

# Windows XP firewall is useless

My brother sent me an interesting email today. It doesn't totally surprise me.

“ By adding a new key to the registry in *HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE / SYSTEM / Services / SharedAccess / Parameters / FirewallPolicy / StandardProfile / AuthorizedApplications / List* you can circumvent the whole purpose of the firewall with out the user's interaction or knowledge. Spyware & Adware manufacturers already do this.

More information and a little rant at:

<http://habaneronetworks.com/viewArticle.php?ID=144>

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