

Re: How to Maintain an IIS Server?

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"Stephen Pak" <asiats@hotmail.com> wrote in message
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> *I looked at the Microsoft Security Website.*

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> *I understand that there are a lot of information available there.*

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> *Actually, I am particular interested in how to prevent worms (e.g.*

> *Nimda/Code Red/anything else). What anti-virus program is the best for
IIS*

> *server running on a Windows 2000 server.*

Depends. I like Norton. Get a firewall or two as well, and close all ports
incoming and outgoing except for those that are needed.

> *Also, what is the best procedures to restore the IIS server once it is*

> *hacked by someone. Or, I should ask what is the best way to backup the*

> *server. Any software or product is good for backup/restore (automatically*

> *backup) the entire site or even the computer.*

You got it... once your web server has been hacked, you should consider
formatting and reinstalling Windows and all programs, then restoring data
from backups.

Since you asked, more info is below:

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How can I harden my computer or server to secure it from hackers?

A: [Note that if you have already been hacked, this section will not help
you re-secure your computer. In this case, you should first read the
section in this FAQ entitled "How can I re-secure my computer or server
after being hacked?"]

Here is the short answer:

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- 1) Do not put the computer onto the network or the Internet until after the computer has been hardened using the instructions below [or at least not before a firewall and antivirus have been installed].
- 2) Use firewall software and hardware and antivirus software that is configured to download updates every day;
- 3) Follow the instructions for hardening Windows and IIS at www.microsoft.com/technet/security ;
- 4) Install all service packs and security fixes from Microsoft and otherwise for all Microsoft software on your computer [Windows, IIS, Office