



Avast

Installation & Operation

Avast Free Antivirus 2016 offers an antivirus and anti-malware protection, along with features you're most likely to need, but would rather not think about - like one-click system checks, and unwanted toolbar removal.

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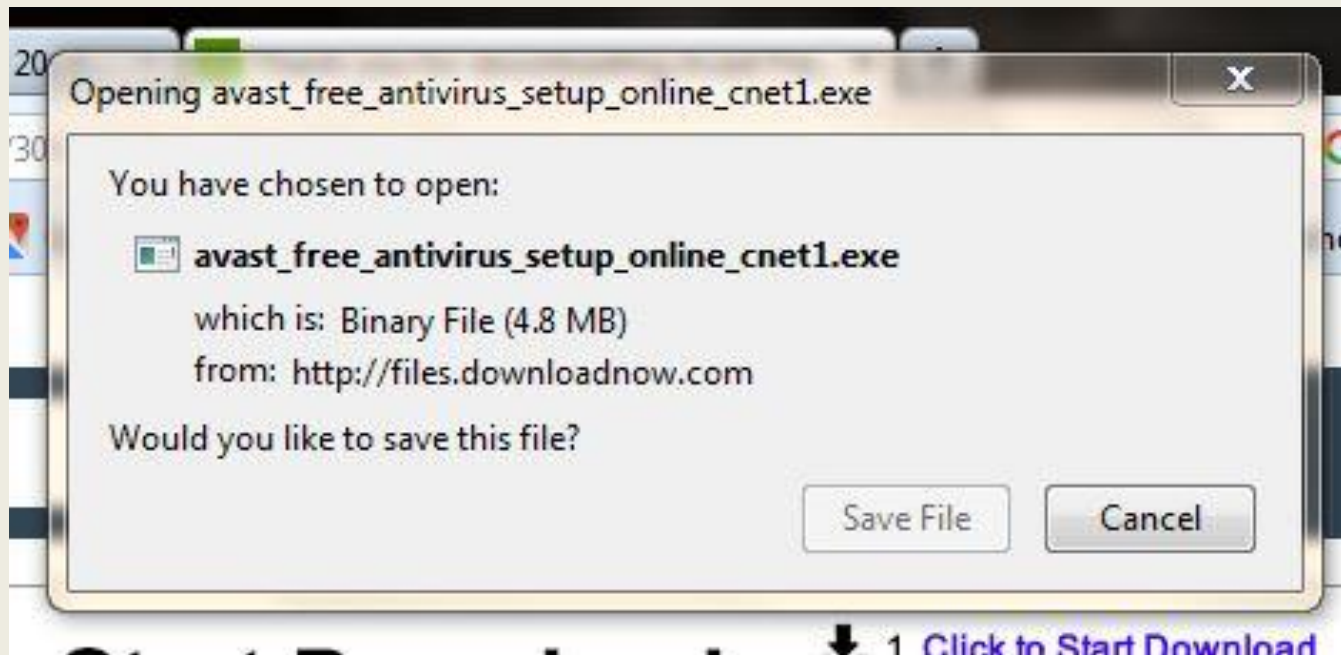


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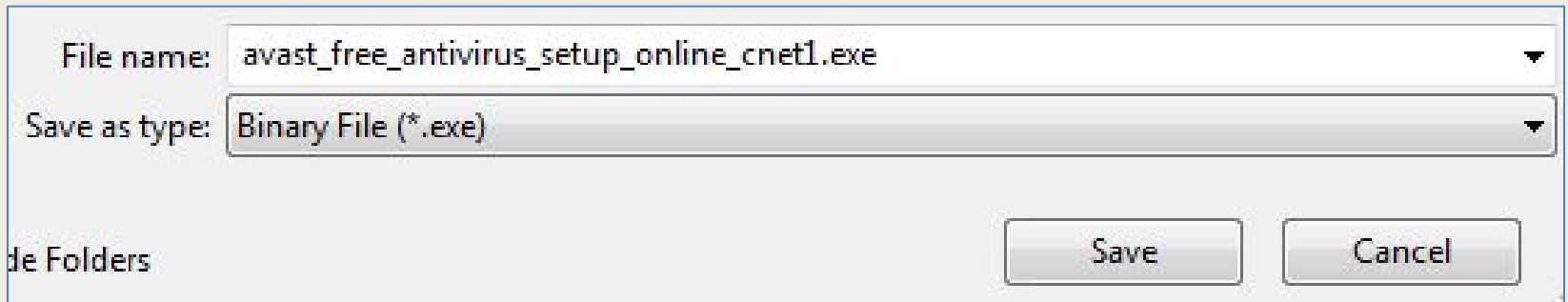
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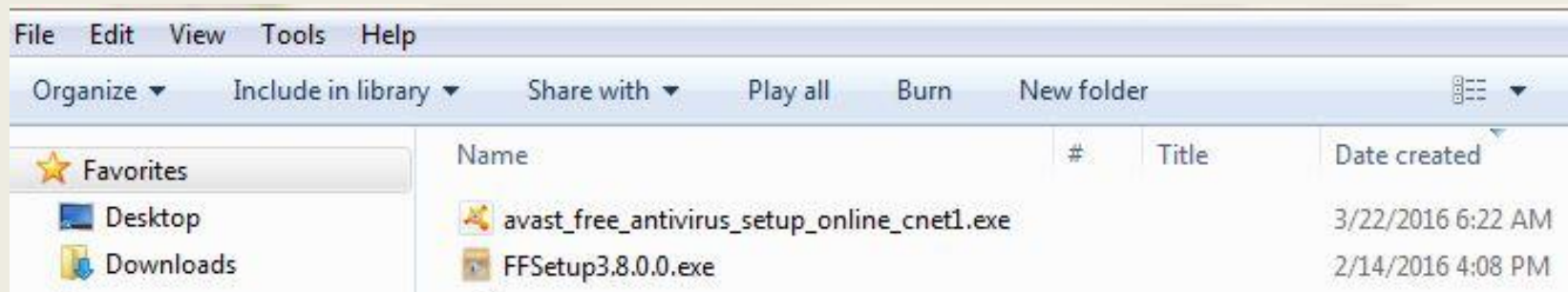
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Your computer will save the executable setup file.

Double click on this file below to begin the installation.



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End User License Agreement

Install

Customize

Install Google Chrome, a fast, free web browser

- Faster access to your favorite sites
- Easier searches with Google built into the address bar
- Stable and secure

- Yes, also install the Google Chrome web browser
- Make Google Chrome my default browser



By installing Google
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Uncheck the 2 boxes above before you proceed.
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Select **Customize** ,
not Install

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Let Avast be loaded in the default directory as above.
Uncheck the boxes above as the picture shows.

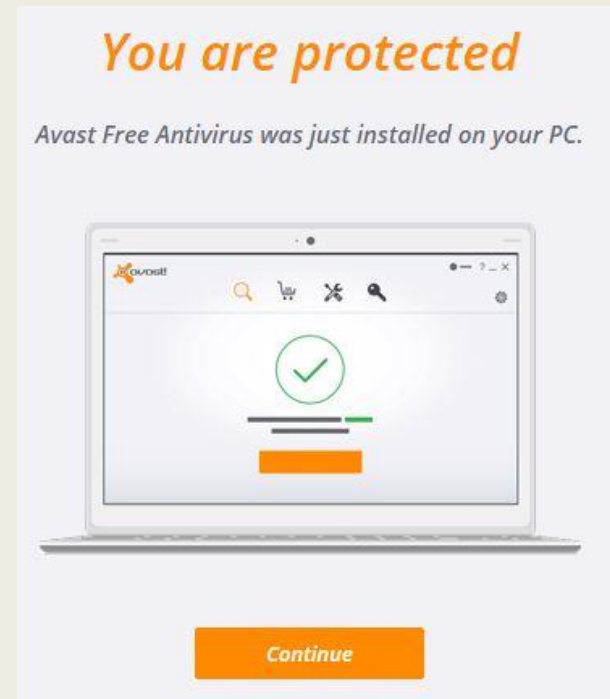
Then click on **Install** to proceed.



Let Avast install itself while leaving the computer on. It may take a few minutes



Installation is complete when you get this message



Please don't skip this

Read carefully

Nearly every software product you use collects information about you. Search engines, games, everything. We do the same. This allows us to provide better products and services for you. But we promise to respect your privacy. We also promise that we will never publish or share any of your personal information outside Avast, nor allow anyone else to use it to contact you for marketing purposes without your consent.

We do use the information that we collect to help us understand new and interesting trends. We may share this information with third parties outside Avast. However, before we do that, we will remove anything that identifies you personally. For more information, read our [Privacy Policy](#).

If after installing this product, you'd prefer not to participate in data sharing with Avast and third parties, you can opt-out at any time by unchecking the 'participate in data-sharing' box in the settings.

Continue

You can read thru this typical disclaimer if you wish.
Click **Continue** to proceed with the final setup.

Protect your mobile, too.

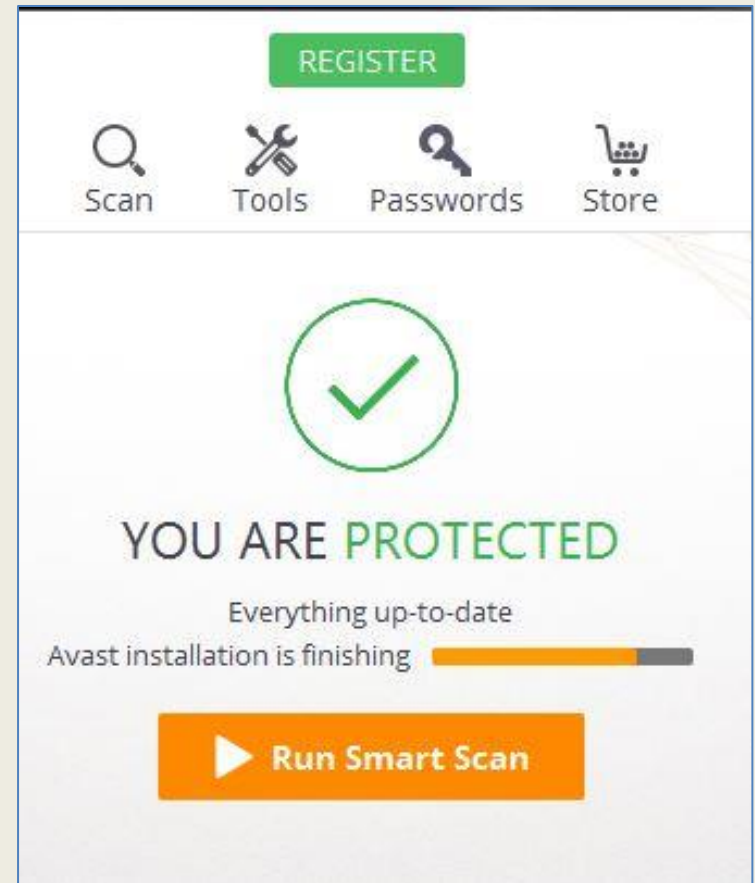
Scan and remove all threats, protect your phone while surfing, or check Wi-Fi networks for vulnerabilities.



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No, I don't want to protect my Android phone

Click the hyperlink
No, I don't want to protect phone
to proceed with the setup



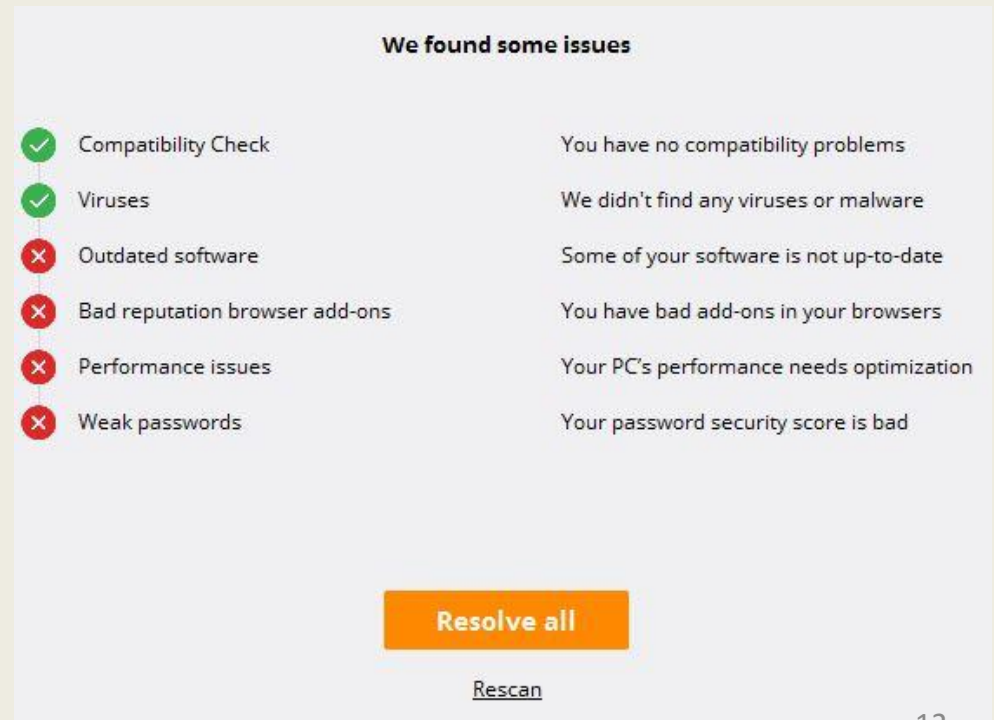
Click
Run smart Scan
to clean up any software
drivers that are out of date

Smart Scan



Avast will scan your PC to check for viruses, outdated software, and any other upgrades needed. Only need to do this the 1st time.

Avast will report on findings
Click on Resolve All to proceed with the fixes.



These programs are not up-to-date. We recommend that you update them.



WinRAR Archiver (32 Bit)

Update



VLC Media Player (32 Bit)

Update



Java Runtime Environment 8 (32 Bit)

Update



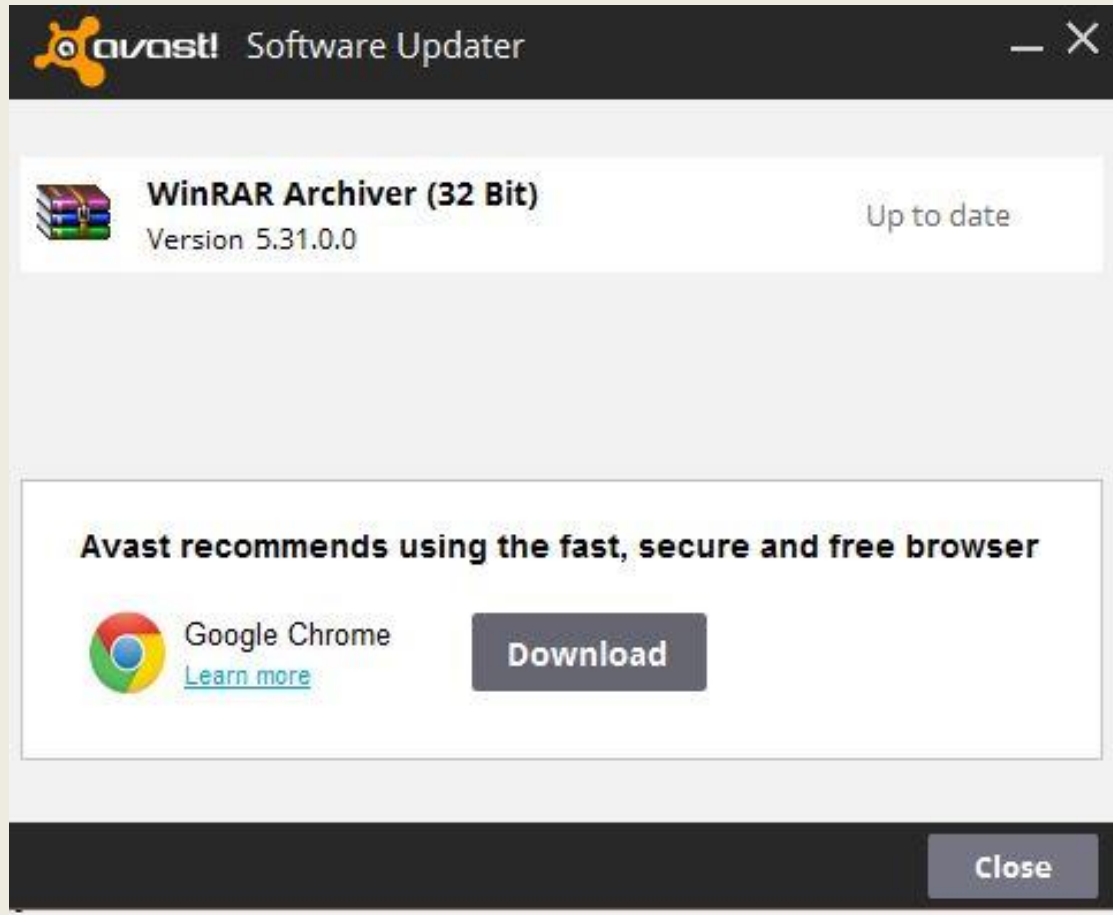
Skype

Update



[Skip](#)

This is a typical report –
Click on **Update** for each item to be resolved.



After each item is separately updated, you will see a message like above. **Do Not bother** with other Avast recommendations like installing Google. Not necessary

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Internet Explorer

Continue addressing the items one by one.

Step 2/4: **Bad reputation browser add-ons**



Contribute Toolbar



[Ignore](#)

[Remove](#)

[Remove all](#)

[Back](#)

[Skip](#)

Skip any Toolbar items

Step 3/4: Performance issues

Speed up your PC in minutes with [Avast Cleanup](#), our most advanced optimization tool.

We found performance issues on your PC:



System settings

Tweak system settings to increase the speed of your PC

Not resolved

296 MB

Junk files

Free up space on your hard drive by deleting unneeded junk files

Not resolved



Unnecessary apps

Disable unnecessary apps to make your PC start up much faster

Not resolved

Resolve

[Back](#) [Skip](#)

Skip these pages
as it requires
you to pay for
that feature.
Not necessary

PC optimization tool

Faster
start up

Less
crashing

Easy
optimization


More
disk space


Better
performance

2 Years

\$1.89 / month

Activate

Billed as \$45.36 / 2 Years

1 Year

\$1.99 / month

Activate

Billed as \$23.88 / 1 Year

3 Years

\$1.69 / month

Activate

Billed as \$60.84 / 3 Years

30-DAY MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

Step 4/4: Weak passwords

Did you know saving your passwords on your browser isn't safe?



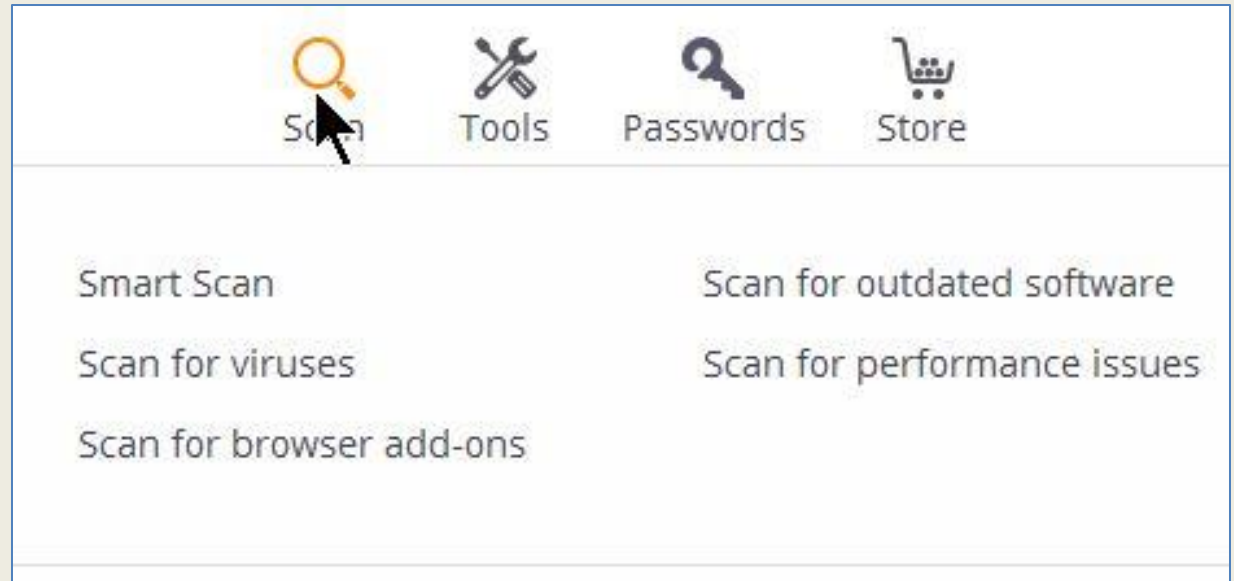
Passwords stored on your browser: 13

Let us scan your passwords for other weak points.

Check my passwords

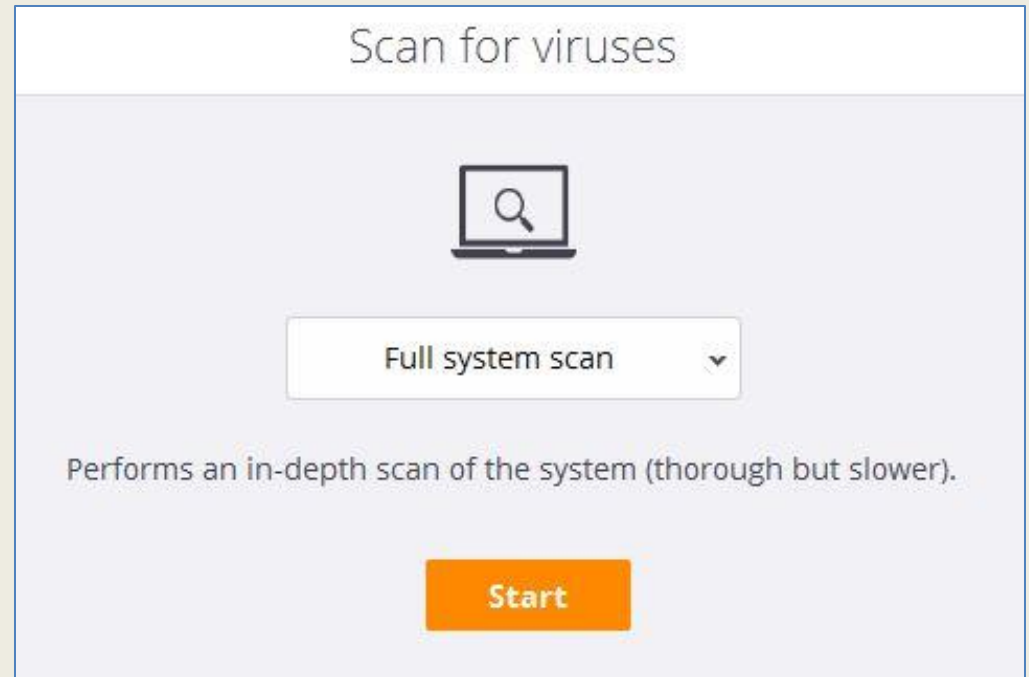
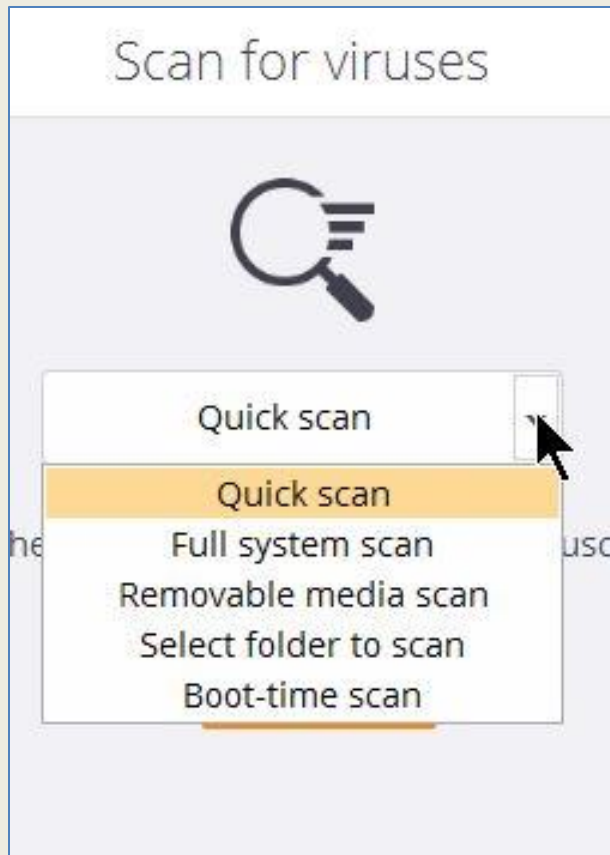
Skip

Skip this as well – it requires a paid version of Avast... not necessary.



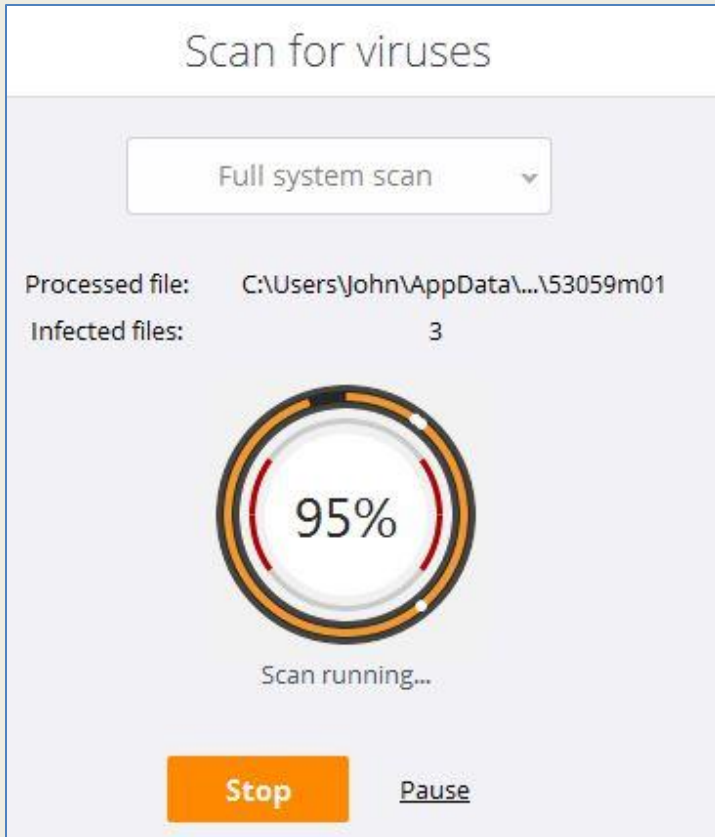
Avast places an Icon on your desktop. **Double click** icon to run the program. Repeat any time in the future.

Avast opens to display the toolbar above. Click once on upper Scan (magnifying glass) Skip Smart Scan as you already did it. Instead click on **Scan for viruses**.

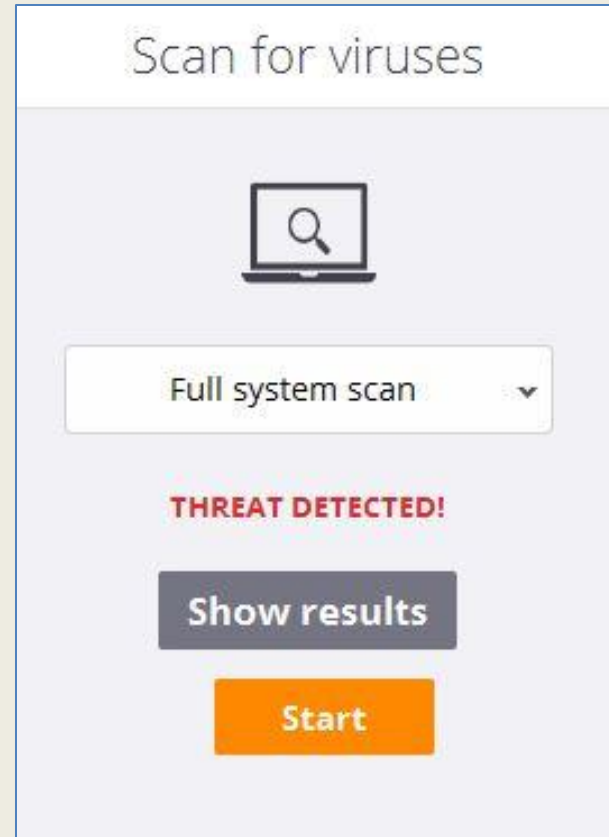


Click **Start**

For the 1st scan operation,
choose **full system scan**
from the drop-down menu.
In the future, you can select
Quick scan



The Full system scan
will take a while



Click on **Start**
to resolve all Treats
detected

THREAT DETECTED!

Threats

Select the required action for each result and click "Apply".

File name	Severity	Status	Action	Result
C:\Users\John\AppData\LocalLow\...\374e73c-3027b6f4	High	Threat: Java:Malware-gen [Trj]	Fix automatically ▼	
C:\Users\John\AppData\LocalLow\...\16ae33b-23ee6938	High	Threat: Java:Malware-gen [Trj]	Fix automatically ▼	
C:\Users\John\AppData\Local\Temp\...\OCSetupHlp.dll	Low	PUP: Win32:OpenCandy-D [PUP]	Fix automatically ▼	

Apply this action for all:

Fix automatically ▼

Note: the automatic fix tries to repair the file first. If repair is not possible, it proceeds to move the file to the Chest. If that fails as well, the file is deleted.

Apply

Click on **Apply**
to fix, heal, remove all virus threats

Select the required action for each result and click "Apply".

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C:\Users\John\AppData\LocalLow\...\374e73c-3027b6f4	High	Threat: Java:Malware-gen [Trj]	Move to Chest	✓ Action success...
C:\Users\John\AppData\LocalLow\...\6ae33b-23ee6938	High	Threat: Java:Malware-gen [Trj]	Move to Chest	✓ Action success...
C:\Users\John\AppData\Local\Temp\...\IOCSetupHlp.dll	Low	PUP: Win32:OpenCandy-D [PUP]	Move to Chest	✓ Action success...

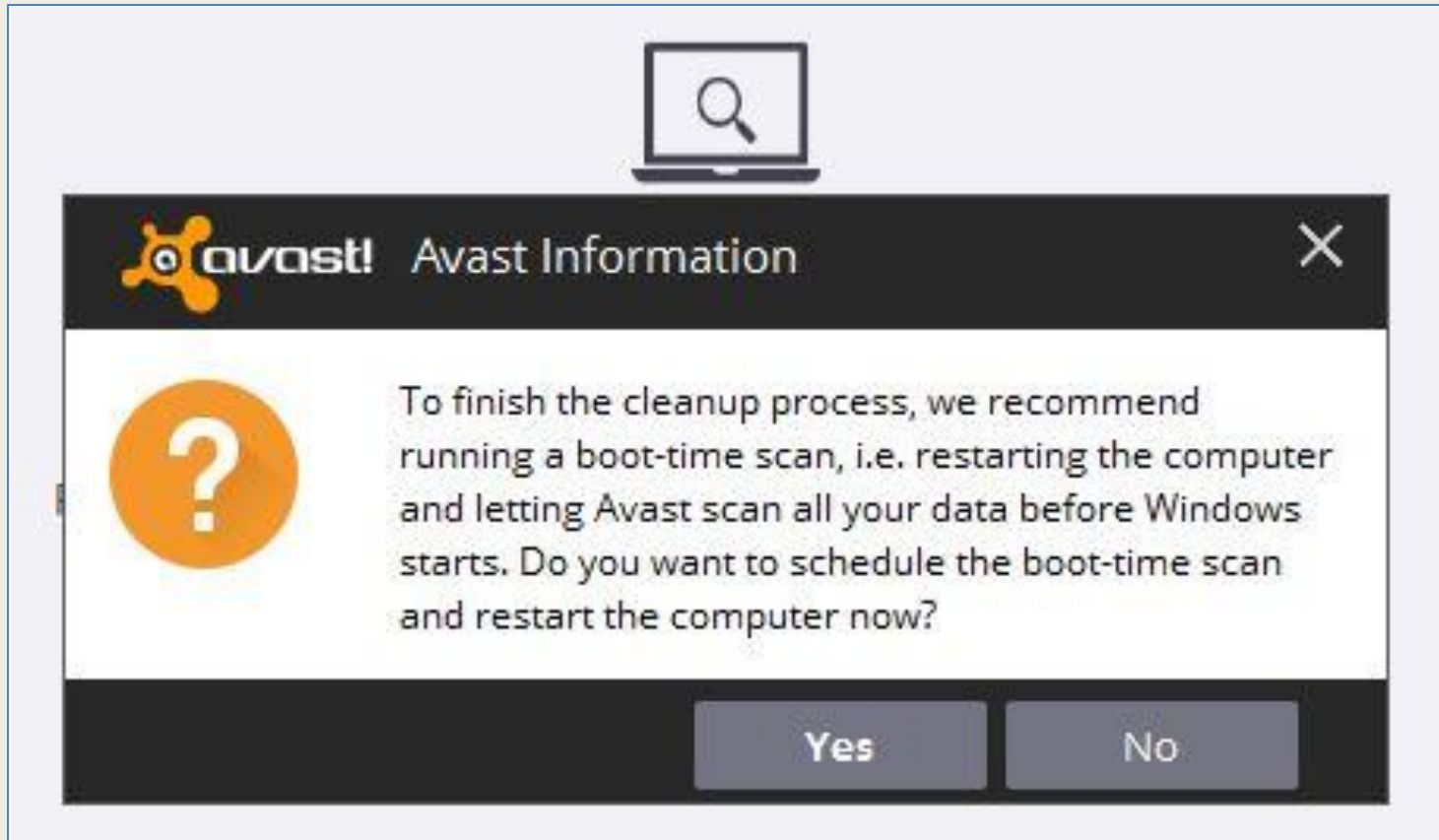
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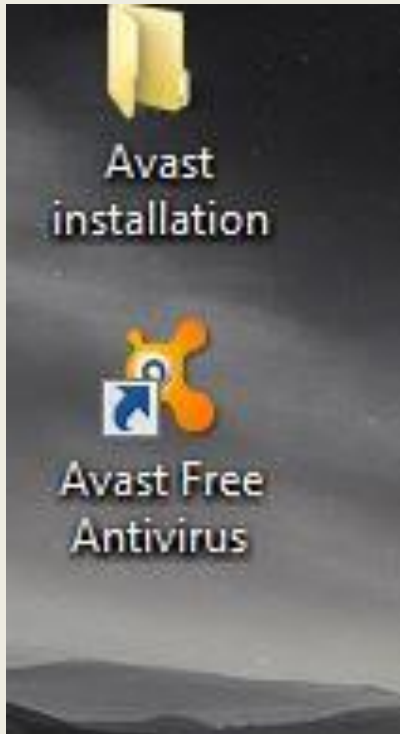
Apply

Close

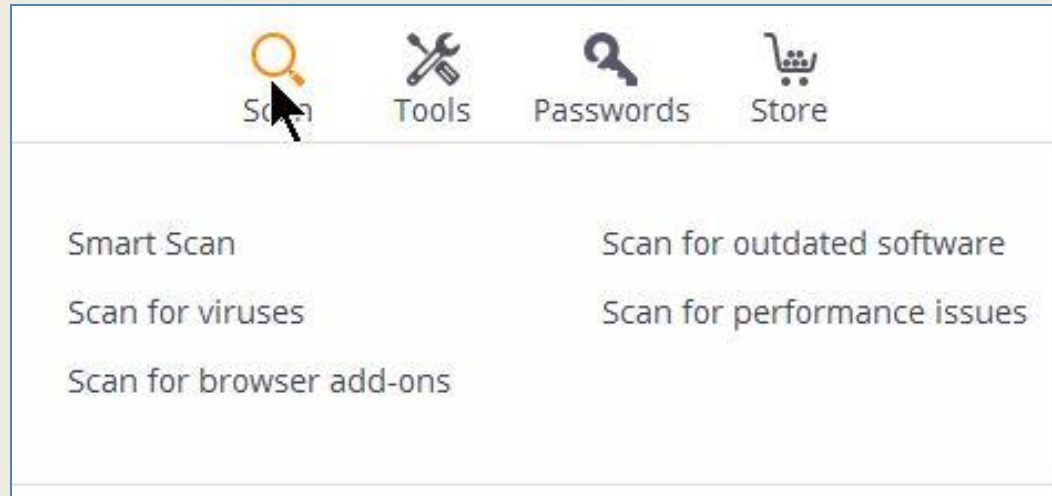
Click on **Close** to complete this step



During 1st scan, you can also perform a “boot-time” scan. Helpful for the 1st time. **Note** that when you click on **Yes**, your PC will reboot, run thru a DOS like display to scan the Boot file & eventually return to the Windows desktop.

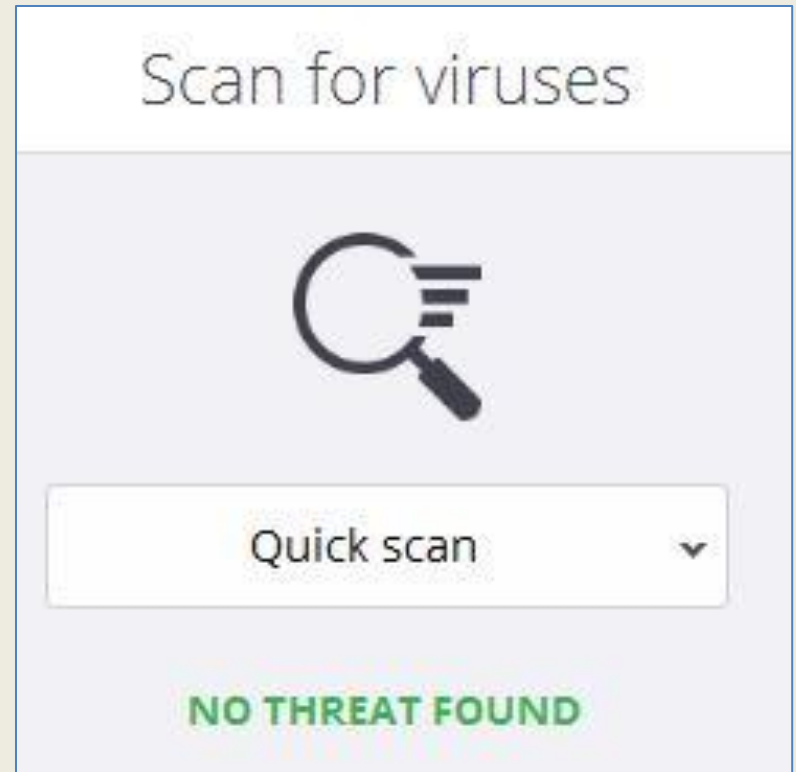
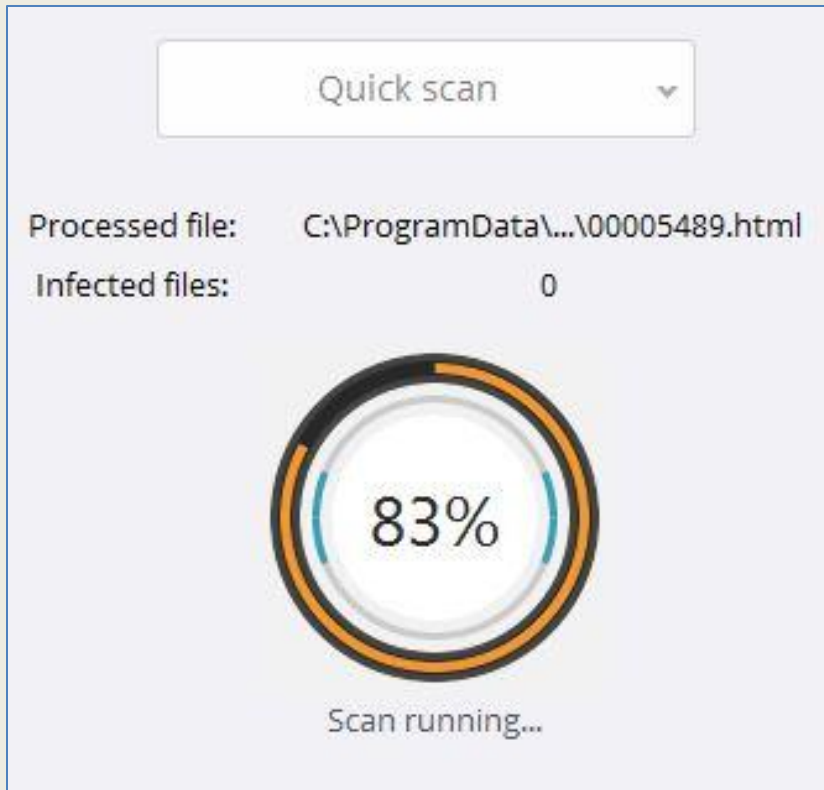


In the future, just **Double click** on this icon to run the program.



When Avast opens, Click once on the upper Scan. Click on **Scan for viruses**, choose Quick Scan & **Start**.





After the quicker scan, you can choose Apply to remove any threats, or just close the program when no threats are found.

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