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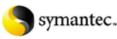
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NASCR are dedicated to providing as much protection against virus attacks as possible. There are various types of virus, and also varying levels of threat. On this page, we give you a brief insite in to the world of the computer virus, and some links to additional information and virus removal sites.

Many NASCR members specialise in the removal of viruses, and more importantly in the prevention of infection.

By simply selecting your postcode prefix here, you will be presented with a list of virus centres in your area. If you want advice on protecting your home or office PC, simply give one a ring, and put your mind at rest.

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Virus Information

What is a Virus:

A computer virus is a small program written to alter the way a computer operates, without the permission or knowledge of the user.

Some viruses are programmed to damage the computer by damaging programs, deleting files, or reformatting the hard disk. Others are not designed to do any damage, but simply to replicate themselves and make their presence known by presenting text, video, and audio messages. Even these benign viruses can create problems for the computer user. They typically take up computer memory used by legitimate programs. As a result, they often cause erratic behavior and can result in system crashes. In addition, many viruses are bug-ridden, and these bugs may lead to system crashes and data loss.

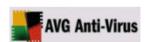
Worms :

Worms are programs that replicate themselves from system to system without the use of a host file. This is in contrast to viruses, which requires the spreading of an infected host file. Although worms generally exist inside of other files, often Word or Excel documents, there is a difference between how worms and viruses use the host file. Usually the worm will release a document that already has the "worm" macro inside the document. The entire document will travel from computer to computer, so the entire document should be considered the worm. PrettyPark.Worm is a particularly prevalent example.

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