

Re: help on pop ups

Source: <http://www.derkeiler.com/Newsgroups/microsoft.public.win2000.security/2003-11/0123.html>

From: Lanwench [MVP – Exchange] (lanwench_at_heybuddy.donotsendme.unsolicitedmail.atyahoo.com)

Date: 11/02/03

Date: Sun, 2 Nov 2003 12:03:32 -0500

For browser popups – <http://toolbar.google.com> works well.

Also – does the window title say anything about Messenger? If so, you need a firewall. 'Messenger spam', is not in itself harmful, but is symptomatic of a larger problem – your computer has ports open from the Internet.

You can disable the Messenger service, but that is unwise as a solution as you'll still have the underlying problem that caused you to get the messages in the first place – consider the messages a useful warning that you have no protection from the Internet. This is all too important now, given the recent rash of RPC worms....

For a standalone machine, see www.sygate.com for a free personal firewall, or if using Windows XP, you can enable the built-in internet connection firewall (ICF).

See <http://securityadmin.info/faq.htm> for more info.

Also, go to www.lavasoft.de and get AdAware – download, install, launch, update, scan.

shawn wrote:

- > use windows 2000 everytime i use internet explorer i get
- > plenty of pop ups when i surf. its very irritating. anyone
- > know how to clear internet explorer so nothing pops up
- > again when i surf? think one of the reasons could b the
- > wnad as i found the file by searchin my com, but are there
- > other things that i might do? also microsoft website does
- > not say how to remove it in win 2k, only in win 98 and
- > below....