

Virus Detection Software


As always, it is a good idea to update the virus protection software on your personal computer periodically to catch any new viruses lurking out there in cyber world. Since we have a volume license to **McAfee Virus Scan**, each student should have a copy of this software on his/her computer. **(It is free to C-K students so...No excuse not to have it!)**

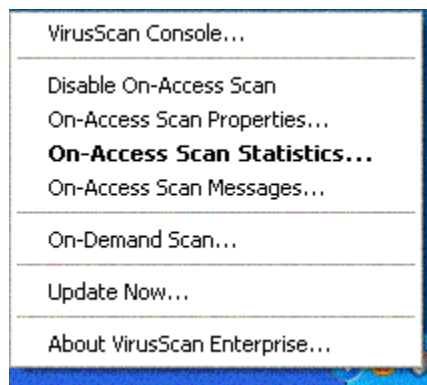
The Center for Law and Computers takes a proactive stance in trying to eradicate viruses by cleaning them as they come through our servers, we cannot protect each individual PC. We ask that you also be proactive to ensure that your PC does not become infected. Because there are new **virus outbreaks DAILY**, we want to stress the importance of having the latest virus protection software and updated virus definition (.DAT) files. We'd also like to remind you that regular virus scans of all drives (weekly, if possible) are necessary in order to detect and clean any viruses so they are not sent to friends and/or colleagues.

Chicago-Kent is licensed for and supports McAfee Virus Scan from Network Associates. According to information on their web site, there are over 50,000+ viruses out there and the potential for damage is continuous. We here at the Center for Law and Computers want to make sure you have the best possible protection for your PC. Please follow the instructions below to install the latest virus definition updates (.DAT files) for your McAfee software. If you do not have the McAfee Virus Scan software installed on your computer, please contact the Help Desk at (312) 906-5300 or e-mail helpdesk@kentlaw.edu to acquire the most recent instructions on how to download it to your system.

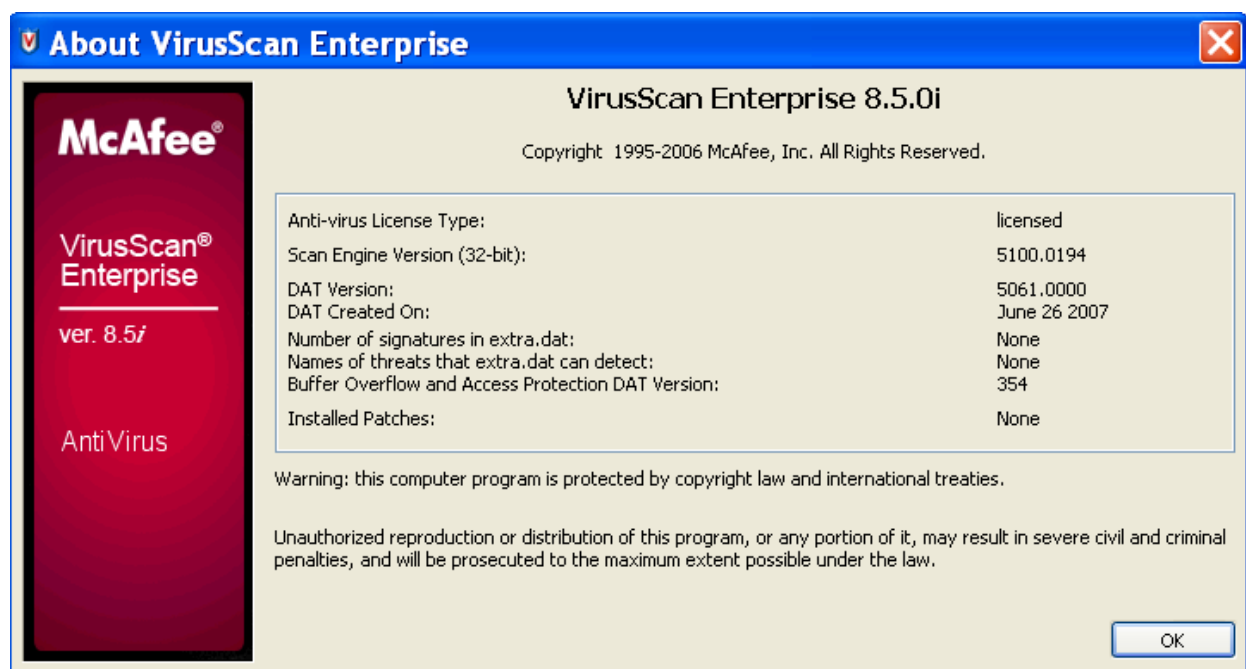
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FIRST: Check to see that you have a recent version of the virus scanning software on your computer.

You can do this by clicking on the small blue and red "VShield"  icon in the lower right corner of your screen with the right mouse button. When you do, a small menu will pop up. Select the "About VirusScan Enterprise" choice in this menu by clicking on it once with the left mouse button.



After clicking "About VirusScan Enterprise" you will get a box that displays several numbers. There are two important numbers that you should be concerned with. The first number is in boldface and located next to the phrase "VirusScan Enterprise" toward the top. This number tells you what version of the Virus Scan product or "engine" you are running. You should be running some version of 8.x for Windows 2000, Windows XP Professional, Windows Vista Ultimate, or Windows Vista Business. The second number you should be concerned with in the "About VirusScan Enterprise" box is the number next to the phrase "Virus definitions." The last four digits of this number tell you the version of the ".DAT" you are running. As an example, the picture below is from a PC that is running version 8.5.0i of the Virus Scan product and version 5061 of the virus definitions (.DAT files).



SECOND: Install the latest virus definition updates on your computer.

WARNING: These procedures may force a reboot of your computer. In order to avoid loss of data, close all programs before completing any of the following steps.

- While signed on to the C-K network, run the update with the following four steps:
- Click on the Windows "Start Menu" in the lower left hand side of your screen.
- Click on "Run" in the Start Menu.
- In the space next to the word "Open:" enter the following text, P:\Virus\Network\SDAT-Latest.lnk
- Once the "SuperDat" update program starts, click on "Next."

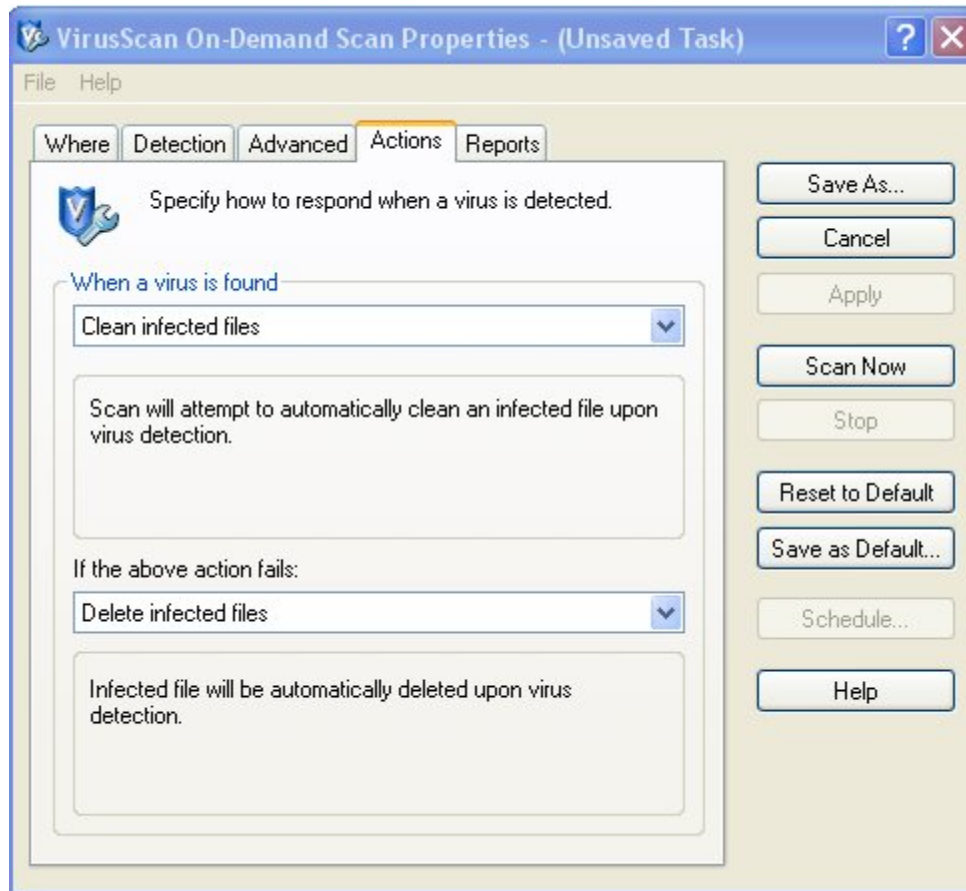
OR

- While signed on to the C-K network, run the update with the following three steps:
- Double Click on the folder named VirusUpdates located on your Desktop.
- Double Click on the file sdatXXXX.exe. Where XXXX is the number of the dat file.
- Once the "SuperDat" update program starts, click on "Next."

You may be prompted to restart your computer.

THIRD: Run a virus scan on your PC.

- Click on the **Start Menu** button.
- Click on "Programs".
- Click on "Network Associates"
- Drop down to "VirusScan On-Demand Scan".
- A window will open that gives you options to run a virus scan on your drives.
- Click on "Actions" tab
- Make sure the settings are configured as in the picture below:



- Click "Scan now."

This will begin the scanning process. It will check all the files on the drive you designated. It may take a few minutes to several hours depending on the speed of your computer and the number of files you have. Your patience will pay off; remember you will be preventing problems in the future.

NOTE: The above procedures can be used in the future to update your .DAT files.

A great source for additional information about viruses is the Network Associates Co-operate website:

<http://mcafeeb2b.com/>

As always, if you have questions or need additional assistance, please feel free to contact the Help Desk at (312) 906-5300.
