

Outpost Firewall PRO 3.5 Datasheet

Finally, Internet security that really works

As the Internet continues to grow, so does the need to protect your digital assets. More users, more speed, more connectivity, more content, more e-businesses, more online communities – the opportunities afforded by today's Internet were unthinkable even five years ago. But the growth of the Internet's positive side has been accompanied by an equally significant growth of 'dark side' activities.

It's unfortunate, but no activity on the Internet is truly safe any more. Emailing has become a constant headache with its ubiquitous spam, worms, and viruses. Playing online games is fraught with risks of spyware infection and computer hijacking. PCs linked together, whether through LANs, P2P, or wireless networks, face the risk of a perimeter break-in. Even just browsing a website can silently and instantly infect a computer with spyware. Today, more than ever before, every connected computer needs the best protection possible.

- "This firewall offers the rare combination of a powerful feature set and an easy-to-use designs"

- [Download.com](#)

Outpost Firewall Pro 3.5 protects you from all kinds of Internet threats and ensures your computer stays healthy and safe at all times. Spyware becomes a thing of the past, automatically blocked from getting onto your PC in the first place. Hacker attacks can't get a foothold. Trojans and other illegal programs can't steal data from your computer, because only you can decide what information is allowed to be transmitted. Your surfing habits and your personal privacy are shielded from unauthorized prying eyes. With Outpost, you can finally relax and enjoy the best that today's Internet offers, safe in the knowledge you are protected from the worst.

Key benefits

Total protection, all the time

Outpost 3.5 locks the bad guys out of your PC, delivering total protection against the latest known and unknown (zero-day) attacks.

Your privacy is preserved

Outpost 3.5 shields you from identity theft – spyware can't phone home your personal data or surfing habits.

Your PC is under your control

Outpost 3.5 makes it easy for you to control which programs are allowed to access the Internet or communicate with other applications, and what information may never leave your computer.

It's easy to use

Most security problems happen when firewalls are wrongly configured – which happens all the time, because most are so complicated, you need to be an engineer to work out how to use them. Outpost 3.5, on the other hand, is so easy that you can have complete protection right out of the box. (Of course, if you are technically adept, you can tweak the settings as much as you want, too).

- "Best of its breed"

- [PC PRO Magazine](#)

Key features

Superior threat protection

Outpost 3.5 provides unbeatable protection against known and unknown online threats:

Hacker attacks

Hackers are developing new and more sophisticated attack tools every day, but Outpost's expanded Attack Detection plug-in, together with Outpost Stealth Mode protection, means your PC is invisible and impenetrable to any form of hack attack. Plus, the new Ethernet Protection module shields you from sniffing probes that intercept and steal content from chat sessions, while advanced anti-spoofing technology prevents your computer from being hijacked and used against its own network.

Spyware infestation

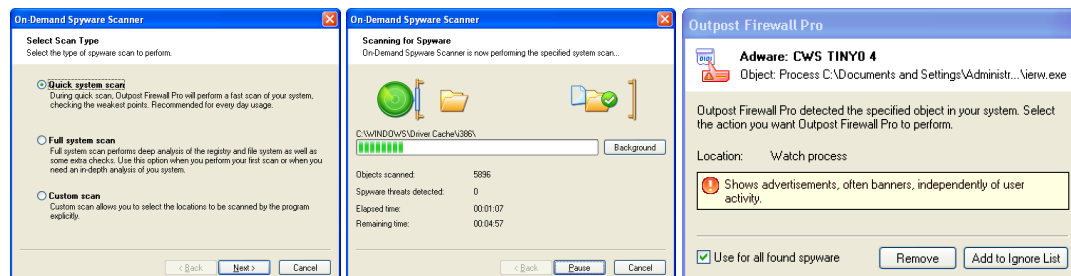
Spyware is the latest and, in many ways, the most dangerous Internet threat. Its creators target your personal information and sell it to unethical companies, who can then inundate your computer with unsolicited ads, pop-ups and hijacked homepages; it's also a primary source of identity theft. One of spyware's most devious techniques is to hide itself inside an innocent-sounding program - one that also may deliver other malware designed to hijack your computer into an army of botnets (or zombie computers) to raid the computers of other innocent Internet users.

Outpost 3.5's AntiSpyware Plug-in keeps your computer spyware-free by blocking the transmission of any specific confidential information you define and by detecting and removing every last trace of spyware code that may be hiding on your local drives, storage devices, or USB devices.

New in version 3.5 is the ability to ensure your computer maintains continuous spyware protection even if you've disabled active spyware monitoring for some reason. Outpost 3.5 checks all new connections proactively for spyware, keeping your data secure while using minimal PC resources – especially important when playing a demanding online game or running task-intensive video-editing software, for example.

- "...an instantaneous and complete feeling of security"

- [Lawrence Fleming,](#)
happy Outpost Firewall
Pro user in the US



Infected email attachments

Email is still the most common malware vector, or infection method. Outpost 3.5 automatically quarantines and renames all email attachments, giving your anti-virus software time to get the latest signature updates without any danger of your computer becoming infected.

Privacy protection

User privacy on the Internet is frequently ignored, even violated. Outpost 3.5 protects you from this unfortunate trend by:

Keeping your private information private

You can define individual words, phrases, numbers, or any other string of symbols that are never allowed to leave your computer in email messages, IM chat sessions, web forms or other electronic communications. This effectively keeps your most valued information protected from abuse and helps to prevent identity theft.

Preventing websites from tracking your browsing habits

Your surfing and online buying history is recorded by cookies as you travel around the web. Cookies do have their uses, helping sites like Amazon and Yahoo to deliver a personalized experience, and ethical websites abide by their privacy policies. Unfortunately, of course, there are unscrupulous sites that sell visitors' profiles to advertisers and spammers. Outpost 3.5 enables you to restrict the use of tracking cookies and other techniques used to aggregate data.

Blocking the launch of unauthorized tools and content

Outpost 3.5 selectively blocks ActiveX, Java and Visual BASIC scripts from launching within your browser. Not only does it let you control what content, ads, and personalization is used when you visit sites, it also serves as an additional security barrier to protect your operating system from vulnerability exploits.

Selective content control

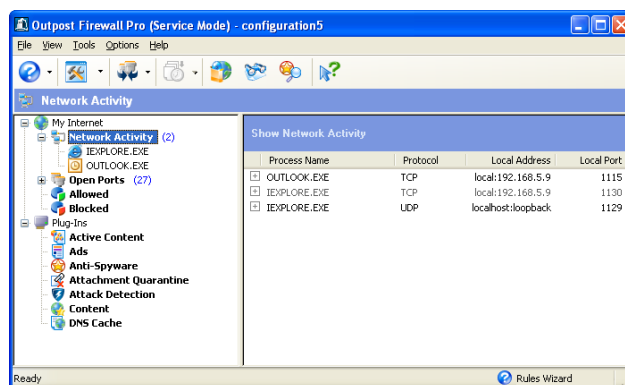
With Outpost 3.5, you can block the display of predefined text on all or specific web pages – very useful if you have children who need to be protected from viewing inappropriate content.

Powerful, easy to use controls

A wealth of control options and configuration settings is available with Outpost 3.5, where you can:

Monitor connectivity status

Outpost 3.5 lets you clearly see details of every connection (inbound and outbound) your computer makes as you and your applications travel around the web. Armed with this information, you can decide which connections are required and close those that aren't.



Configure application access permissions

With Outpost 3.5, you decide which programs are allowed to access the Internet and which are not. Access rules can either be created automatically or manually, using your personal selections.

Specify which sites and computers your computer can communicate with, and vice versa

You can easily configure which web sites your family members or employees may or may not go to with Outpost 3.5. Additionally, you can designate machines within your local network that can or cannot access or be accessed from your machine.

Maintain accurate records for tracking purposes

Outpost 3.5 records all Internet connections to the log files, along with more than a dozen other parameters, so you always have an up-to-date record of communications activities on your computer – particularly valuable if your computer is used by several different people.

With the new version 3.5, users can create optional logging parameters for specific activities, so that the log history delivers only what the user wants to see. Exclusions for NetBIOS and other traffic particularities are particularly useful for keeping logs clear of repetitive, uninformative clutter.

Unmatched usability

Outpost 3.5 continues Outpost's tradition of ease-of-use without sacrificing power or control. Now, you can:

Automatically generate and apply configurations

With the new ImproveNet service, users can opt to automatically download and apply new firewall configurations. ImproveNet is a network community that brings Outpost users and Agnitum engineers together to share configurations and enable everyone to benefit from universally-applicable Internet access security rules. By participating in the ImproveNet service, users can adjust their application access rules to protect against the latest threats. These settings are created, transferred and applied automatically, so that users no longer need to worry about how to respond to the next action prompt window – because ImproveNet adjustments mean that the window won't appear in the first place!

The principle behind the ImproveNet service lies in security experts evaluating the preset access rules in use by the community of Outpost Firewall Pro users. After the rule is checked for validity and approved, it is automatically distributed to all other users through the Agnitum Update tool. Because new rules are created and processed on a daily basis, users will have a continuously updated set of access rules for the majority of existing Internet-enabled programs, sparing themselves the need to manually create their own rules and removing the possibility of errors in rule structure and application.

- "Outpost Firewall Pro goes on, year after year, giving proof of its capability. It has become a multi-level security utility, now also integrating an anti-spyware filter"

- PC Expert magazine

- "We are happy to let you know that Outpost was chosen the best firewall software in the test. Our test is one of the most stringent available, and is solid proof of the quality of Outpost"

- Stiftung Warentest, a German center for independent quality assessment

Understand threats and react to details

Smart Advisor helps you to correctly configure the firewall rules, update schedules, program interdependencies and Internet access permissions. Plus, it displays hints in real time and advises what would be the best course of action if an unknown program tries to do something new. It's a valuable tool for anyone concerned about getting the best protection from their firewall, regardless of how much or little experience they may have.

System Requirements

Windows 98, Windows 98 SE, Windows NT 4, Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows 2003 Server
- Pentium II, Athlon or higher x-86 compatible processor
- 30MB of available hard disk space
- Minimum RAM: 32MB (Win 98/SE)