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10 Steps to setting up your new computer

You just got a new computer. It could be your very first computer, an additional computer, or a replacement computer.

You've just opened it and you are excited about getting connected to the Internet and taking it for a test drive.

STOP!

There are a few things you should do to make sure your new computer is protected for the junk that is floating around the Internet, like viruses and spyware, before you get started.

These steps and instructions are generic in nature. Some computer companies that install Microsoft Windows also install a stable of other software of their choosing. There is no way that I can know exactly what is on your computer when you open it. Please take your time and read everything when setting up your computer. You should also have a pen and paper handy so you can write down any errors if they should occur. Getting help from our forums and other places is easier when you have this information.

In addition, find a safe place to place all of the booklets and disks that came with it, like a shoe box.

The following steps will require you do download some files and put them on a CD. If you already have another computer in the house with Internet access and CD burner, great, you're ready to continue. If you do not have another computer in the house, you might have to use a friend or relative's computer.

The first thing to do is download the following from www.savemybutt.com. The files are in the menu on the left side of the screen.

1. Microsoft Anti-Spyware
2. Ad-Aware
3. Spybot Search and Destroy
4. Spyware Blaster
5. AVG Anti-Virus (Only if your new computer did not come with an antivirus)

Now save those files to a CD.

Take your new CD to the new machine and install all of the software listed above except the antivirus is one already exists.

There are three more things to do before you connect to the Internet for the first time.

1. If you are using a DSL or Cable connection to the Internet, make sure you have your User Name and Password so you can log in.
2. Make sure you have turned on the Windows Firewall.
3. Make sure you have turned on Windows Automatic Update.

Now you are ready to connect to the Internet.

If you have a router, like a Linksys, Netgear, or D-Link, connected to your DSL or Cable Modem, all you have to do is plug into it with an ethernet cable.

If you do not have one of the devices listed above you will probably need to log into your ISP before you can browse the Internet. This is usually done using the software your ISP provides you. But, you don't want or need that software.

Instead, follow the basic instructions to create a PPPoE Connection using Windows XP later in this guide.

Once you have made your connection to the Internet, run the new software I asked you to install and update it right away.

Now, you can finish activating Windows if you are required to do so by clicking Start > Accessories > System Tools > Activate Windows. Follow the instructions on the screen.

If you have any questions about setting up the computer, please post it at the Community Forums at Savemybutt.com.

Create a PPPoE Connection using Windows XP

Open the **Control Panel** and go to **Network Connections**.


Now click on **New Connection Wizard**.



Click **Next**. Click the **Connect To The Internet** circle and click **Next**.

New Connection Wizard

Network Connection Type
What do you want to do?




- Connect to the Internet**
Connect to the Internet so you can browse the Web and read email.
- Connect to the network at my workplace**
Connect to a business network (using dial-up or VPN) so you can work from home, a field office, or another location.
- Set up a home or small office network**
Connect to an existing home or small office network or set up a new one.
- Set up an advanced connection**
Connect directly to another computer using your serial, parallel, or infrared port, or set up this computer so that other computers can connect to it.

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Click the **Setup my connection Manually** circle and click **Next**.

New Connection Wizard

Getting Ready
The wizard is preparing to set up your Internet connection.



How do you want to connect to the Internet?


- Choose from a list of Internet service providers (ISPs)**
- Set up my connection manually**
For a dial-up connection, you will need your account name, password, and a phone number for your ISP. For a broadband account, you won't need a phone number.
- Use the CD I got from an ISP**

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Click the **Connect using a broadband connection that requires a username and password** circle and click **Next**.

New Connection Wizard

Internet Connection
How do you want to connect to the Internet?




- Connect using a dial-up modem**
This type of connection uses a modem and a regular or ISDN phone line.
- Connect using a broadband connection that requires a user name and password**
This is a high-speed connection using either a DSL or cable modem. Your ISP may refer to this type of connection as PPPoE.
- Connect using a broadband connection that is always on**
This is a high-speed connection using either a cable modem, DSL or LAN connection. It is always active, and doesn't require you to sign in.

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Type the name of your ISP and click **Next**.

New Connection Wizard

Connection Name
What is the name of the service that provides your Internet connection?



Type the name of your ISP in the following box.

ISP Name


The name you type here will be the name of the connection you are creating.

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Type in your User Name once and your password twice. Check the two boxes as you see fit and then click **Next**.

New Connection Wizard

Internet Account Information
You will need an account name and password to sign in to your Internet account.



Type an ISP account name and password, then write down this information and store it in a safe place. (If you have forgotten an existing account name or password, contact your ISP.)

User name:

Password:

Confirm password:

Use this account name and password when anyone connects to the Internet from this computer

Make this the default Internet connection

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If you want a shortcut to this connection on your desktop, check the box on the next screen and click on **Finish** to complete your PPPoE connection to the Internet.

