

Security Concerns Regarding High Speed Internet Connections:

Computers, or PCs, connected to the Internet today are vulnerable to viruses and spyware, unless some actions are taken to protect them. Firewalls, anti-virus programs, and anti-spyware programs are all used to do this. While Eastern Oregon Telecom scans your @eotnet.net email for spam and viruses, via GreyMail automatically, your individual PC is still vulnerable from attacks from malicious software, viruses and spyware. Having the mentioned programs above installed, and up-to-date, help protect your computer and its valuable data safe from malicious software.

Some security concerns can also be satisfied by simply keeping the operating system (Windows 98, XP etc) up-to-date. After opening Internet Explorer, click on Tools, Windows Update. Follow the prompts until there are no more updates available. This in itself keeps your PC running faster smoother and more secure. Microsoft® provides free updates to many of the latest operating systems. Some newer PCs are automatically setup to check for, and install, any new updates available.

There are many buyable and free products on the market. Below is a list, in no particular order, of software you can purchase to help make your PC more safe and secure. You can also find free software available for download on the Internet. Many of the below products can be purchased at any local retailer that sells computer software.

Buyable Software:

Firewalls:

[Norton™ Personal Firewall™](#)
[Norton™ Internet Security™](#)
[McAfee® Internet Security Suite®](#)

Anti-Virus:

[Norton™ Internet Security™](#)
[Norton Antivirus™](#)
[McAfee® VirusScan®](#)
[eTrust® EZ Antivirus](#)

Free Software:

Firewalls:

[ZoneAlarm®](#)

Anti-Virus:

[AVG Antivirus](#)

Anti-Spyware:

[Microsoft® Windows® Defender](#)
[Spybot - Search & Destroy](#)

[Ad-Aware® SE Personal](#)

Eastern Oregon Telecom is not affiliated with, nor do we necessarily support the above mentioned products. Please refer to the manufacturer's website or technical support for further support or troubleshooting with any of these products.

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