

Re: not a valid win32 application Update

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"Zareba" <zareba@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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It appears you are infected with a virus. See if the following info provides a solution;

The continuing saga...I have run every anti-virus and every anti-malware I can find in both regular and safe mode. I have also tried to download and install Stinger on 5 different computers (friends helped) and none of them can install the current version of stinger. We all get "Stinger is not a valid win32 application". Some of these computers have talked to each other and could possibly have been infected with a virus, but some have had not contact with mine or each other.

I realize this is a rather long description of my problem, but I am ready to tear my hair out. I can not find a virus, malware of any kind nor a fix for the problem.

If anyone can steer me toward a place to find a solution, I would be eternally grateful.

Beginning to go back to my original supposition that it is not a virus but rather a corrupt file somewhere ..possibly in updates for Dot Net....In Event Viewer, I have found the following error repeatedly.

EventType: Error
Event Source: MsiInstaller
Event Category: None
Event ID: 1008
Date: 11/8/2007
Time: 7:59:53 PM
User: THEWIZ\The Wiz
Computer: THEWIZ
Description:
The installation of C:\Program Files\Common Files\Wise Installation Wizard\WISCDDCBBF1270346BC938BBCC81A1EEAAA_3_9_0_1008.MSI is not permitted due to an error in software restriction policy processing.

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The object cannot be trusted.

For more information, see Help and Support Center at <http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/events.asp>.

Any attempt to go to this url only tells me that the file is not found. So I searched the KB for information on this error and found article 925336 Oct. 11, 2007.

I am also repeatedly getting Com+ error id 4689..

Event Type: Error

Event Source: COM+

Event Category: Unknown

Event ID: 4689

Date: 11/8/2007

Time: 7:43:42 PM

User: N/A

Computer: THEWIZ

Description:

The run-time environment has detected an inconsistency in its internal state. This indicates a potential instability in the process that could be caused by the custom components running in the COM+ application, the components they make use of, or other factors. Error in d:\qxp_slp\com\com1x\src\comsvcs\package\cpackage.cpp(1184), hr = 8007043c: InitEventCollector failed

For more information, see Help and Support Center at <http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/events.asp>. Again the above url is not available, but a search of the KB turned up article 916254 Dec. 8, 2006.

I have also received Event ID 1023 source .net runtime frequently over the past month, as well as event category (6) event ID 102. Error category (100) event id 1000 also shows up regularly. KB article 290647 seems to speak to this error.

...Z (tearing my hair out and getting ready to run naked down the shady street, screaming all the way)

Zareba, please don't do that, lol. Try this

It sounds like the COM+ Catalog may have become corrupt. It can be re-built with the following steps:

1. Reboot and start in Safemode
2. Open a command prompt (cmd.exe) and execute the following commands:
 - * del %windir%\System32\~Clbcatq.dll
 - * ren %windir%\System32\Clbcatq.dll ~Clbcatq.dll

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* del %windir%\Registration\*.*/s
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3. Start the registry editor and delete the following registry key:

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[HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE \SOFTWARE \Microsoft \COM3]
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4. Reboot and start in Normal mode.

5. Open a command prompt (cmd.exe) and execute this command:

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rmdir /s %windir%\Registration
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6. Open the Control Panel and double click Add/Remove Programs

7. Select Add/Remove Components and click Next and it will reinstall COM+

8. Go to Windows Update and re-apply the necessary service packs and updates for COM+.

-jen