

Microsoft Safety Scanner step by step guide

The Microsoft Safety Scanner is a free downloadable security tool that provides on-demand scanning and helps remove viruses, spyware, and other malicious software. It works with your existing antivirus software.

Note: The Microsoft Safety Scanner expires 10 days after being downloaded. To rerun a scan with the latest anti-malware definitions, download and run the Microsoft Safety Scanner again.

The Microsoft Safety Scanner is not a replacement for using an antivirus software program that provides ongoing protection.

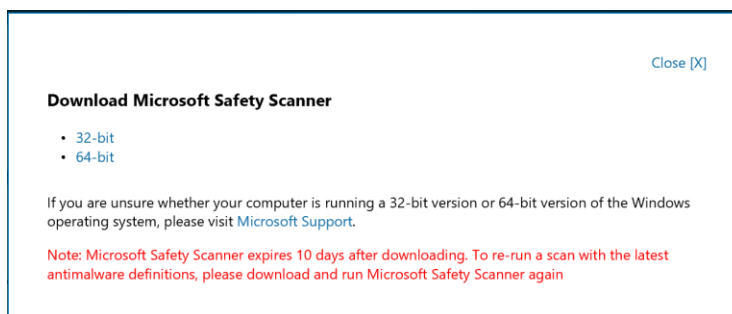
For real-time protection that helps to guard your home or small business PCs against viruses, spyware, and other malicious software, download [Microsoft Security Essentials](#).

Download Microsoft Safety Scanner

1. Visit <https://www.microsoft.com/security/scanner/en-hk/default.aspx>
2. Click on "Download Now"



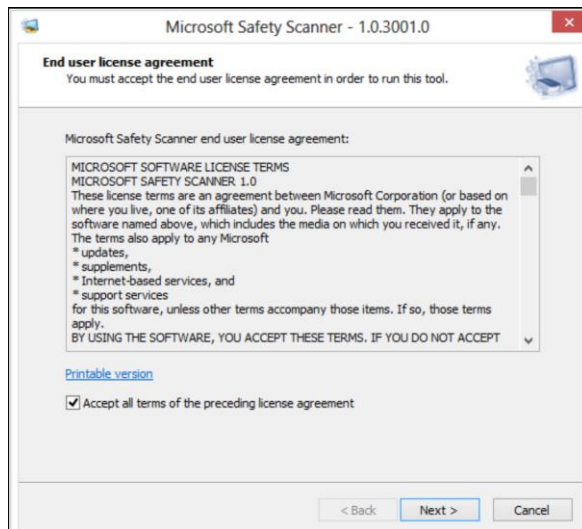
3. Choose your version: 32-bit or 64-bit



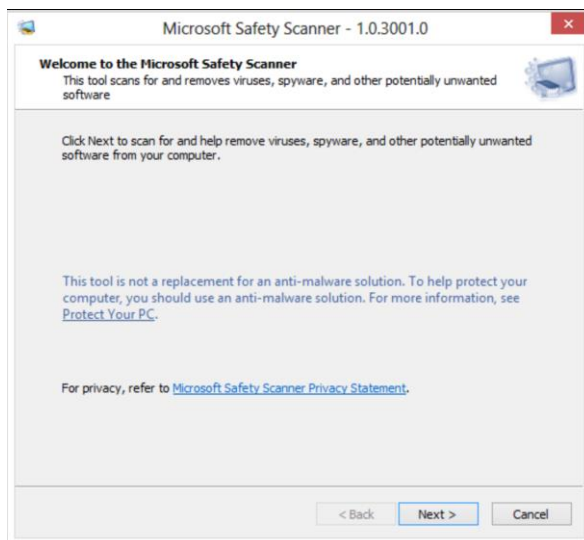
Running Microsoft Safety Scanner

Upon downloading the tool, users are prompted with three different scan options: quick scan, full scan or customized scan. A quick scan will scan the memory, registry and areas on the system most likely to have malicious code like viruses, spyware or computer worms. A full scan on the other hand includes all the items scanned in a quick scan plus a scan of all your files in your fixed drives. A custom scan runs a quick scan and includes any additional files specified.

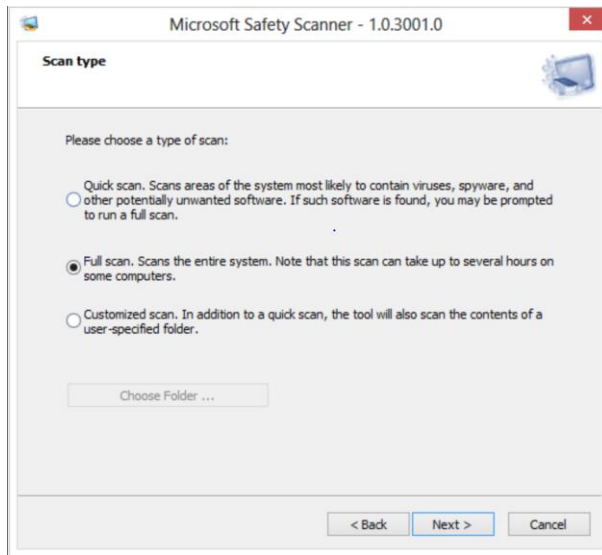
1. Double-click on "msert.exe"
2. When you go through User Access Control, you will notice the question is "Do you want to allow this app to make changes to your device", Click "Yes"
3. In "End User License Agreement", Check "Accept terms of the preceding license agreement" and click "Next"



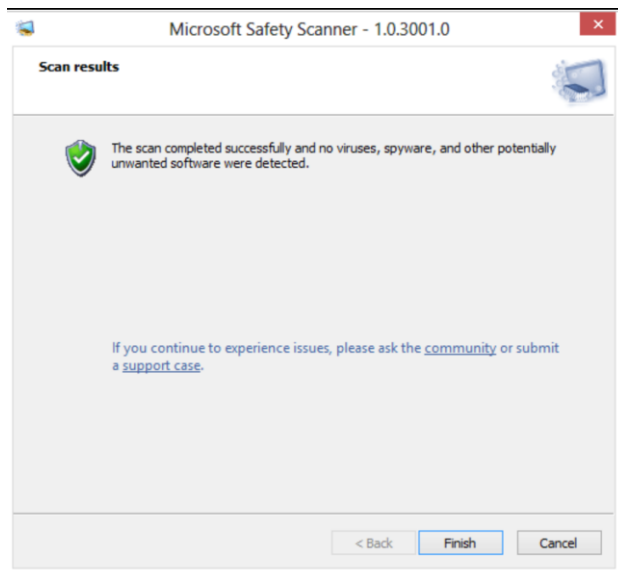
4. Under "Welcome to the Microsoft Safety Scanner", Click "Next":



5. Under "Scan Type", Choose "Full Scan" and click "Next":



6. Click "Next" if there are no malware found in your device:



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