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Thread: [Bypassing Windows Spying Settings TUT \(No longer sending information to Microsoft\)](#)

Wirt - July 29, 2015, 8:35 am

Hey. So I know a lot of people are uneasy about all of this security/privacy non-sense where Win10 sends your information and stuff the Microsoft... well, there's a way to prevent that.

When installing Windows 10 and setting it up in the final stages, where it asks you to set up the settings, DO NOT CLICK "USE EXPRESS SETTINGS" click the option that says "Advanced" or similar in the bottom left corner. From there you can choose to not send Microsoft information regarding contacts and search history.

After you're finished installing, restart. Then run CMD Console as admin, and type these all in separately:

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sc delete DiagTrack
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sc delete dmwappushservice
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echo "" >
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C:\ProgramData\Microsoft\Diagnosis\ETLLogs\AutoLogger\AutoLogger-Diagtrack-Listener.etl
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and after you do that you can go to Settings --> Privacy and turn every off you don't want on.

Also, as a reminder, you can NOT use Cortana if you don't want Microsoft to have your information and search history and such.

Note: You can turn them ON after the installation is complete, but if you decide to turn them on for some reason, you can't turn them OFF again.

?Syria - July 29, 2015, 10:00 am

Thanks for this :)

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debug - July 29, 2015, 10:28 am

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Wirt - July 29, 2015, 12:18 pm

(Jul 29, 2015 10:00 AM)?Syriamanal Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks for this :)

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No problem

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Ah yes, thank you for your contribution

SIM-964740 - July 29, 2015, 5:36 pm

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lorikk - July 30, 2015, 8:48 am

There's a option aswell for that, under Settings - Privacy - General - and (Send microsoft info about how i write to help us improve typing and writing in the future.)

Wirt - July 30, 2015, 2:19 pm

I have updated the OP with some more information on disabling and removing the services.

Forc?d - July 30, 2015, 2:22 pm

(Jul 29, 2015 05:36 PM)Selcouth Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Oh no! Microsoft is sending bug reports to themselves to help improve the OS. This is such an invasion of privacy. They can see that Pornhub caused my system to crash :o

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SIM-2677866 - July 30, 2015, 3:33 pm

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Wirt - July 30, 2015, 3:44 pm

(Jul 30, 2015 03:33 PM)Jukez Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What if you already installed it with Express Settings?

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Most likely. Try it out and see.

SIM-2677866 - July 30, 2015, 3:44 pm

(Jul 30, 2015 03:44 PM)Litecoin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Most likely. Try it out and see.How am I supposed to know if they're spying on me lol

Wirt - July 30, 2015, 3:45 pm

(Jul 30, 2015 03:44 PM)Jukez Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) How am I supposed to know if they're spying on me lol
If you can turn them off in Settings --> Privacy and if you can do those commands in the CMD Console, then you're fine. ?

SIM-964740 - July 30, 2015, 3:49 pm

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Forced - August 1, 2015, 3:55 am

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I see your point of view but we have two major different ones.

Don't care if they get to store my school exam review report or something like that.

But the fact that they are allowing themselves to do it, is scary

What will we allow them to do in 2 years?