

MSN Messenger POPUPS

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Some better advice would be for him to install his firewall (do a search on your pc for firewall) or get a third party firewall to block the ports that these 'advertisers' are using. Stopping the service won't fix the real problem.

–Jeremy

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

>Don't confuse "MSN Messenger" with the "Windows Messenger Service". MSN Messenger is designed for graphics-based Internet messaging (like Yahoo Messenger and AOL Instant Messenger).

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>Windows Messenger Service has been around since early versions of NT, except that it now actually works. You have somehow exposed yourself to one of the messenger intrusions via the Internet. See www.symantec.com or microsoft.com for discussion of this vulnerability. To stop it, right-click "My Computer" and choose "Manage".

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>Drill down to Services. Find the service called "Messenger" and STOP it. Then change the startup properties to disabled. You will no longer see the Windows messenger intrusions, but you will still be able to use MSN Messenger, if you so choose.

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>-- Danny

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

>>My XP was pre-installed with the MSN Instant Messenger included...no extra charge! Like Heck!

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>>Every few minutes a pop up appears right in the middle of

>>my screen showing it's source Windows Messenger...I've deleted the MSN Messenger from the system and they still

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>>*keep coming.*

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>>*Does anyone know how to fix this incredible flaw in this*

>>*XP version th*