Avira Small Business Security Suite Version 2.6.1

Release Information

Product characteristics

Avira Small Business Security Suite is a complete security solution, designed to fulfill the expectations and needs of small and micro businesses that want to protect their network against malware.

The Avira Small Business Security Suite protects Windows PCs, Windows Server and also secures Microsoft Exchange Server mail traffic.

All product components can be centrally managed, i.e. functions such as installation and configuration as well as the updating and monitoring of components and of the security environment as such can be centrally done with the help of a special module.

The suite consists of the following components:
- Avira Management Console incl. Avira Update Manager
- Avira Small Business Security Suite configuration wizard
- Avira Professional Security
- Avira Server Security
- Avira AntiVir Exchange

Whereas the first 4 components have not been touched, the component Avira AntiVir Exchange has been replaced in the new version by a new product: Avira Exchange Security – Small Business Edition.

What's new?

Avira Exchange Security replaces Avira AntiVir Exchange

The version 2.6.1 of the Avira Small Business Security Suite replaces the hitherto used component Avira AntiVir Exchange by the new Avira Exchange Security – Small Business Edition.

The Small Business Edition has been especially designed and developed to fulfill the needs and requirements of small and micro businesses. It reduces the complexity of the previous Exchange product to an easy to install product that offers a clearly structured, dedicated administration interface that concentrates on the most essential features, administration and reporting tools needed to operate the system.

The Small Business Edition is installed via the installation wizard of the Small Business Security Suite and has an own configuration wizard that makes it easy to setup the system in less than 10 minutes.

Functional highlights of the Avira Exchange Security - Small Business Edition

New, functionally reduced and simplified user interface

A complex and powerful product must not always be complicated to use. The new user interface of the Avira Exchange Security – Small Business Edition is proof of that.

The user interface is basically divided into 2 areas:
● The status and statistics area
● The action area

Status and statistics

The status and statistics area offers a quick overview over the current status of the product. For example it is automatically shown if the virus scanner or the spam filter is up to date. If they are not, then they can be updated at once.

The virus scanner status also allows scheduling scans of the information store resp. to deactivate such a scan.

The spam filter status is also used to quickly change the spam filter level to low, medium, or high or deactivate the spam filter altogether.

The status and statistics area also shows if the product is activated and how long the license is still valid. The user can renew his license directly over the Avira Online Shop.

By default the product provides a number of pre-defined statistics that the customer can use and which are displayed in graphical form in a separate area. The statistics cover the Email throughput, the top 10 malware, spam and malware statistics. There is a print preview for all statistics and all statistics can be printed out or exported to Excel, Word or PDF format.

All displayed statistics can be refreshed with just one mouse-click.

Actions

Configuration wizards

Especially the highly complex configuration of an Exchange solution has been extremely simplified in the Small Business Edition so that it is not difficult for a non-experienced user to configure the product. Various wizards make it easy to configure the product according to individual needs. More complex configurations have already been preset by the product.

Change Basic Configuration

Use the basic configuration wizard to change the basic configuration of the system if this is desired or necessary. For instance you can insert domains or the Email address of the administrator. If you use a proxy server you can also enter it here.

Change Virus Scan Configuration
Use the virus scan wizard to configure basic actions of the virus scanner, e.g. if you want the scanner to move attachments that cannot be scanned into the quarantine or if you want to deliver them directly.
You can also define texts here that will then be added to the header or at the end of an Email (e.g. "scanned by Avira Exchange Security – Small Business Edition"). The time interval for how long Emails should be stored in the quarantine can also be specified here.

Change Spam Filter Configuration
Use the spam filter wizard if you want to individually configure the spam filter.
This basically allows you to insert trustworthy Email addresses that you don´t want to be scanned. You can add those Email addresses manually or by importing a text file that holds those addresses.
You can do the same with lists of trustworthy words and phrases that should not be scanned as well.
You can also define when Email recipients should be informed that their Email was classified as spam.

Open quarantine
The quarantine contains all blocked Emails that have not been delivered. There are listed with the date, the sender, the recipient, the scan result and the header. You can sort and thus quickly access the Email you are looking for by simply clicking on the respective column header. You can also view detailed information for each quarantined Email. One mouse click allows you to refresh the list of Emails in the quarantine.

Blocked Emails can be deleted or delivered to the recipient. Multi-select is possible.

Restore configuration
Sometimes you might want to undo a configuration and go back to a previous configuration. In the Small Business Edition you can do this quite easily by choosing the action "restore". You have then the option to restore the previous configuration, last month´s configuration or go back to the initial configuration.

Change password
Using this wizard you can protect the configuration of the product by inserting a password resp. to change this password afterwards.

System requirements
The product is available as a 64 bit solution for Microsoft Small Business Server 2008 and 2011.

- Operating systems:
    Windows Small Business Server 2011 Standard, 64 bit
    Windows Small Business Server 2008, 64 bit
    Windows Server 2008 x64; Echange 2007 SP1 or higher
    Windows Server 2008 R2; Exchange 2007 SP1 or higher
- Microsoft .NET, version 3.5
- Correctly configured Microsoft Exchange Server
- Internet connection (maybe behind a proxy server)
- RAM: additional 64 MB to the Exchange-recommended RAM
- Hard drive: At least 400 MB for the installation

Please also note the system requirements for the other components of the Avira Small Business Security Suite.

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