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Adware/Spyware is the bane of pc users existence. It's forced advertising and hijacking of a product CONSUMERS PURCHASE for the violation of a person's privacy. Adware/Spyrware should be illegal, with criminal implications. For many years, people have been forced to endure harassing phone calls at the dinner table by telephone solicitors, which now face penalties for this conduct.

Why should advertisers/marketing consultants new frontier, the Internet, be allowed on equipment which consumers must first buy and then PAY a fee to gain access? Most of the problems I've had with our pc has been related to Adware/Spyware being installed on my pc, without my knowledge or approval. That is like someone installing a microphone and/or camera on my phone line by hijacking my line with an incoming phone call! This invasion of our privacy and hijacking of the use of products consumers pay for absolutely must stop!