

messenger pop-up ads fix that works!

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If your using windows XP,NT and 2000 and getting pop-up ads here's the fix to get rid of them from sending you Mafia type ads to pay them to stop sending them!

I tried the firewall fix but that didn't stop them so I disabled the Messenger be sure to read the caution if you do!

Hello John,

Thanks for the additional information we needed.

I understand you are receiving "Messenger Service" pop ups.

Message windows that appear on your system with the title "Messenger Service", and containing an "OK" button, are not related to either Windows Messenger, or MSN Messenger.

They are generated by the Messenger Service that's built into some Windows operating systems (Windows NT, 2000, and XP). This service is intended to be used for network alerts and communications by system administrators. It is a tool that can only send messages one-way, unlike the two-way conversations that .NET Messenger services are designed to allow.

It's possible for unsolicited messages to be sent across a home or corporate network, as well as the Internet, to any system that has

not blocked or disabled this service. Although you may have received a message through this service, it does not mean that the person sending has in any way compromised your system. These messages can be sent out "blindly", so that any computer that has not blocked or disabled the service will receive them.

You can see how this service works by performing the following test:

1. Click "Start" and then click "Run"
2. Type "cmd" (without quotes) and click "OK".
3. In the command window that has opens, type "net send 127.0.0.1 This is how it works" (Without quotes) and "Enter" on your keyboard.
4. The IP address 127.0.0.1 always represents the local machine (the one you are working on), so this will cause a Messenger Service dialog to appear on your screen.

To prevent these messages from appearing by turning on the Windows XP built-in firewall:

1. Click "Start", and select "Help & Support" from the menu.
2. Search for "enable firewall" (no quotes).

Or, if you wish, you can disable this service:

* Windows XP

- 1) Click on your "Start" button and go to the "Control Panel" menu.
- 2) Click "Performance and Maintenance".
- 3) Click "Administrative Tools".
- 4) Double-click "Services".
- 5) Scroll down and highlight "Messenger".
- 6) Right-click the highlighted line and choose "Properties".
- 7) Click the "STOP" button.
- 8) Select "Disable" in the "Startup type" menu.
- 9) Click "OK".

If you choose to disable this service please be aware of the following:

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- * You will no longer be able to receive network notifications. We recommend you contact your system administrator (if you are on a network) before changing any settings.
- * You may no longer receive error reports relative to networked printers.
- * This may prevent messages from 3rd party software from being displayed.
- * Disabling this service will not affect your .NET Messenger Instant Messaging service in any way.

For additional online help, please go to:
<http://messenger.microsoft.com/support/helphome.asp>

Sincerely,

Dennis
MSN Messenger Support