

## Re: Messrnger Service

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It sounds like you have some spyware/malware on your system or it's trying to get onto your system, make sure you are running the following items on your PC:

- Firewall – even Windows Firewall in XP SP2 is better than no firewall at all.
- Antivirus – it sounds like you are running Norton, be sure to keep the signatures updated
- Anti-Spyware – MS have a FREE beta version of antispyware that you can download see <http://www.microsoft.com/athome/security/spyware/software/default.msp> and/or you can download many other free antispyware packages from the web and/or purchase a commercial version like Spysweeper from [www.webroot.com](http://www.webroot.com) or Counterspy from [www.sunbelt.com](http://www.sunbelt.com)
- Be sure to have the latest Serrvice pack for your OS, you don't state which OS you are running? Windows XP SP2 will disable the messenger service and other un-needed services, SP2 basically hardens your Windows PC. In addition be sure you have updated it with the latest patches from Windows Update including Office updates.
- Be sure to keep other applications updated and patched such as Adobe Acrobat, Winzip and so forth.

Good luck.

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Cheers

Keith

"Netty" <[Netty@discussions.microsoft.com](mailto:Netty@discussions.microsoft.com)> wrote in message news:6C7B9F03-902B-44E9-96A3-191D1FC2C8EA@microsoft.com...

>I am receiving a "pop up" conststanly from Messenger Service ...  
> message from system to alert on :-  
> asking to download Registry Repair from  
> [http:// www.ms-fix.com](http://www.ms-fix.com) ..... or other sites to protect my pc.  
> Have visited these sites but all want paying for service. I have Nortons  
> and  
> pop up's blocked but this keeps getting through. can anyone help? please