Every windows user has had to deal with spyware or they have no idea what spyware is or what is causing the popups, slowdowns and crashes. The only thing worse than trying to get rid of spyware if you don't know how to deal with it, adding insult to injury, is when you pay for what you think is the fix only to end up more infected in the end.

It is with that though that we are writing this. Our goal is to help as many people fix their systems as possible without requiring a service call. Not many shops share this info, but we are not like any other shop. If your not able to fix your problem we can do it for you remotely if your still online or just to busy, contact us if this works for you but otherwise download one of our recommended programs, update it and give it a scan. There are literally hundreds of thousands of spyware programs out there and because of this there is also hundreds if not thousands of Anti-Spyware programs out there. To make matters even worse there are many spyware programs that are portraying themselves as Anti-Spyware programs. Every few months we run into a really bad machine that requires more time and tools than all the others that have come before it and this week is proving to be one of those weeks.

So im going to start making a list of the programs we run to help clear up systems. We only test out new AntiSpyware programs when we run into a new infection nothing else will remove so seeing something not listed here should not be interpreted to mean the program doesnt work. We just havent tested it yet. This is honestly a very small list but each of these programs does a incredible job and using just these will clean up about 92% of the machines out there. For those that this does not fix all issues usually they are damaged enough that we just do a data recovery on them and do a full reinstallation.

We also are beginning to see companies offer a new kind of software for the blended threats. One of the best Anti-Spyware products we have used in the past was called Super Anti-Spyware. They offer a free 15 day professional version trial and it costs significantly less than most of their competitors. Cost is nothing though if it doesnt do a good job and in our tests not only did it do a great job, it was the only one to detect some special cases we setup just to see if we could trip it up. Well now they use less resources and its already one of our favorite products.

Here is our shortlist. {Anti-Spyware}

SuperAntiSpyware

MalwareBytes

RougeRemover

Spybot Search & Destroy

Ad-Aware SE Personal Edition

Viper

MS Windows Defender

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Grisoft AVG

Avast!

ClamWin

McAfee Stinger

Viper

SuperAntiSpyware
MalwareBytes
RougeRemover
Spybot Search & Destroy
Ad-Aware SE Personal Edition
Viper
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McAfee Stinger
Viper