

## Re: security centre unavailable

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**From:** Peter (*Peter\_at\_discussions.microsoft.com*)

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Yes it would. I back up my personal stuff and favourites, downloads etc on a regular basis.

You could try a repair install which only wipes out the latest windows updates, but preserves your files and folders. Rather than go into detail it's all laid out here:

[http://www.webtree.ca/windowsxp/repair\\_xp.htm#How%20to%20Repair%20Windows%20XP%20by%20Installing%20Service%20Pack%202](http://www.webtree.ca/windowsxp/repair_xp.htm#How%20to%20Repair%20Windows%20XP%20by%20Installing%20Service%20Pack%202)

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"philwil" <philwil@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message

news:9366465C-7941-4C94-8E35-53A3EDF77840@microsoft.com...

> but will a format or reinstall delete any of my files/applications etc?

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> "Peter" wrote:

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>> I think you need to do a format/re-install of XP or at least do a system

>> file check.

>> The latter is Start/Run enter sfc /scannow (with the space).. it may ask

>> you

>> for your Installation CD unless all the i386 files were installed along

>> with

>> XP. Insert the CD and see what happens. At worst it will fail.

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>> > well, thanks anyway. I've searched around and found I'm not the only

>> > one

>> > with

>> > the problem, which is a slight relief, but no answers. It looks more

>> > and

>> > more

>> > as though its a microsoft-related issue but they don't seem to be

>> > acknowledging it. Strange thing, too, if I switch users the security

>> > centre

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>> > and updates also turns off too. Guess I'll just have to activate them
>> > manually each time until I can find the answer.
>> > cheers
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>> >> ....apart from a repair install
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>> >> news:uCk6ddmJFHA.3832@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...
>> >> > Weird...did you have SP2 already installed when you bought the PC?
>> >> > Help
>> >> > is
>> >> > supposed to be free if it wasn't. You could try the email approach
>> >> > as
>> >> > per
>> >> > that page...they've helped me in the past. I asked you the country
>> >> > as
>> >> > I
>> >> > assumed you were in the UK (centre iso center), but it could have
>> >> > been
>> >> > Canada too!!
>> >> > Failing that you could join ProNetworks Forums, free, there are a
>> >> > lot
>> >> > of
>> >> > experts there, especially in their Windows Forum...link:
>> >> > http://www.pro-networks.org/forum/ ... but there isn't anything
>> >> > else
>> >> > that
>> >> > I can suggest I'm afraid.
>> >> > Sorry, and good luck!
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>> >> >> I've tried all you said, but no change. Phoned Microsoft on the
>> >> >> Security
>> >> >> Centre 'free' phone number, and they want to charge me £50 to look
>> >> >> into
>> >> >> it!!
>> >> >> There must be another way . . . I hope.
>> >> >>
>> >> >> I'm in the UK, but the way. Does that make any difference?
>> >> >>
>> >> >> "Peter" wrote:
>> >> >>
>> >> >>> Found yet another reference....."Go to the Control Panel, open
>> >> >>> Performance
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>> >> >>> and Maintenance, open
>> >> >>> Adminstrative Tools, open Services. Make sure that the "Security
>> >> >>> Center"
>> >> >>> and
>> >> >>> "Windows Firewall/Intenet Connection Sharing" start up type is set
>> >> >>> to
>> >> >>> Automatic. Reboot your computer and see if they are available"
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>> >> >>> > Hi Peter,
>> >> >>> >
>> >> >>> > the microsoft link you gave is dead. do you know another way in?
>> >> >>> >
>> >> >>> > "Peter" wrote:
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>> >> >>> >> Security Center also has another dependancy in services.msc
>> >> >>> >> Workstation
>> >> >>> >> should be started and automatic.
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>> >> >>> >> > thanks for the reply, Peter.
>> >> >>> >> > Interesting. . . I did as you advised, but after rebooting I
>> >> >>> >> > still
>> >> >>> >> > found
>> >> >>> >> > Security Centre was Unavailable. So I checked Services.msc
>> >> >>> >> > again
>> >> >>> >> > and
>> >> >>> >> > those
>> >> >>> >> > services you mentioned, which I had put to Start, had
>> >> >>> >> > switched
>> >> >>> >> > themselves
>> >> >>> >> > off
>> >> >>> >> > again. Any idea what's causing that?
>> >> >>> >> >
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>> >> >>> >> > "Peter" wrote:
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>> >> >>> >> >> P.S. Correction ... right click and go to "Properties"
>> >> >>> >> >>
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>> >> >>> >> >> news:BA476BEE-42B0-4728-A67C-16134D00A412@microsoft.com...
>> >> >>> >> >> >a couple of strange things started happening recently.
>> >> >>> >> >> >First,
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