The Surfing Spy for Windows 95

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Installation and User Guide

Demonstration vs Registered Versions

The registered and demonstration versions of the Surfing Spy are identical with the exception that the demonstration version periodically displays a message informing the Net Surfer that the current browser session is being monitored. The registered version does not display is message and remains hidden at all times.

Installation

The Surfing Spy consists of four program files:

setup.exe SSAdmin.exe

ssystem.exe sshooks.dll

Only two of these files (**ssystem.exe** and **sshooks.dll**) must be present for the program to run and log internet sessions. The program **setup.exe** is used only to install and uninstall the program and the file **SSAdmin.exe** is used to configure the program, view and delete the log files.

To install the Surfing Spy make sure that the four programs mentioned above are all in the same directory (or on a single diskette) and run the program **setup.exe**.

The setup program will copy the files **ssystem.exe** and **sshooks.dll** into the Windows directory. During the installation you will be asked if you want to have the program run automatically each time Windows is started and if you want the Surfing Spy to be run right away. You can always make changes to these selections afterwards using the Surfing Spy Administration program (**SSAdmin.exe**).

Once installation is complete, the Surfing Spy Administration program will be launched to allow you to make any changes to selections that were made during installation.

<u>NOTE:</u> The Administration Program will NOT be copied as it is not necessary to have this program on the system while it is monitoring browser sessions. Many users prefer not to have this program present and run it from a diskette. You may, however, copy the file yourself into any direcectory on the system.

Configuring the Program

Configuration is done using the Surfing Spy Administration Program

(**SSAdmin.exe**). This program can be copied anywhere in the system or run from a diskette.

The Surfing Spy Administration Program consists of a dialog box that allows you to launch the application immediately by hitting the Run Now button. Once the application starts running the "Run Now" button becomes grayed out. If the button is already grayed out then the application has already been launched previously.

Once the application is launched it will continuously monitor browser sessions noting (1) the name of the site (2) the time and date of the visit and (3) the URL of the site.

The "Stop" button can be used to stop the program from running. If the program is not running at the time the stop button will be grayed out.

To run the program automatically every time the computer is started, click on the checkbox that says "Load Automatically at Startup". NOTE: This only causes the program to be launched after Windows 95 is restarted. To start the program immediately, you must hit the "Run Now" button.

The Surfing Spy Administration Program can be used to see if the Surfing Spy is currently running. To see of the program is running, simply run the Administration program and check to see if the "Run Now " button is grayed. If grayed, the program is running, otherwise you can hit the "Run Now" button to start the program.

Viewing the browser session logs

To view the browser session logs click on the "View Browser Logs".

The browser logs can be deleted by hitting the "Delete Log File" button.

Uninstalling

To uninstall the Surfing Spy, simply rerun the Setup program (**setup.exe**) an click on the "Uninstall" button.

This will stop the program, if it is presently running, and remove the files **ssystem.exe** and **sshooks.dll** from your Windows directory.

Problems/Comments

All problems, questions and comments can be send to Esm Software by E-mail to EsmSoftware@Compuserve.com or by fax to (514) 626-6577. Happy Surfing!

Compatibility with Newer Browsers

Due to the nature of this program it is possible that new versions of Internet Explorer and Netscape Navigator may not be properly monitored by this version of the Surfing Spy. Users can visit the Surfing Spy Internet Site at: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/esmsoftware/sspy.htm for updates to the Surfing Spy that will be released to resolve these incompatibilities. NOTE: REGISTERED USERS WILL RECIEVE FREE UPDATES WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

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