How to Disable Antivirus on Windows OS

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A. How to Disable Avast on Windows

Follow the below methods to disable complete Avast antivirus security or individual antivirus shields in Windows 10, Windows 8, or Windows 7 PC.

1. Disable Complete Avast Security on Windows

Step 1. Go to your Windows taskbar and right click on Avast's icon. Select *Avast! Shields control*.



Step 2. You will see four options with different time durations. They will be:

- Disable for 10 minutes
- Disable for 1 hour
- Disable until computer is restarted
- Disable permanently

Select the time duration which suits your need.



Step 3. When you click on your chosen time duration, the Avast antivirus will ask you for confirmation. Select *Yes.* It will disable your Avast antivirus temporarily for the selected duration.



- B. How to disable or turn off AVG antivirus.
- 1. For AVG antivirus software:
 - 1. **Right-click** the **AVG icon** in the system tray next to the clock.



2. Click "Temporarily disable AVG protection".

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3. Choose how long you want the protection to be disabled and whether to disable the firewall as well, and then click "**OK**".



- 4. You can also disable AVG from the "Advanced settings":
 - 1. Open the AVG Program.

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2. On the "Options" menu, click "Advanced settings".



3. Select "**Temporarily disable AVG protection**" in the menu on the left side.



4. Click the "Temporarily disable AVG protection" button.

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5. Choose how long you want the protection to be disabled and whether to disable the Firewall as well, and then click "**OK**".

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C. HOW TO DEACTIVATE / ACTIVATE AVIRA PROTECTION

- 1. Open the Avira Control Center
- **2.** Click on Extras \rightarrow Configuration

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3. Click on General → Advanced Protection and deactivate Enable Protection Cloud

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- 4. Close the window using the button OK
- 5. Restart your computer

ACTIVATE AVIRA PROTECTION CLOUD

If you like to use Avira Protection Cloud again, please follow the steps below to enable the feature again:

- 1. Open the Avira Control Center
- **2.** Click on Extras \rightarrow Configuration



3. Click on General → Advanced Protection and activate Enable Protection Cloud

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4. Close the window using the button OK

D. TURN OFF KASPERSKY FIREWALL



E. FOR McAfee ANTIVIRUS:

- 1. Double-click the McAfee icon in the System Tray. This is located in the lower-right corner of the desktop. The icon looks like an "M" in a red shield.
- 2. Click "Real-Time Scanning". This button is located at the top of the window, underneath the green banner. By default, it will say "On".
- 3. Disable Real-Time Scanning. When you click the button, you will be given the option to disable the real-time scanning.
- 4. Set how long you want it disabled.

F. FOR PANDA ANTIVIRUS

- 1. Click "Antivirus" in the main window of the program.
- 2. On the left-hand side of the window, make sure the "Known viruses" option is selected.
- 3. If you want to enable the protection against known threats, set the control to the "ON" position. ...
- 4. Click "OK".

FOR AVAST ANTIVIRUS

- 1. Click the small triangle on your Windows task-bar to open the notification area.
- 2. Click "Avast shields control".
- 3. After selecting the option, you will be prompted to confirm the operation.

G. FOR NORTON ANTIVIRUS

- 1. Click the small triangle on your Windows task-bar to open the notification area. Right-click the Norton Antivirus icon for a list of options related to the security suite.
- 2. Click "Disable Smart Firewall" to temporarily shut down the firewall.

H. FOR KASPERSKY ANTIVIRUS

1. Open Kaspersky Anti-Virus 2015.

- 2. At the bottom of the main application window, click "Settings".
- 3. If the application is password-protected, in the "Settings" window enter the password and select the "Save password for current session" check box. Click "Continue".
- 4. In the "**Settings"** window, go to the "**General** section and turn off the button (move the button to the left side) in "**Protection"** section in the right frame.

I. FOR WEBROOT ANTIVIRUS

- 1. Locate the SecureAnywhere icon in your system tray.
- 2. Right-click the system tray icon and select "Shut down Protection".
- 3. A prompt confirming whether you want to shut down appears. Click "Yes".
- 4. Depending on your settings, you may have to complete a CAPTCHA for confirmation as well.

J. Steps to disable Quick Heal Antivirus

1. Right on the Quick Heal icon **Q** from the tray and select "Disable Virus Protection" as shown below.



2. Select the option "Turn on after next reboot" as shown below.



3. To re-enable Quick Heal Virus protection, select "Enable Virus Protection" after the completion of Online Test(s).

