

Why Your Computer Needs Regular Virus and Malware Scans

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Keeping Your Computer Safe in Today's Online World

In today's connected world, cyber threats are more advanced and aggressive than ever. Every time you browse the web, open an email, or plug in a USB drive, your computer is exposed to potential risks — viruses, spyware, ransomware, and other malicious software that can steal data, damage your files, or even lock you out of your own system.

The good news is that these threats can be prevented. Regular malware scans and real-time protection are essential parts of keeping your system secure, reliable, and running smoothly.

Understanding the Threats

Not all malicious software behaves the same way. Knowing the difference helps you understand why regular scanning is critical:

- **Viruses:** Infect files and spread through your computer, causing slowdowns, errors, or data corruption.
- **Malware:** A broad term that includes all malicious programs designed to harm or exploit your system.
- **Spyware:** Secretly monitors your activity, collecting personal or financial information.
- **Ransomware:** Locks your files and demands payment to restore access — one of the fastest-growing cyber threats.
- **Adware and PUPs:** Flood your screen with unwanted ads or install extra software that slows your computer down.

Even careful users can become victims. Malicious code often hides in trusted-looking websites, email attachments, or software downloads — which is why scheduled scanning is so important.

Why Regular Scanning Matters

- **Early Detection Saves Data:** Frequent scans catch threats before they can encrypt or delete important files.
- **Better Performance:** Malware consumes system resources. Removing infections restores speed and stability.
- **Protection from Identity Theft:** Many modern threats target stored passwords, banking information, and emails.
- **Peace of Mind:** Knowing your computer is clean and secure lets you work or browse without worry.
- **Compliance and Reputation:** For business users, regular scans help meet data protection standards and maintain customer trust.

How Often Should You Scan?

- **Quick Scans:** Run daily or automatically in the background. They check key system areas for active threats.
- **Full Scans:** Perform weekly or bi-weekly. These deeper scans inspect every file, folder, and drive on your computer.
- **Real-Time Protection:** This should be active 24/7 to block threats before they can infect your system.

Consistency is key. Even the best antivirus software can't protect you if it's never run.

Why We Recommend Malwarebytes

At **Lima Computer**, we're proud to be a licensed reseller of Malwarebytes, a trusted leader in cybersecurity software.

In our professional opinion, **Malwarebytes is the best antivirus and anti-malware solution available today** — offering exceptional real-time protection, intelligent scanning, and minimal system impact. It detects threats that traditional antivirus programs often miss, including modern ransomware and zero-day exploits.

We can help you choose the right version for your needs — whether you're protecting a home computer, a small business, or multiple devices — and we'll install and configure it properly for maximum protection.

Protect Your Investment — and Your Privacy

Your computer stores your work, photos, passwords, and personal data — things that can't easily be replaced.

Running regular scans and using proven software like **Malwarebytes** is a simple, cost-effective way to keep your system safe, fast, and dependable.

Don't wait for a problem — prevent it.

Contact **Lima Computer** today for a professional malware scan or Malwarebytes installation.

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