## Subject: Computer protection advice needed Posted by IRON FART on Fri, 19 Mar 2004 02:18:16 GMT

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I have never had Norton conflict with any of my programs before, but I had only installed NAV on my computer for a short period of time.

But the reason I did not like having Norton products on my system was because they seemed to bog everything down. Thats probably just me though. Anyway, because of this I went out and tried Blackice and McAfee.

McAfee Firewall: Did the job, but had very few options that you could change. Hardly customizable.

Blackice: Looks like crap when you install it, and does not look anywhere near as flashy as it's website. However, it does the job, and gives you basic firewall protection.

I reccomend you take a look at ZoneAlarm. It provides a good firewall service, and it very customizable. Although I have heard from people that ZA used up a little more RAM than most firewalls, its worth a peek,

And don't bother upgrading to "pro" versions of any of these. They all display a lot of harmless stuff to make you think you need their pro version.