



What's new in Outpost Firewall Pro 2009 NY Edition

The huge increase in the number of programs, both legitimate and malicious, available to the average PC user has brought about significant changes to the software landscape of today's PCs. Process interactions and dependencies are becoming more complex and ubiquitous, intrusion techniques are evolving and becoming more destructive, and interoperability issues are becoming more of an issue every day. Add to this the splitting of operating systems into 32- and 64-bit versions and the constant patch and update cycle to keep up with application vulnerabilities, and you have the potential for a great deal of disruption for PC users.

Because the PC application and process landscape is always changing, security solutions must also be constantly making adjustments in order to stay effective and not interfere with normal PC operations. Outpost has always focused efforts on keeping up to date with the most recent changes, and the latest iteration of the program continues to improve on the performance, security, compatibility and convenience aspects of earlier versions.

Here's a quick overview of the latest updates:

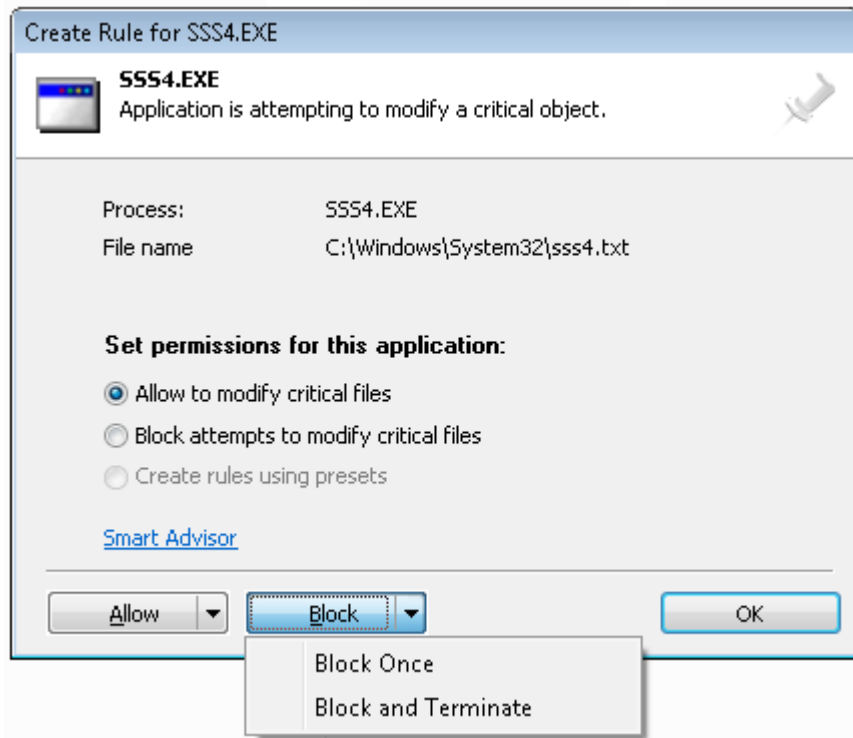
Security Enhancements

[Closer examination of auto-started objects](#)

Instances of suspicious program activity that are not identified as existing, known threats by Outpost's antispyware scanner are monitored by the new heuristic analyzer. The analyzer screens entries that are programmed to activate each time Windows starts up, examining particularly entries such as registry startups, services and drivers for the presence of suspicious patterns associated with malware. After sufficient markers have been verified to indicate a real risk, these entries are quarantined so that users are protected against the latest unknown threats.

[Extended leak prevention techniques](#)

To be effective, security solutions need to keep abreast of evolving threats. Outpost includes tools to address the latest intrusion techniques, adding protection against advanced breach and disruption attacks such as the illegal termination of vital processes and advanced interaction patterns.



Compatibility Improvements

[Improved 64-bit systems defense](#)

Windows x-64 systems impose a number of limitations on third-party security software. The latest release of Outpost extends the level of protection against potentially hazardous activity on these systems.

Control Enhancements

[Selectable components at install](#)

Responding to users' requests, Outpost offers users the choice of enabling individual protection components after installation. This customization allows unnecessary or duplicate functionality to be deactivated.

[Actionable alerts](#)

When an unknown application triggers a firewall alert, you can act directly upon it. In addition to creating a custom rule, you can add the target domain to a blocked addresses list or instantly terminate the suspicious application.

Performance Gains

[SmartScan 3 further optimizes spyware checks](#)

The SmartScan engine has gone through a number of optimizations in the quest to deliver the ultimate in spyware scan performance. This latest version improves on the scanning speed by skipping safe system files that contain digital signatures of trusted vendors. Such files are excluded from re-checking by both the on-demand and the resident malware scanners independently of the date of the last signature update.

BOTTOM LINE

Outpost has just got even better with its easily manageable, highly configurable protection that doesn't strain system resources. Give your computer what it deserves – comprehensive, reliable, highly effective protection that's easy to use. Download a [free evaluation copy](#) of Outpost today and say goodbye to the threats of tomorrow.