Subject: Firewall
Posted by Zion on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 00:10:39 GMT
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Does anyone know of any decent firewall for me? I have norton but its just slow and im prone to getting viruses/spyware/trojan's.

Thank's in Advance, Merovingian

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Cat998 on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 01:01:48 GMT
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Zonelabs Zonealarm beats all firewalls

 http://www.zonelabs.com/store/content/company/products/znalm
/freeDownload.jsp?dc=34std&ctry=&lang=en

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Berkut on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 01:22:01 GMT
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Really? I have Norton Internet Security '06 and nothing has gotten through.

...although I heard that if you download pr0n, you pretty much sign an agreement to have your AV ignore malware. That's how my friend lost his computer.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Zion on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 01:37:16 GMT
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It's a family computer so no porn here

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Berkut on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 01:42:49 GMT
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That's good. IMO, anyway.

Subject: Re: Firewall

Posted by DarkDemin on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 02:37:36 GMT
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Soooo, have you tried to delete this lately? Have fun!

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by mision08 on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 03:07:19 GMT
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Here you can get Sygate Personal Firewall, no longer in production (as Sygate)
The firewall works fine, I don't know of anything it doesn't block. BlackIce is another great firewall,
but you will have to dig deep to find it. Also, I don't think ZoneAlarm is the problem. You should
drop IE and get a real browser, turn off javascripts, cookies, and refuse ActiveX installs unless you
know the website. Maybe a nice proxy to filter out the bullshit on the fly. This is a good resource
for a great piece of software, written by the late Scott R. Lemmon
 Here you can find a very fast tool to clean your PC

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by PlastoJoe on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 04:53:04 GMT
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Berkut wrote on Thu, 06 July 2006 20:22Really? I have Norton Internet Security '06 and nothing
has gotten through.
My family and I have it too, along with Anti-Virus. I'd have to agree with the people who call it
utter crap. It doesn't stop a lot of adware and the anti-virus often will detect serious stuff on the
computer but refuse to delete it.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Goztow on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 07:37:23 GMT
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figure out what was the problem too.

From that moment I have been using zonelabs zonealarm and never had any problems. Sure,
sometimes it flips (starts using 99% cpu) but a simple restart of zonealarm solves that.

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Posted by light on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 10:51:05 GMT
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Sygate is great for me. I don't have any of those issues with it.

Zone Alarm on the other hand has caused me unending grief.

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Posted by mision08 on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 14:20:18 GMT
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I concur with Light, works fine for me. Not that I need one behind a router.
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Posted by Goztow on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 17:12:55 GMT
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Smartguy, I had Sygate almost two years on my legally bought Windows. I know what I'm talking about .

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Posted by Zion on Fri, 07 Jul 2006 23:37:56 GMT
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Ok, anything other than "Sygate" or "ZoneAlarm"?

Havnt hard of them much so ill leave them unless its absolutely critical that i get one.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by light on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 00:06:21 GMT
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Merovingian wrote on Sat, 08 July 2006 11:37Ok, anything other than "Sygate" or "ZoneAlarm"?

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Your 3rd real free option is Kerio. I have an older version on my laptop and it's good, but the latest version can get quite annoying.

Quote:Not that I need one behind a router.
I disagree there. A router will give you good protection against outside attacks (incoming connections) but any spyware on your system will have free access to the internet if you don't use a firewall to block outgoing connections.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Caveman on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 01:26:07 GMT
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I highly recommend that you download and install either BlackIce PC Protection or the Server protection version, these software firewalls are great. I've never had any problems with them.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by rc22fires on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 02:42:14 GMT
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I agree with ZoneAlarm. They may not look so good by their site, and the interface of ZoneAlarm is easy but still maybe less than your expectations. However, I have never had a better firewall than Zone Alarm. I have been using it for quite a while and if you can get what in my eyes is the best as freeware, you should go for it. I recently switch to Zone Alarm Pro and I will never get rid of it.
Additionaly Zone Alarm has won many awards.
> Zone Alarm<

For AntiVirus I have tried many things, even more than what I have tried for Firewalls. What I like most is Anti-Vir, it has never failed me and is simple. Also their search-engine technology is only the best. I get updates on a daily basis, just today I got 4 or more web updates for AntiVir. Also like Zone Alarm, AntiVir is an award winner. Very good software, I would rather have this better free product than have to pay for another anti-virus product.
>AntiVir<

My opinion on Norton, no I don't think it's udder crap. I just think their is better. I am a former norton user and had it on my computer for a long time. The whole time I had it I thought I was safe and wasn't even able to learn alot of all the types of malware and internet threats there are out

there.

(The following paragrah is a story and is optional to read)
When the SVK issue occured I ignored it, I then fixed my SVK problem. Then later I have another Renguard problem. "This program has encountered an error and needs to close", I got this after I had using RenIP a few time. I know it was related to RenIP because I have had other problems to Renguard occur in the past related to RenIP. This happened when a bad server port was entered, and I tried to join, due to a server port change. Well then that problem occured 100s of times and would not stop. RG was unusable. I tried everything, from uninstalling RG, uninstalling RG and Ren, uninstalling RG and Ren and deleting the folder cleaning the registry and everything RG and Ren related completle, to reinstalling windows. Everything I tried, I have tried over 2 times. I had no choice to format, or it would result in losing mod powers on some servers and getting kicked from my clan, which both came close to happening.

After the format I had reinstalled Norton and it was screwing up my computer, it was causing a problem. What was happening was that it did not let me log into my user account, as if I didn't have the rights. I had to format again, then I tried a different anti-virus.

Well as I said I got nothing against Norton it's isn't bad at all, but I would rather have the better freeware products on my computer that I have now than the worser pay service. Even though I need multiple programs than one suite it's much more satisfying, especially because my computer is spyware immune now. ;D (Unless I DL something off the net)

I am protected by Ad-Aware, Spybot S&D, HijackThis, Rootkit Revealer as scanners. Now when I say I mean litteraly immune, that means I can't get it! I have SpywareBlaster, I user the Immunizer of Spybot S&D, I browse with Firefox and use the extensions Adblock Plus, Adblock Filterset.G Updator and NoScript.

Have not gotten a single thing found in my spyware scan results with all my scanners.

Did I just take this off topic? Yes I did! No but seriously, I have learned how to make the best of the web when it comes to surfing, my browser, and keeping myself immune and safe. Considering the fact for the last 2 years I have not gone to school and have stayed home all day on the computer. Yep, for 2 years, since 9th grade. I learned alot, recently about all the cool extensions that are of great use in Firefox ;D.

Edit: Here is more spam!!!!!!!!!!!@@@@@!!!@$$$!!!!

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Dogg on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 03:01:09 GMT
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Zone Alarm, even the free version plus a Linksys Router is about the best security a home user can get...security suites, and even Zone Alarm now, protects against a lot of other things as well.

If it's spyware, malware, whatever else...Windows Defender is becoming top dog...why? (They built the OS so they know more secrets than others)

Firewall...Zone Alarm was the first to start program control...that's the most important aspect of ANY firewall...Norton does a decent job now a days, but users don't like 50 pop ups and confirmations...Black Ice and McAfee and a few others are also pretty good...but I have yet to hear or read another program go one on one against Zone Alarm (as far as firewall tests) and beat it...and that's the free version mind you. Paid version gets you a lot more bells and whistles, but for 20 bucks more a McAfee or Norton all in one suite may suit ya better, but I'll never switch personally from Zone Alarm anytime soon. I also get to use a free version of Symantec Corperate Edition so why get a memory hogging suite that I don't need?!?!

Virus protection...it truely does NOT matter which...each one on a different day does better as they release the defintions first...Trend Micro, McAfee, Symantec, Panda, etc etc etc...just have one...the more free the better generally...which ever one meets your needs for updates...the better...

My personal network, with the exception of exceptions I manually enter into my linksys router for FTP and other things...has never recieved ONE inside alert passed the router...meaning no KNOWN attackers have even challenged Zone Alarm on the inside...travelling yeah...cause then Zone Alarm is on the perimeter, but that's expected...plus on new linksys firewalls you can enable firewall protection meaning the router will only let machines from the inside get out if it's firewall is working...in other words, a dead firewall program on a computer will not be able to get exposed to the internet...not a bad deal...

Any persons main worry should be web bots...malware, spyware, 99% of virus's are just pains in the ass....web bots and losing control of your computer should be your main concern...

Some good reading... http://www.grc.com/default.htm

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Posted by mision08 on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 03:30:54 GMT
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caveman wrote on Fri, 07 July 2006 20:26I highly recommend that you download and install either BlackIce PC Protection or the Server protection version, these software firewalls are great. I've never had any problems with them.

Where did you find it? I looked for it several times, but I always get off track.

I agree Light, I use sygate at the local machine. Although, it's really just to keep Micro $oftware from calling home. No, It's just to make it more difficult. I had to let the validation shitware they slipped in on an update to contact their network. Customers have raised so much hell they stopped it about as fast as it started.

Merovingian,
I wouldn't waist to much time on a firewall. A good web browser, mail client and maybe FTP server is more important. Good safety habits are also more important. Doesn't matter how good the lock is, if you just open the door anyway.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by light on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 03:57:40 GMT
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Quote:but I have yet to hear or read another program go one on one against Zone Alarm (as far as firewall tests) and beat it...and that's the free version mind you.
Can ZoneAlarm:

Detect when one program attempts to use another program to access the internet
Detect that a program has changed since it was allowed access (i.e. been patched)

The last version I used couldn't. TBH ZA is fine for someone who doesn't want all the technical details thrown in their face, but it's not for me.

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I call Bullshit. Personally I prefer F-Secure, but I run AVG (and BitDefender) because F-Secure costs.

F-Secure Awards: http://www.f-secure.co.uk/f-secure/awards/
Anti=Spyware roundup: http://www.infoworld.com/article/05/09/19/38FEspy_1.html

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Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Goztow on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 08:05:35 GMT
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Quote:Detect that a program has changed since it was allowed access
Yes. Donno about the other, ain't an 'expert'.

If you haven't heard about zonealarm, under which rock have you been living then?

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by almor999 on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 13:51:17 GMT
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There are no really good free firewalls.

Sygate is no longer being updated so the attack signatures will never contain information about newer attacks and any vulnerabilities for it will never be fixed.

Kerio free is useless, I had it set to the highest settings and it couldn't even manage to block a simple port scan with nmap.

Jetico has good outbound protection but it is very buggy.

Zone Alarm free is very basic and I found I could not get it configured how I wanted it.

I would reccomend purchasing Outpost or if you prefer Tiny firewall. Do not make your decision based off only this thread, do a bit more research, download trials, run tests and see what meets your needs and offers the protection you want.

For anti-virus my prefernece is antivir classic(free).
For anti-malware/spyware/adware I use Windows Defender and I also do scans with Ewido, a2 free and ad-aware.

As someone else stated the biggest security risk is the user, if you use good habits you will never get infected with anything. Stay away from warez, porno and sites offering free screensavers and emotes and other stuff like that. Be very careful what you download(including emails). And of course use Opera or Firefox or an addon for IE to make it more secure(or IE 7).

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Zion on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 13:55:50 GMT
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One of the big brittish ones

I would consider a good FTP and mail software when i got my new system which will be a host of a small network but this is the only "decent" system in the house. I am currently behind a netgear router (i tryed linksys but it wouldent let teamspeak through it) and i have Avast! AV and Lavasoft Ad-aware SE which scans the 280gb every month. I have Mozilla Firefox as my browser since IE got slower and slower. The reason i am looking for a decent firewall is because im in the modelling industry and have alot of very valuble data on my HDD's.

I will try Zone Alarm since many users here have had it and it hasnt let them down, for all they know...

Thank again, Merovingian

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by mision08 on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 19:04:47 GMT
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Sounds like you should be looking into
"backup|store data"

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by AmunRa on Sat, 08 Jul 2006 22:11:18 GMT
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I'll give you the best combination, Nod32 and ZoneAlarm Pro, and, if you know what your doing, they can both be free

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Posted by Caveman on Sun, 09 Jul 2006 01:12:13 GMT
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Yes to both...

For example:

When Surf Anonymous is running and irc or other programs are going through it, it says mirc is trying to access through surf anonymous...allow or deny..I even get warnings that directcd is trying to access the internet through surf anonymous as well when I have it enabled for web proxies through IE.

And when mirc is updated like I did last week, gayspy, TS, and yahoo...all that I've updated in the last two weeks...all notified me that the program had changed and if I should re-allow or deny.

Plus it secures mail ports to just my specific mail programs so at least no smtp whore bot will send out anonymous mass emails...it has to be a virus in Outlook that beat everything else to get inside...

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Dogg on Sun, 09 Jul 2006 15:25:36 GMT
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F-Secure Awards: http://www.f-secure.co.uk/f-secure/awards/
Anti=Spyware roundup: http://www.infoworld.com/article/05/09/19/38FEspy_1.html

This did prove my point very well though...notice F-Secure won an award, Feb, Apr and Jun...what happened to Jan, Mar, and May?

#1 - it's one magizine...k
#2 - depends on the day it was tested and the virus' released
#3 - depends on the frequency of the updates

Run these tests every single day, and no one company is the champ, except the top vendors that can afford to have people staring at screens 24/7 waiting to write new definitions or find the lastest code to beat...

Doesn't really matter...

Plus its spyware test didn't seem to run Nortons, Zone Alarms, Adaware, Windows Defender Beta...

Those are some pretty big names to drop out of a list...

Again...it doesn't really matter for anti virus...free is great, more updates is great, a bundled solution is great...mix and match and it's great...but virus's are least of ANY computer users worries...it is important, but just about at the bottom of your pucker factor list...just do have something...but worry about a firewall with program control first...

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Nightma12 on Sun, 09 Jul 2006 21:50:27 GMT
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Posted by AmunRa on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 00:29:17 GMT
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Ha, I thought you said go to your homepage. So, a quick search of google catholic-caveman.blogspot.com, I will need more time to review this. a title like The Lair of the Catholic Cavemen, with the Marx Bros. and hot girls it must be good.

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File Attachments
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1) GhettoChicks.jpg, downloaded 706 times

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by PaRaDoX on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 01:51:29 GMT
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Wow.... this is the C&C renegade forum and no one motioned Nod32??????

http://www.eset.com/

truly sad...

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Dave Mason on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 01:59:39 GMT
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AmunRa wrote on Sat, 08 July 2006 23:11I'll give you the best combination, Nod32 and ZoneAlarm Pro, and, if you know what your doing, they can both be free

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Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by mision08 on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 04:33:53 GMT
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Never heard of it until now.

Subject: Re: Firewall

Posted by terminator 101 on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 18:13:18 GMT
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AmunRa wrote on Sat, 08 July 2006 18:11I'll give you the best combination, Nod32 and ZoneAlarm Pro, and, if you know what your doing, they can both be free
And how exactly can they be free?

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by cheesesoda on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 18:19:24 GMT
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Terminator 101 wrote on Mon, 10 July 2006 14:13And how exactly can they be free?
Well, there's this thing called piracy. It magically turns software that cost the consumer money to obtain to software that cost the consumer only bandwidth to obtain.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by terminator 101 on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 19:33:39 GMT
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j_ball430, tell me something I don't know.

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by mision08 on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 19:50:20 GMT
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You either use the extremely complicated reverse engineering method, or the very easy and entertaining advanced searching method. You only need to find the persons who have already reversed it. It's best to know the file name such as si40.zip (softice).

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by Dogg on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 21:16:21 GMT
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That or you spend the 30-70 bucks a year to keep one of your most important assets up, running and your information intact...

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by mision08 on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 23:04:17 GMT

Blasphemy, I think you may be taking the freedom of speech a little to far.
I think Ethereal or wild packets and sygate to be more than sufficient security. The only program that I have caught breaking out was windows, and I had to open the gate for that shit to return control of my OS.
Really cool to see the win genuine adv slipped into an update. So, anytime I tinker with my PC (pull a sound card out) It freaks out like I stole the shit. I used to think MS got a bad wrap. People acted like they were crooks and I never understood why. Now I think I'm starting to see.
I think the biggest security threat this year was in week 2 of January. The media player exploit that Microsoft didn't have a fix for. Yeah right. A Russian programmer Ilfak Guilfanov, author of IDA (very powerful disassembler) who released a patch told Leo Laporte that it was a design feature in windows. There own personal door to any system running Windows. Hmm How the hell did I get here?

Subject: Re: Firewall
Posted by troopm02 on Tue, 11 Jul 2006 00:41:22 GMT

Kaspersky Internet Suite is the best one out there!

I know from experience because I used to work on malware definitions