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Thread: [\[Advice\] To everyone using Microsoft Security Essentials \(MSE\)](#)

Aura - February 17, 2014, 7:43 pm

Hey guys, Aura here with a little recommendation for you.

I know that a good number of members here uses Microsoft Security Essentials (MSE) as their main protection against viruses and malwares. Yes, MSE was once at the top and was one of the best security solution you could get. But not a long time ago, the support for Microsoft Security Essentials eventually stopped and Microsoft now recommends you to use another Antivirus instead to ensure a maximum protection of your system. I'm posting this because a lot of people seems to not be aware that MSE's days are over.

Articles :

<http://thundercloud.net/infoave/new/microsoft-security-essentials-its-official-microsoft-says-you-should-use-something-else/>

<http://www.howtogeek.com/173291/goodbye-microsoft-security-essentials-microsoft-now-recommends-you-use-a-third-party-antivirus/>

<http://lifel hacker.com/microsoft-admits-that-third-party-antivirus-is-more-effective-1441135677>

In short, Microsoft Security Essentials is now used as a "base Antivirus", which means that everything they gathered via MSE will be shared with other Antiviruses companies in order to help them create a stronger Antivirus protection for the consumers.

You can discuss about the subject here if you want.

Fafaffy - February 17, 2014, 7:45 pm

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That's a good practice. Personally, I have an isolated (no sharings) Windows 7 VM where Avast! free, Comodo Firewall, Malwarebytes and Sandboxie are installed. And if I have to download a file from a source I don't know or I don't trust, I do it through that VM and scan/analyze it before actually downloading it on my host machine.

Weebex - February 18, 2014, 3:06 pm

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Aura - February 18, 2014, 3:07 pm

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YES I KNOW! I cant get the voices to go off, its scary D:

Corso - February 19, 2014, 7:00 am

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Sometimes, Microsoft's solutions for Windows are not always the best solutions. ?

CRYP7 - February 19, 2014, 1:45 pm

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Aura - February 19, 2014, 1:53 pm

(Feb 19, 2014 02:45 PM)CRYP7 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Time to install Eset ... that shit detects new malware so fast!

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webdev77 - February 19, 2014, 1:58 pm

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Gustav. - February 19, 2014, 2:12 pm

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(Feb 19, 2014 06:25 PM)Chief? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Ah shut up, you silly goose. I don't feel like going anywhere with members like you ?
Me and you are going far Chief. You know why ?
Cause your pocket ain't empty cuz.

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There's a few people (myself included) that know about Anubis and also use it. Xen0n have access to an even better website from the creators of Anubis, which is great.

Also, any Antiviruses that have a "Cloud protection" mode can beat the fast update feature of Malwarebytes ? Antiviruses such as Kaspersky and Comodo for exemple. But yes, it's definitely one of the best, if not the best Antimalware there is.

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Too long didn't read. I did, however, read the first few words about you being drunk though. That's believable.

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Wow Aura, you brushed that off like it was nothing ?

I guess we can continue MSE discussion now!

Sorry for trashing the thread...

Weebex - February 20, 2014, 8:18 pm

Avast's voice still scares the shit out of me, MSE I miss you :(

VIPR? - February 21, 2014, 12:35 pm

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drummer_boy - February 21, 2014, 1:11 pm

Thanks.. Information keeps us protected at-least for the while. Beside i do use other protections and firewalls.

Aura - February 21, 2014, 2:19 pm

(Feb 21, 2014 01:35 PM)Monarche Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I would use another anti virus if I had better system specs.

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Wojak - February 21, 2014, 5:50 pm

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(Feb 21, 2014 03:19 PM)Aur? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What are your computer specifications ?

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VIPR? - February 22, 2014, 10:51 am

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OK, don't laugh... too much ?

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Null Byte - February 22, 2014, 11:22 am

(Feb 22, 2014 11:51 AM)Monarche Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) OK, don't laugh... too much ?

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Yikes... Just looking at those specs makes me unconformable ?

You need a new computer!

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Excellent choice buddy ?

VIPR? - February 23, 2014, 2:05 am

(Feb 22, 2014 06:03 PM)Aur? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I stopped reading at DDR2 ?

Hahaha... I'm laughing with my specs too ???

What can I do else?! Really sucks.

HIGH PAID FELLA - June 29, 2014, 11:22 am

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Aura - June 29, 2014, 11:36 am

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If you need Antivirus recommendation, you know who to PM ?

Nov - June 29, 2014, 12:08 pm

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Aura - June 29, 2014, 5:37 pm

(Jun 29, 2014 12:08 PM)Nov Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks for the advice. I am torn between Kaspersky and ESET

The final decision will depends of your computer specs if you want to give me them ?

MD5 - September 16, 2014, 12:47 pm

New for me, I'll uninstall it now and get some other good ones.

Aura - October 1, 2014, 7:00 pm

(Sep 16, 2014 12:47 PM)? MD5 ? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) New for me, I'll uninstall it now and get some other good ones.

Let me know which one you got instead of MSE !

M e l l o - December 10, 2018, 5:30 am

thank you for that advice

biuxinh3 - July 3, 2019, 4:31 pm

Thanks very much for the information. Very helpful!