Subject: Re: FORMAT.... Posted by gibberish on Fri, 05 Dec 2003 21:57:02 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

i0nuk3when u format your whole computer and install windows XP again ,what do you in order to be safe from the viruses when u first log on the internet??? i0nuk3i dont have no router on my comp, i got a adsl modem and filter thats it...

Dude you originally asked how to log onto to the internet safely.

The answer is to get a good virus scanner and/or a good firewall.

This costs money (minimum \$50)

As far as firewalls are concerned you basically have three choices:

Software - Program you install on your PC. NAT Router - Plugs in between your computer and modem. Hardware Firewall - True hardware firewall.

Personally I prefer using hardware firewalls so thats what I use, however you really need to be a techie to use a HW firewall effectively.

I am pretty happy with my firewall so I don't bother with a virus scanner but the choice is yours.