



Comodo Charts the Future of Desktop Computer Security by Making Prevention First Line of Defense

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Comodo's Firewall Pro with Host Intrusion Prevention (HIPS) Technology Unveils New Approach for Avoiding Dangerous Threats Such As Trojans that Turn PCs into "Bots" and Rootkit Infestations.

PR9.NET August 16, 2007 - Jersey City, NJ - As recently reported in ComputerWorld, ("How do I tell if my computer is a zombie"; July 24, 2007), it is becoming more difficult for consumers to know whether their computer has been comprised. "Through a virus or worm, a criminal takes over your PC, [and] it receives instructions over the Internet to mass mail spam, take down a company's network as part of a DDoS attack or log your keystrokes to gain access to your bank account". To combat this and other growing threats, the Comodo group of Internet security companies has innovated by introducing prevention-based technologies into their award-winning firewall that transforms desktop security from being "detection-based" to a "prevention-based" safeguard on a user's PC.

Comodo Firewall Pro V3.0 is expected to be widely available within a few weeks. This version introduces powerful new features that are typically only available in enterprise class solutions. Nevertheless, consistent with Comodo's strategy of offering the best in security solutions at no cost to consumers, this version will offered free for download.

Key new features include:

Host Intrusion Prevention System (HIPS) Application Control

Comodo Firewall Pro integrated HIPS technology whereas most often HIPS is only available as stand alone solution. Using HIPS, Comodo Firewall Pro can prevent spyware and malware from ever being installed on a user's PC. When activated, the user is warned EVERY time an unknown executable (.exe) attempts to run that is not found in Comodo's white list database. The user has the option to allow or block the application from running. This approach is only practical when used in conjunction with a comprehensive white list database that only allows safe and trusted programs from ever being installed on a PC.

Extensive and proprietary application white list

Comodo Firewall Pro includes a proprietary white list of safe executables that is continually updated and currently contains over 600,000 applications, making it one of the largest safe lists in the security industry. The integrity of every executable is checked against this database and Firewall Pro will alert users of potentially damaging applications before they are installed. In many cases, this proactive approach averts damage from viruses or rootkits not known to anti-virus software.

User Profiling Feature

Comodo Firewall Pro also creates a customized safe list profile of a user's applications using Comodo's white list database. Users can include their own "safe" (a.k.a. trusted) applications within this profile to allow custom programs to be installed. Once the profiling is finished, Comodo Firewall Pro will create a custom 'safe list' database that is unique to that user's PC.

Totally redesigned user interface

Users can control all aspects of the firewall's configuration with 3.0's sleek and intuitive design. Each module of the program can be easily accessed and configured from a single centralized location. The program provides an immediate 'heads-up' summary of the program's current configuration. There's no complex configuration or steep learning curves - just simple point and click deployment of high-grade security.

64 bit support

Next generation, 64 bit processors double the amount of data a CPU can process but very few security solutions have been adapted to cater to these new processors. Comodo Firewall Pro has been specifically designed to support these new processors.

Expertise and Support in Comodo Forum

The Comodo Forum offers both experienced and new users a wide depth of knowledge and support. In fact, the Forum has become a new and popular destination for people interested in online security and staying safe online and has topped over 25,000 active members. This Comodo community now rivals most of the largest and longest-established security forums.

Plug 'n protect

Although Comodo Firewall Pro delivers enterprise class protection, it is meant to be used "out of the box" with no required custom configuration. However, the control panel gives more sophisticated users the ability to configure the solution to meet their specific requirements.

To see what our users say, please visit http://www.comodo.com/products/forum_quotes_100.pdf.

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