

## Corporate Anti-Virus Service

Internet borne viruses are a constant and increasing threat to corporate network security, expected to rise by 234% in the next 12 months.

Email viruses move around in email messages, usually replicating themselves by automatically mailing themselves to all of the contacts in the victim's email address book. Viruses can cause huge levels of destruction. Moving quickly, they affect other machines across computer networks, destroying files and restricting bandwidth.

The costs of virus-protection are now significant when you combine the both the cost of maintenance time and the expense of anti-virus software itself.

Viruses bring a host of administrative headaches and software conflicts, along with reduced system performance. Despite this most organisations still rely on maintenance intensive desktop anti-virus software. This effectively puts network security in the hands of the end user. All they need to do is open a copy of an infected .exe email attachment, for example, and a virus can stay on your server to re-infect again and again. Your system will then be a base for infecting people you email, including your clients and suppliers !

The best way of stopping a virus from spreading is to intercept it before it ever reaches you. Link-Connect's Corporate Anti-Virus service does just that. It stops viruses before they get to your user's desktop and before they can infect your network.

### How does it work?

The Link-Connect Corporate Anti-Virus Service is a server-based virus-protection system that scans all incoming and outgoing e-mail for viruses. Viruses get blocked before they ever get to user machines. Your e-mail is redirected through our server, both inbound and outbound. You receive e-mail that's free of known viruses and you can be assured that you are not emailing anything untoward to anyone else.

Because this is a server-side application, Link-Connect runs, maintains and updates the software for you. You have no software on your system to slow down workstation performance. When a virus is discovered, it is automatically quarantined with the email it came with. The sender then receives an email warning that they have just sent a virus. The recipient also receives a notice that a virus has been intercepted.

### What are the benefits?

- Cost effective. Server based scanning can eliminate 99.9% of your e-mail virus problems and reduce your overall anti-virus maintenance costs at the same time.
- Our virus server is automatically updated to protect against new viruses so you have no need to keep up with the latest downloads.
- Always on, 24 x 365 protection.
- Externally controlled. Users & administrators cannot disable the protection on their own.
- You have no desktop software to run, update, or worry about.
- Firewall friendly. The service does not affect any firewall that you may have.
- System friendly. It works for you no matter what email system or operating system you may be running.

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