

Re: DSL Fast but messed up my XP settings– Adware?Spyware?

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1) Download the following three items...

Trend Sysclean Package

<http://www.trendmicro.com/download/dcs.asp>

Latest Trend signature files.

<http://www.trendmicro.com/download/pattern.asp>

Adaware SE (personal free version)

<http://www.lavasoftusa.com/>

Create a directory.

On drive "C:"

(e.g., "c:\New Folder")

or the desktop

(e.g., "C:\Documents and Settings\lipman\Desktop\New Folder")

Download sysclean.com and place it in that directory.

Download the signature files (pattern files) by obtaining the ZIP file.

For example; lpt228.zip

Extract the contents of the ZIP file and place the contents in the same directory as sysclean.com.

2) Update Adware with the latest definitions.

3) If you are using WinME or WinXP, disable System Restore

<http://vil.nai.com/vil/SystemHelpDocs/DisableSysRestore.htm>

4) Reboot your PC into Safe Mode

5) Using both the Trend Sysclean utility and Adaware, perform a Full Scan of your platform and clean/delete any infectors/parasites found.

(a few cycles may be needed)

6) Restart your PC and perform a "final" Full Scan of your platform using both the Trend Sysclean utility and Adaware

7) If you are using WinME or WinXP, Re-enable System Restore and re-apply any System Restore preferences, (e.g. HD space to use suggested 400 ~ 600MB),

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8) Reboot your PC.

9) If you are using WinME or WinXP, create a new Restore point

You can also try some of the below online scanners.

Trend:

<http://housecall.antivirus.com>

<http://housecall.trendmicro.com>

F-Secure:

<http://support.f-secure.com/enu/home/ols.shtml>

McAfee:

<http://www.mcafee.com/myapps/mfs/default.asp>

Panda:

<http://www.pandasoftware.com/activescan/>

Kaspersky:

<http://www.kaspersky.com/de/scanforvirus>

Symantec:

<http://security.symantec.com/>

BitDefender

<http://www.bitdefender.com/scan/license.php>

Freedom Online scanner

<http://www.freedom.net/viruscenter/index.html>

* * * Please report your results ! * * *

Dave

"Alppasta" <Alppasta.1f2hh0@pcbanter.net> wrote in message
news:Alppasta.1f2hh0@pcbanter.net...

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| I have just gotten Verizon DSL. I have a router with a firewall and I
| have a software firewall. I have a virus detect and several
| adware/spyware programs. All the software programs I have say the
| machine is clean. The second I plug into the internet, several EXE
| files begin running in the background and I get my IE homepage changed
| to "SLOTCH.COM" my favorites sites get added to with bookmarks I did
| not request and I get bombarded with software pushes from unknown
| sources. Any options besides rebooting XP software and starting
| over?????
| I can't even get help because I can't stay on the internet long without
| getting slammed with stuff.

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