

Macintosh: Interferon and Sneak Virus

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Some users have asked about a "Sneak" virus, which supposedly turns commonly used System Folder files into "INIT" files and places an "INIT" resource into these files.

There is also some confusion about the misidentifications frequently made by the anti-virus program "Interferon".

Interferon 2.0 is likely to report that the files "LaserWriter" and "Laser Prep" are infected. Interferon 3.0 frequently reports that the "Finder" and "DAHandler" files are infected -- even when they are not.

Apple is not aware of a particular virus called "Sneak". (The word "Sneak" is generally used to describe a TYPE of virus, not a specific virus.)

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