
Subject: spamassassin.exe cpu load

Posted by [TomPeeters](#) on Wed, 16 May 2007 05:57:08 GMT

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Hi there,

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Posted by [support](#) on Wed, 16 May 2007 09:27:29 GMT

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That's normal operation for SpamAssassin, that's why SpamAssassin should run last, only when all other filters have passed the message.

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Consider upgrading to NoSpamToday! version 3. Version 3 has a dedicated RBL (DNSBL) filter

that does a good job at eliminating spams, thus reducing the CPU load caused by SpamAssassin.

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Posted by [amontepaone](#) on Wed, 23 May 2007 20:50:53 GMT

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Hallo

the same problem on NoSpamToday version 3 with DNSBL filter.... what causes this heavy load on SpamAssassin process??

Thanks

Angelo

Subject: Re: spamassassin.exe cpu load

Posted by [support](#) on Thu, 24 May 2007 10:56:04 GMT

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SpamAssassin will always use 100% CPU for a few seconds, but SpamAssassin will be called less often if other filters have already removed spam mails.
