

Re: Outlook 2003 Security Issue??

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Probably not, but I'd wager that your email smtp service was used as an open relay to send such spam. In this case, delete all email that bounces back to you and keep doing it until it eventually stops. You may have to reconfigure outlook to use authentication when sending emails so that it won't be used as an open relay without your ISP's knowledge as they would have a record that you authenticated the sending of emails. To go all out, you should also configure outlook not to check for/recieve emails automatically *and* not to send email automatically either. This way, you have total control of your email client, and there would be no way an email can be can be sent out until you manually send them out. I can't tell you the step by step instructions for configuring outlook 2003, since I don't have that client. I have and use outlookxp/2002 though.

Ken Koklin wrote:

- > *I received some spam from a company. I deleted it... did*
- > *NOT click on the link.*
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- > *I later got the following e-mail...*
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- > *I'm sorry to inform you that your message, addressed to*
- > *alphamailer@exit-pro.net,*
- > *could not be delivered due to the following error.*
- >
- > **** Mailbox of user alphamailer@exit-pro.net is FULL ****
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- > *It says I sent them an e-mail, there is nothing in*
- > *my "sent mail" saying I did. Is OUTLOOK 2003*
- > *automatically sending out a reply to this company??*
- > *That's what the e-mail header says.*

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Regards,

Durand

Post queries and replies to the newsgroup so all may be enlightened thru shared knowledge. Experience is a cruel but effective teacher.