

Re: Shame on Microsoft

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I'm not even going to waste my time rereading the original advisory. All I remember is the port numbers and patch install. There was no mention to disable the port which would have clued me to ask the question how instead of complain after the fact. The mention of ICF for XP came later when people were infected before the patch was installed. I'm not into conspiracies but obviously the patch solved other unmentioned problems besides the RPC port buffer overflow possibility which would have been apparent even if the port was disabled.

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"Karl Levinson [x y], mvp" <levinson_k@despammed.com> wrote in message news:<O8n#z0\$ZDHA.736@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl>...

> *It is not entirely clear in the article, but the mention of the IP filtering on the Blaster worm is meant to be TEMPORARY to allow you to download the patch. It is not meant to be the first line of defence against the worm.*

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> *I saw the draft of the Blaster advisory and know that it too mentioned installing a firewall. You want to install a firewall really, because IP filtering using the IPsec or TCP/IP Filtering features in Windows is NOT a firewall replacement.*

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>> *"BitsNotBytes" <bitsnotbytes@yahoo.com> wrote in message news:946bf591.0308190603.dba5e91@posting.google.com...*
>>> *I wished MS would have said something about this alternative in their security bulletin a month ago. I drilled down and found the port enable/disable setting which is your first line of protection if you don't use a firewall or couldn't install the patch.*

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>>> *Thanks,*
>>> *BitsNotBytes*

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>>> *"Ed Crowley" <curspice@pacbell.net> wrote in message news:<#9fJ3KZZDHA.2404@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl>...*
>>>> *"BitsNotBytes" <bitsnotbytes@yahoo.com> wrote in message*

microsoft.public.security: Re: Shame on Microsoft

> > > > *news:946bf591.0308150538.71571d7f@posting.google.com...*
> > > > *You have to install a firewall to protect a listening port?*
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> > > > *Rubbish. Have you even looked at the advanced options for TCP/IP*
> *under*
> > > > *Windows?*
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