

## Nicholas – Work around for blaster.exe

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You need to disable the remote procedure call (RPC) function as follows:

- 1) Access the control panel.
- 2) Click on administrative tools.
- 3) Click on services.
- 4) Scroll down the list until you come to remote procedure call.
- 5) Double click remote procedure call.
- 6) Click the recover tab
- 7) Change the first, second and subsequent failures to "take no action".
- 8) Click OK and then close the services box and the control panel box.

Doing this should stop you PC from shutting down. You may get a dialog box come up instead with a black background. Click on the X to close this.

You should now be able to download the fix etc without your PC shutting down every five minutes.

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

>I put Nicholas in the subject because he seems to know  
>something about this. Anyone else who wants to jump in  
>is more than welcome.

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>A number of people are having the same problem. They  
>can't get to the Microsoft site to download the patch,  
so

>while you're absolutely correct in your advice, it  
>doesn't seem possible. Is there a workaround that will  
>get us to Microsoft for the update? Can we reconfigure  
>something on the machine that will protect us while we  
go

>for the real fix? MS suggests shutting down ports 4444,

- >69, and 135 (I've also heard 139 and 445 elsewhere), but
- >as usual they don't provide any links to how to do this
- >or any substantial explanation of the pros and cons.
- >Will this be enough? How do you shut down a port?
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