with greater ease of use?

Everytime I have used so-called "free" software, I have been badly disappointed. Much of the "free" software floating around on the Internet is written by amateurs, with little sense of proper design concepts. Much of Linux is like that, written by amateurs, and their lack of professional design concepts is reflected in the apps they write. Clunky and buggy. That pretty much defines Linux apps (and most "free" software in general).

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