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Topic: F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions? (Read 3756 times)

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**F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions?**

« on: 2010-12-24, 10:46:54 »

Hello!

believe it or not, f-prot dos version is still **very useful** for people that happen to have their old backups from the DOS era and dig in the past... F-PROT for DOS works fine for checking those annoying viruses but unfortunately if it sees a 2010 date on the pc then it complains that the definitions are too old and just quits... is there a way to disable this and force the scan anyways? The latest definitions that ship with it are 2006 ones and are just fine for detecting old viruses on stuff that where archived before 2000 😊

And yes I run it on a dos-only pentium1 machine.

Thanks for any help!



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**Re: F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions?**

« Reply #1 on: 2010-12-25, 15:40:07 »

Hi keropi 😊

I dug this up again and here: To start F-PROT.exe (DOS), run it with /OLD to bypass the date checks. Also, in case this is a newer machine and no 3.5" floppy drive is installed, use the /NOFLOPPY option.

These options, and many more, are described when you run F-PROT with the /HELP option in the command prompt.

Best regards and merry Xmas 😊

Finnbogi



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**Re: F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions?**

« Reply #2 on: 2010-12-25, 18:42:33 »

Just out of curiosity, can F-PROT DOS use newer signature definition files than those mentioned above from 2006 which shipped with it?

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I strongly suggest that you also consult the official F-prot Antivirus Support Center / Knowledgebase on the support dot f-prot dot com website.

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**Re: F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions?**

« Reply #3 on: 2010-12-26, 12:36:18 »

The last definition files we created that were compatible with F-Prot for DOS 3.16f are from beginning of February 2009. They still contain less number of signatures and heuristics than version 6's Antivir.def from the same date.

Here's a download link to the LAST F-Prot for DOS 😊

https://forum.f-prot.com/public/fprot_dos_316f.zip

Best regards,
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**Re: F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions?**

« Reply #4 on: 2010-12-26, 16:18:52 »

Quote from: Frammi on 2010-12-26, 12:36:18

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Thanks for your very quick reply!!!!

I was thinking that I could install DOS 6.22 on a very old laptop with only 1GB RAM and use it for storage/backup purposes but I can see from the info above that this wouldn't be a good idea.

In another thread this year there is a question about 3.16g - it is explained that "there was a version dubbed 3.16g, but that was an update to the Windows driver to be able to load DEF files larger than 16 MB".

From the above I understand that this update has no relevance for use with DOS.

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Re: F-PROT DOS: any way to bypass date check of definitions?

« Reply #5 on: 2010-12-26, 20:52:18 »

thanks Finnbogi ,I can't believe I missed the /old switch!!! 🤪
also thanks for the updated version link , this will come handy! 🤪
merry xmas and a happy new year! 🤪

I will bring the news to my fellows on the VOGONS forum (dosbox and old-pc-users forum) as f-prot is actually a DOS antivirus that works and can disinfect files instead of deleting them 🤪

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