VirusBlockade™ II Help Scan Disks Dialog Box

Before you read this Help file, if you have not done so already, be sure to read the two definitions at beginning of the Main Window Help file.

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A) WHEN YOU INSERT A FLOPPY DISK, SCAN... BUTTONS, POP-UP MENU, AND CHECKBOXES... The four When you insert a floppy disk, scan... buttons determine whether VirusDetective scans each floppy disk as you insert the floppy disk, or not. You can have VirusBlockade tell VirusDetective to scan floppy disks: 1) always; 2) never, 3) only when a selected key (the "modifier" key) is held down; or 4) only when the modifier key is NOT held down.

If VirusDetective finds an HTD, the floppy disk ejects and an alert box appears stating that VirusDetective has found an HTD and the floppy disk ejects so that the HTD cannot infect your Macintosh.

A.1 "...always" button

When you click the ...always button, it will cause VirusBlockade to ALWAYS scan any and all floppy disks that anyone inserts.

A.2 "...never" button

When you click the ...never button, it will cause VirusBlockade to NEVER scan floppy disks that anyone inserts – it is the equivalent of having this feature OFF.

A.3 "...if key is held down" button

When you click the ...if key is held down button, it causes VirusBlockade to tell VirusDetective to scan floppy disks whenever you hold down the modifier key while you insert a floppy disk. You choose the modifier key by way of a pop-up menu; choose: a) Caps Lock; b) Command; c) Control; d) Option; or e) Shift.

A.4 "...if key is NOT held down" button

The ...if key is NOT held down button is based on the same idea as the "...if key is held down" button, except ...if key is NOT held down button causes VirusBlockade to scan floppy disks whenever you DON'T hold down the modifier key while you insert a floppy disk. You choose the modifier key by using the very same pop-up menu as when key is held down; choose: a) Caps Lock; b) Command; c) Control; d) Option; or e) Shift.

A.5.1 "...in batch mode" checkbox

The ...in batch mode checkbox lets you scan a bunch of floppy disks as if VirusDetective were open without actually having VirusDetective open. When you have inserted an infected disk, it tells you it found an HTD. Otherwise, when a disk is not infected, it simply ejects it without telling you that the disk is fine.

For example, the ...in batch mode checkbox comes in handy when you have a public test Macintosh

where you want the machine to automatically scan floppy disks as you insert them. The reason the ...in batch mode checkbox exists is that people using a public machine don't necessarily know that they would have to open VirusDetective – with this checkbox, they don't have to open VirusDetective.

If you want VirusBlockade to notify you that each floppy disk is clean, click...

A.5.2 "...and notify user" checkbox

When you have clicked the ...in batch mode checkbox AND you click the ...and notify user checkbox, you will get a message when each disk is NOT infected.

B) WHEN YOU START UP OR MOUNT A DISK, SCAN... SECTION (ON THE RIGHT SIDE) When you click any of the When you start up or mount a disk, scan... checkboxes, VirusBlockade tells VirusDetective to scan the following disk categories: 1) the startup disk; 2) other non-networked disks; or 3) networked disks, as follows:

B.1 "...the startup disk" checkbox...

The startup disk is one type of non-networked ("local") disk. The startup disk is the disk that sets the Macintosh into operation. VirusDetective scans the startup disk immediately after the Finder starts.

B.2 "...other non-networked disks" checkbox...

We define "other non-networked disks" as non-startup disks that are directly connected to your Macintosh, NOT connected via a network. It also doesn't include floppy disks because they get their own section in A) above. Local = non-networked = is part of YOUR workstation as opposed to someone else's workstation. VirusDetective scans non-networked disks as soon as they are mounted.

B.3 "...networked disks" checkbox...

Networked disks are disks that are NOT part of your workstation. You have access to networked disks through AppleShare, TOPS, etc. VirusDetective scans networked disks as soon as they are mounted.

Because the When you start up or insert a disk, scan... scannings are quite time consuming, you may want to have VirusBlockade tell VirusDetective to perform these routine scannings only once or twice a week. The seven ...on what days checkboxes allow you to select which days of the week (Sunday through Saturday) you want VirusDetective to do this type of scan. You can choose any number of days (0-7) that you want.

If VirusDetective detects an HTD on a disk, the scan stops and an alert box appears. Thereafter, scanning continues until it finished searching all remaining disks for which you have selected disk categories.

C) SCAN ON WHAT DAYS AT WHAT TIME... SECTION (ON THE LEFT SIDE)

When you click any of the Scan on what days at what time... checkboxes, VirusBlockade tells VirusDetective to scan the same exact disk categories as in When you start up or mount a disk, scan... section (above). The difference between When you start up or mount a disk, scan... and Scan on what days at what time... is that in Scan on what days at what time..., it scans on selected days at a selected time of day. You can choose any number of days you want, but you can choose only one time of day. Choose the time of day, AM or PM.

D) "HELP", "CANCEL" AND "SAVE" BUTTONS...

D.1 "Help" button...

<You are in this file now.> If you want to write the text file to the Clipboard, click the Help->Clipboard button. Paste the contents of the Clipboard wherever you want to (which probably would be a word processing program like MacWrite II). Click the OK button when you want to close the Help file.

D.2 "Cancel" button...

When you click the Cancel button:

1) if you made any changes, VirusBlockade presents an alert box that asks "Save changes to name of the dialog box?". You have the choice between: Don't Save, Cancel (this cancel cancels the first cancel) or Save;

2) if you didn't make any changes, VirusBlockade brings you back to the Main Window.

D.3 "Save" button...

If you click the Save button, VirusBlockade saves any changes and then closes the dialog box.

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