

# HOW-TO *Install and Configure avast! Home Edition*

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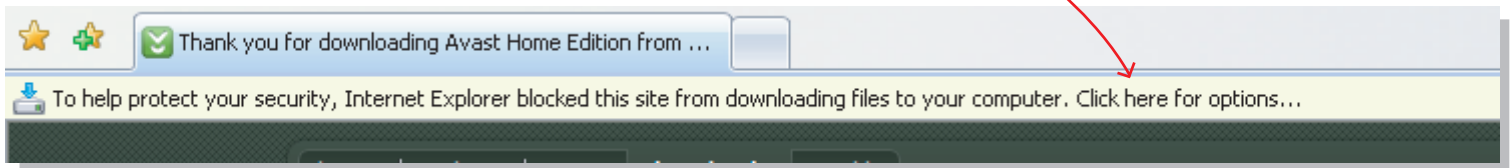
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**Before You Begin:** For any software installation, it is important that you exit and close any programs that are running on your PC prior to beginning. If you already have an anti-virus program running on your PC, it is also a good idea to fully uninstall it before installing avast! Many of the popular anti-virus programs offer full uninstallation instructions for their product on their web site. Follow their instructions carefully, to avoid future problems.

**Step 1:** Visit the avast! web site (URL above) and locate the download link for the "Home Edition" version. You can also use the [Download Software](#) link from our Tools page. ([jumpstartmypc.com](http://jumpstartmypc.com))

**Step 2:** Click on the link to download and save this file to your PC.

 Internet Explorer users will have to "allow" this action by clicking in the yellow bar.



**Step 3:** Locate the file you saved in Step 2 (*avast\_home\_setup.exe*) and double-click to install.

**Step 4:** Choose **Run** from the Security Warning popup box.

**Step 5:** Select your language from the dropdown box and click **Next**.

**Step 6:** Click **Next** on the Setup screen that comes up and the Read me page.

**Step 7:** Choose I agree and click **Next**.

**Step 8:** The destination directory will be prefilled. Leave it as it is and click **Next**.

**Step 9:** Click **Next** on the Configuration page and then again on the Installation information page.

**Step 10:** When prompted with a pop-up box about scheduling a boot-time antivirus scan, click **Yes**.

**Step 11:** Choose the Restart option and click **Finish**.

 *The boot-time scan will begin when your computer restarts. This process can take one to several hours to complete.*

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**Step 12:** Upon restarting, an avast pop-up box should automatically show on the screen. Click on the link that reads **avast! Home Registration page**.

**\*\*Do not close this pop-up box or press OK yet.**

**Step 13:** You will now be on avast's web site. Scroll about halfway down this page and look for the **Registration Form**.

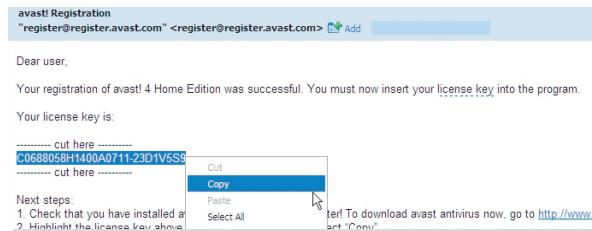
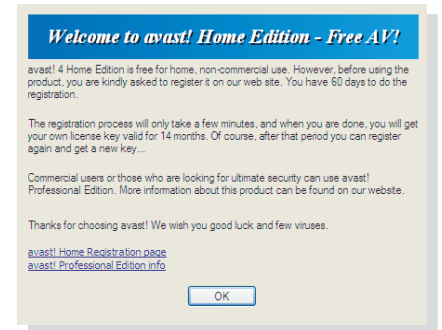
Fill out this form completely, with valid information.

**\*\* A valid email address is very important. You will receive a registration code via email.**

**Step 14:** Enter the letters shown in the security check area and click **Register For Free License**.

**Step 15:** Check your email inbox and look for an email from **register@register.avast.com**. Within this email, you will find a registration code (near the top of the email). It is 26 characters, made up of letters and numbers. Copy this code.

**\*\* The best method for copying the text is to highlight it, right-click using the mouse and select **copy**.**



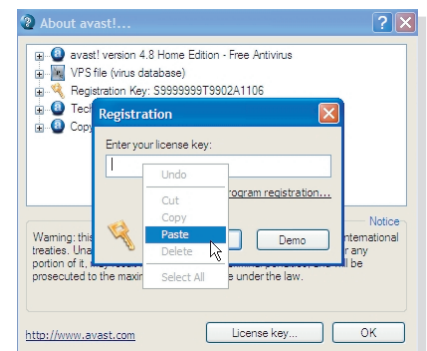
**Step 16:** Go back to the avast! pop-up box that appeared in Step 12. Now you can press **OK**.

**Step 17:** Locate the avast! "a-ball logo" in the bottom right-hand corner of your screen, right click on it and select **About avast!**

**Step 18:** From the pop-up box, click on **License Key**.

**Step 19:** Right click in **Enter Your License Key Area** and click **Paste**, then click **OK**.

**Step 20:** Click **OK** on the next two windows that come up to Finish the installation and setup of avast!



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