

Re:Unwanted registry visitor (success)

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I downloaded "HiJack This" and was able to eliminate registry files a little at a time and get rid of the stuff I didn't want. The program shows you a log of what it finds and you check to delete, similar to Ad-Aware and Spybot. The files I was trying to get rid of kept coming back when I rebooted, until I removed the registry file that was recreating them. The nice thing about HiJack This is that it categorizes the files and you can get a brief description of what the category of files does, which helps to determine whether or not you need them.

>-----Original Message-----

>I have the same problem, I downloaded a spyware program
>to remove parasites, as my homepage was kidnapped. Once
>the home page was kidnapped, it will not allow me to
>search through the Explorer program. I would have to go
>through the control panel to internet options, click
open
>and delete the defaulted browser. I then clicked on the
>home page to blank, which then frees up access to browse
>the web to get to MICROSOFT to begin to find out what is
>going on. SPYBOT reported that several registry files in
>the H key had entries that were done when I got to a
>replaced browser that imbedded into the registry. I have
>manually deleted these (be careful if you try this, as
if
>you delete the wrong one, you will have to work the
>system restore to try to go back to what your registry
>had in entry prior to deletion, and this is another
whole
>new issue), but with no success, as the registry re-
>appears. I am struggling to find out if permissions are
>needed to remove these registry entries, and how to
apply
>that.
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>I am working from the Microsoft Windows XP Inside Out
>book for my guide, and there is a lot of good info
there.

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>I wish I would have had this book when I first started
>with XP. lesson learned, buy the program guides when a
>new system is installed so these issues do not occur.
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>If anyone can provide guidance on why I can't remove the
>registry entries, i would appreciate a better
>understanding. I know there is another book called
>Troubleshooting Windows XP, and I hope to find some
>answers there to get this issue solved.
>>-----Original Message-----
>>I am trying to find out what is on my wifes machine
that
>>is changing the home page everytime the system is
>>rebooted. I figure it must be in the registry
somewhere,
>>but I don't have a clue how to find it. I also figure
if
>>it is there it must be doing more than just resetting
>the
>>home page. I have run Spybot S&D and Ad Aware, the
stuff
>>she had on the computer was unreal. I think she is
still
>>a sucker for FREE stuff, and ends up with all kinds of
>>malware or whatever it is on the system. Can anybody
>help!
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