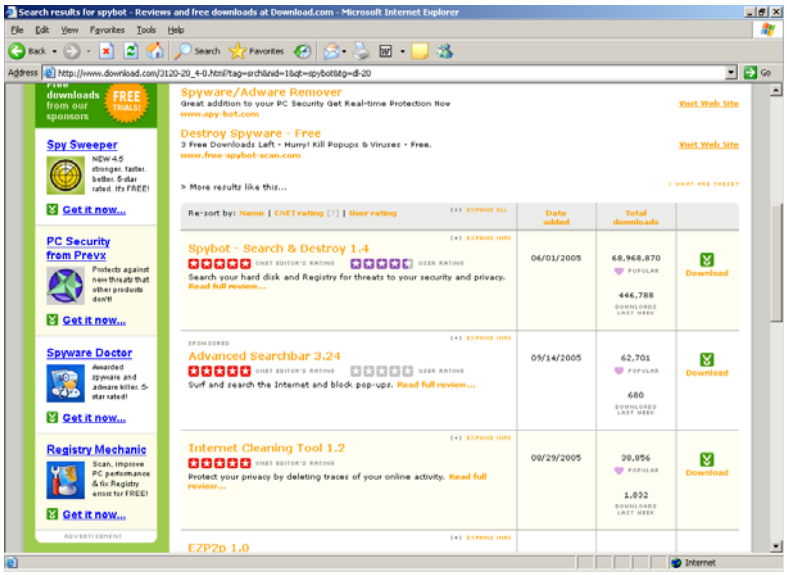
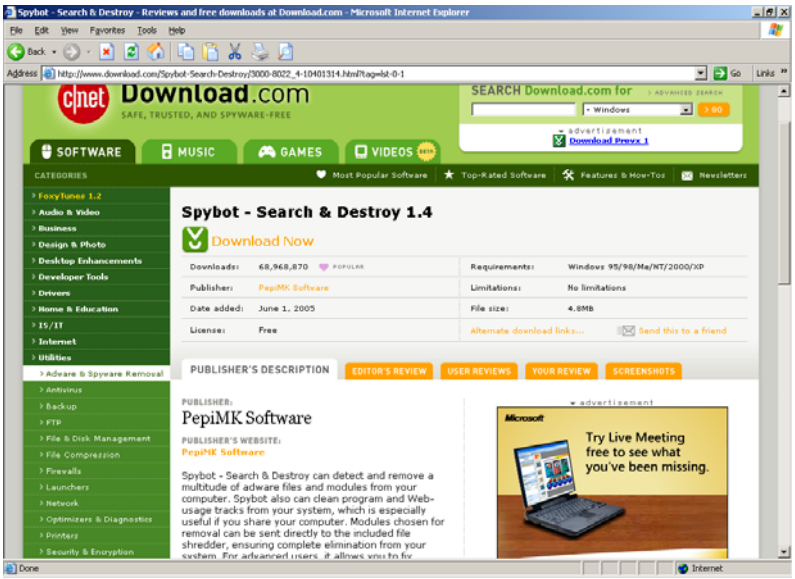
How to Load and Use Spybot Search and Destroy

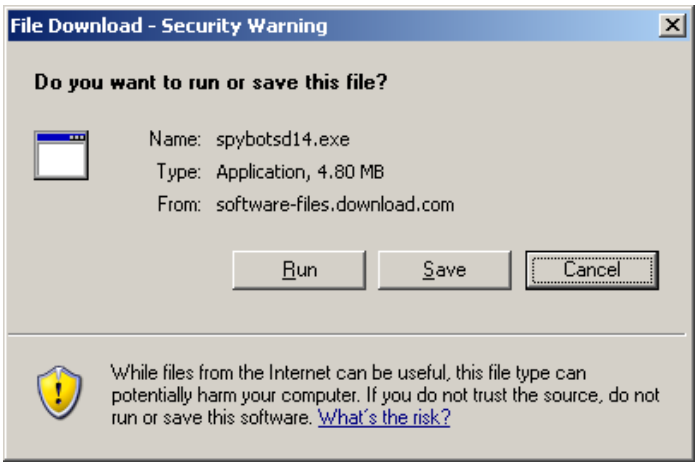
1.You will need to get the install file for Spybot off the Internet. The best place is www.download.com. When you get to download.com you should search for spybot in the search box. Once you get the search results please click on the current version of Spybot.



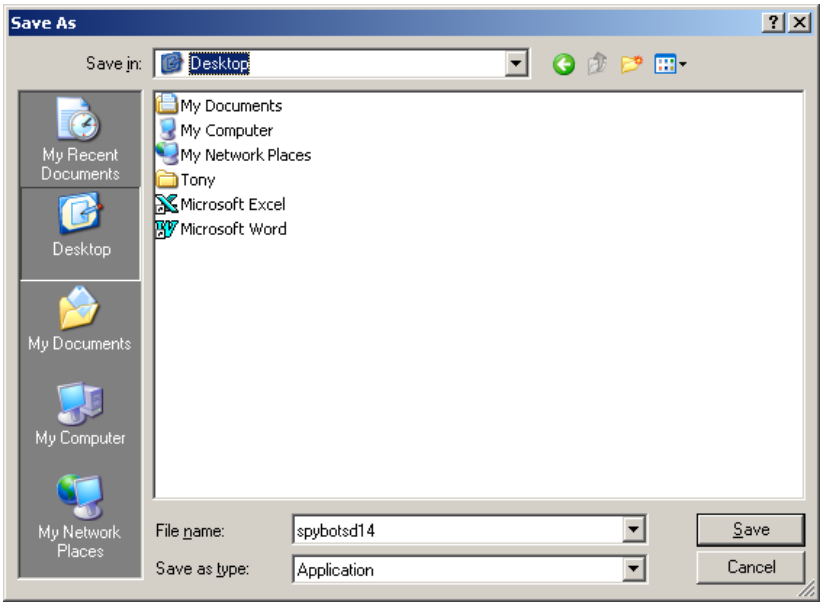
2. Another page will come up that will have a button to download the install file. Please click on the download button to begin the process.



3. When you click on the download button another window will come up please select the save option on this window

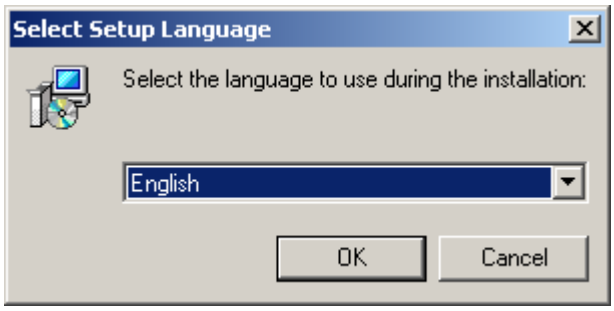


4. Another window will come up please select the location you would like to save the install file to. Pick a please that you can easily get to like your desktop. You can use the up arrow on the top of the window to move up to a level where you can see your desktop icon in the menu. Click the desktop icon then click "save." You should see the file being downloaded to this location now.

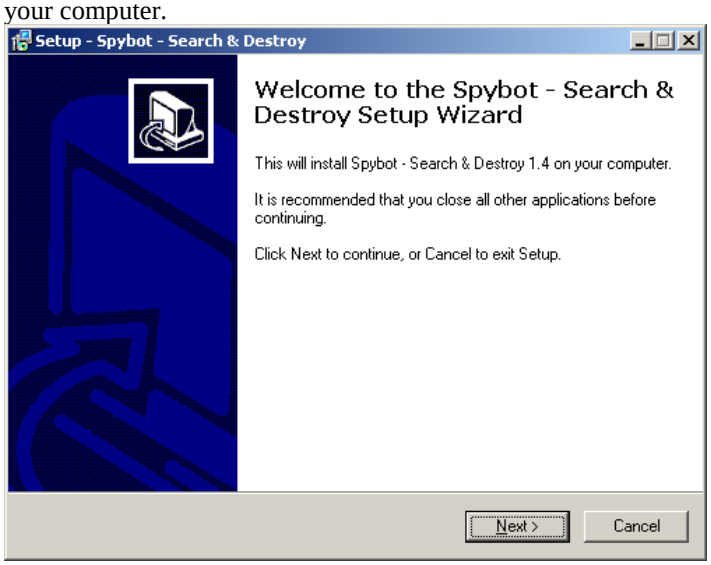


5. Once you have downloaded the file to your desktop you can close out all the other windows that might still be up on your computer. Please locate the Spybot install file and double click it to begin the install. When the security warning comes up please select the run option.

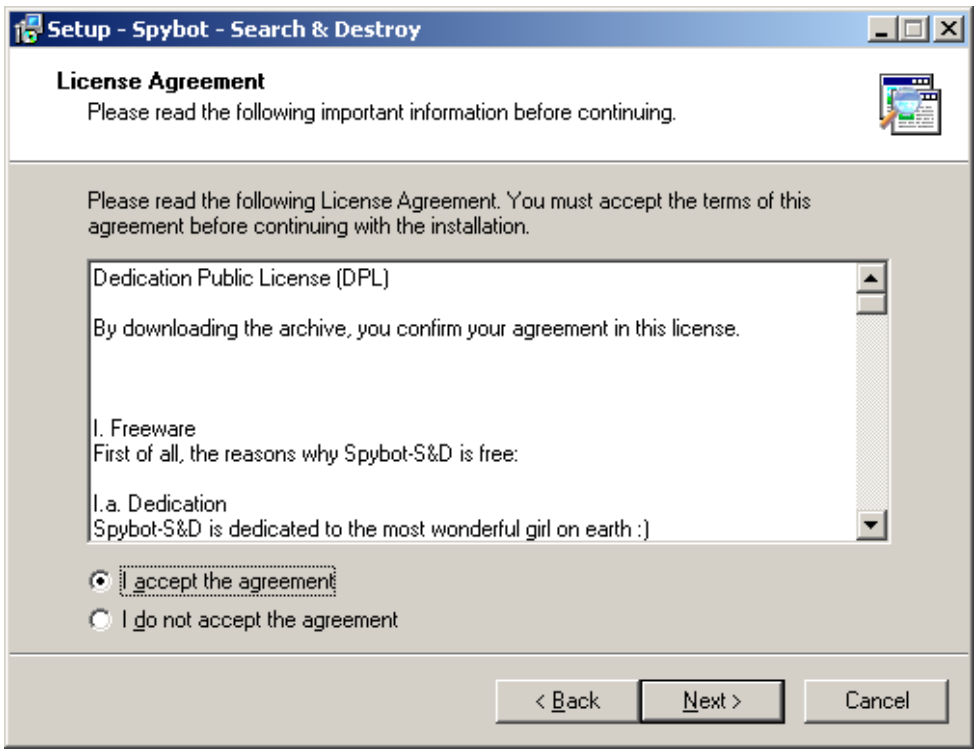
6. Now you will need to pick your setup language. English is the default so you should click on unless you would prefer another language.



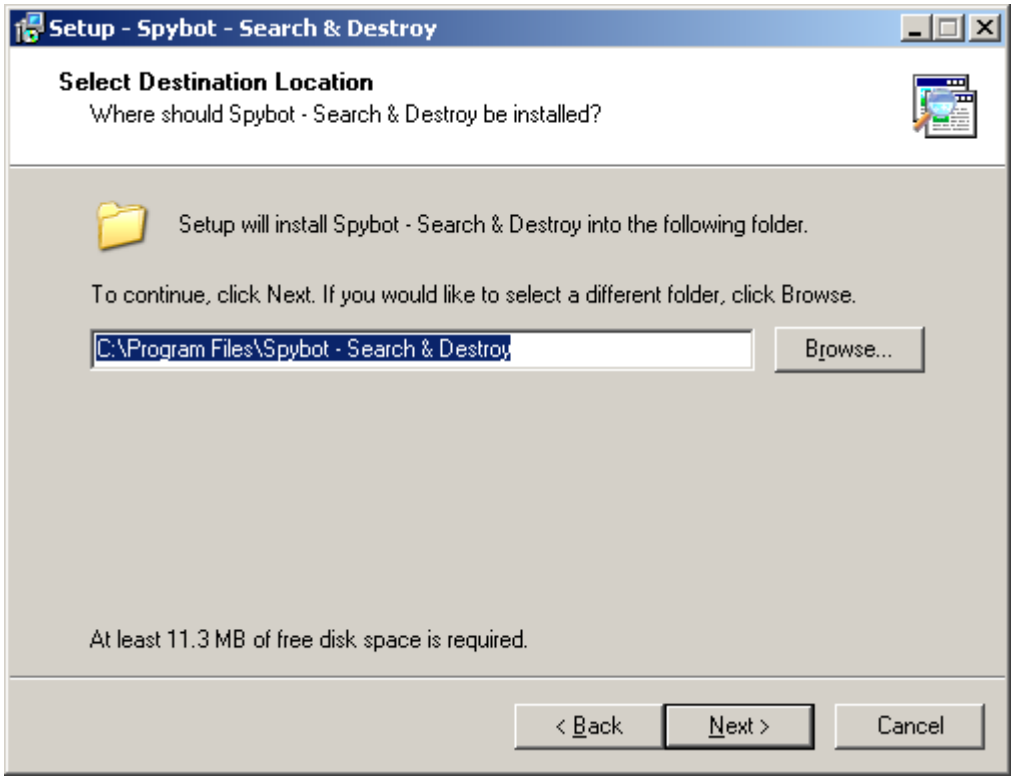
7. The setup window will now come up. You should click the next key to being installing the software on your computer.



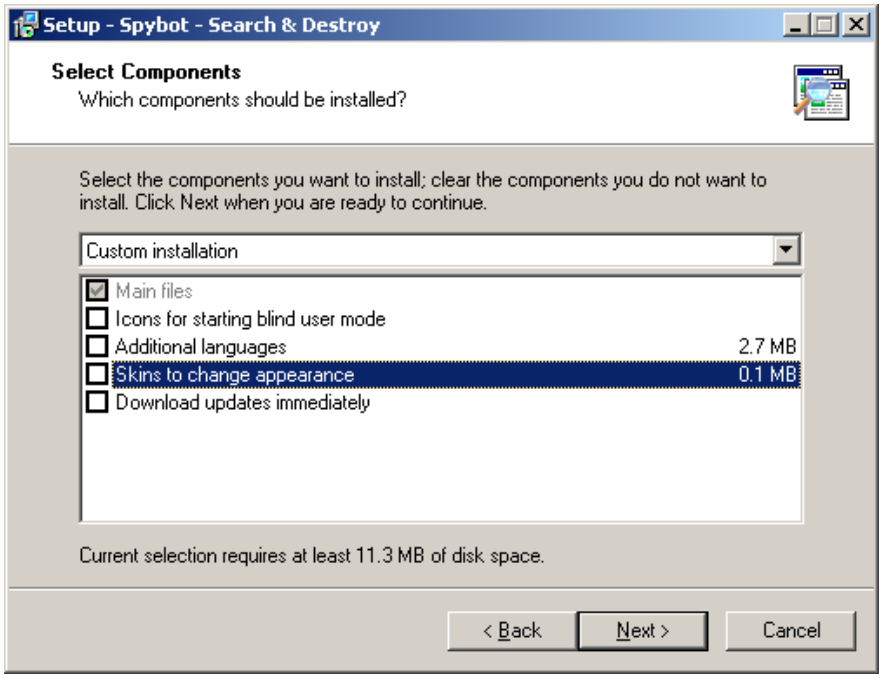
8. The license agreement will now be displayed. Please select the “accept the agreement” option and click the next key.



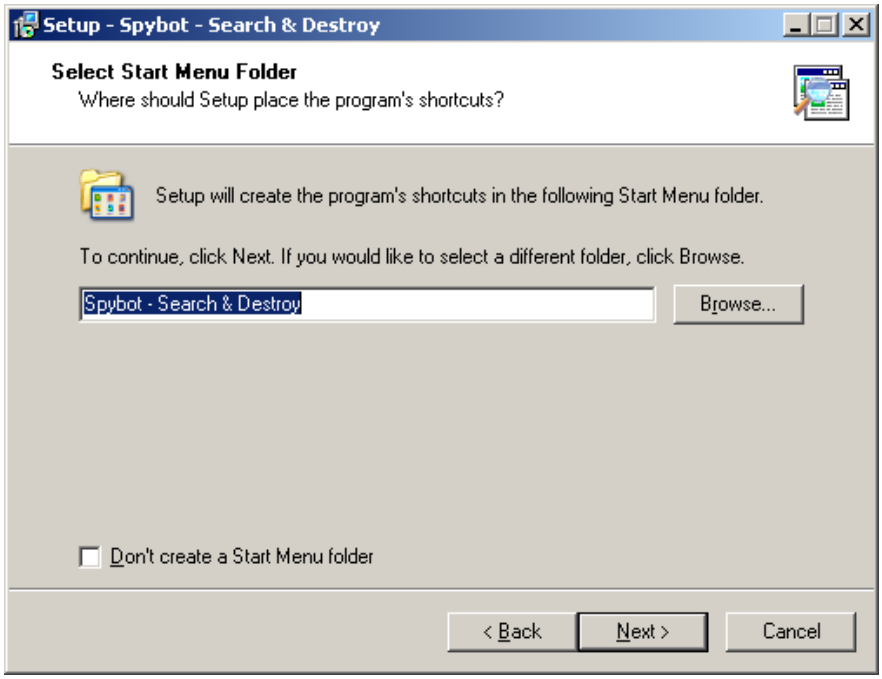
9. The destination location window will now come up. You should use the default setting unless you would like to install the software somewhere else. Most users should simply hit the “next” button.



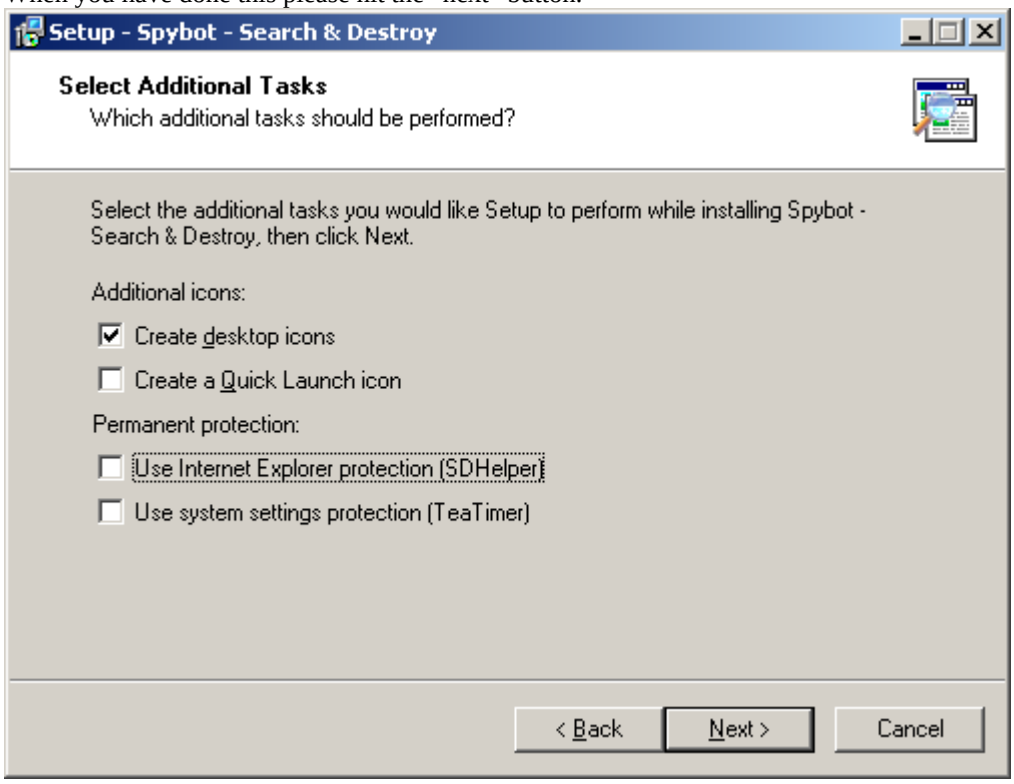
10. The select components window will now be displayed. You can either leave the defaults or uncheck all the options for a more basic load. Once you are done picking your options please hit the “next” button.



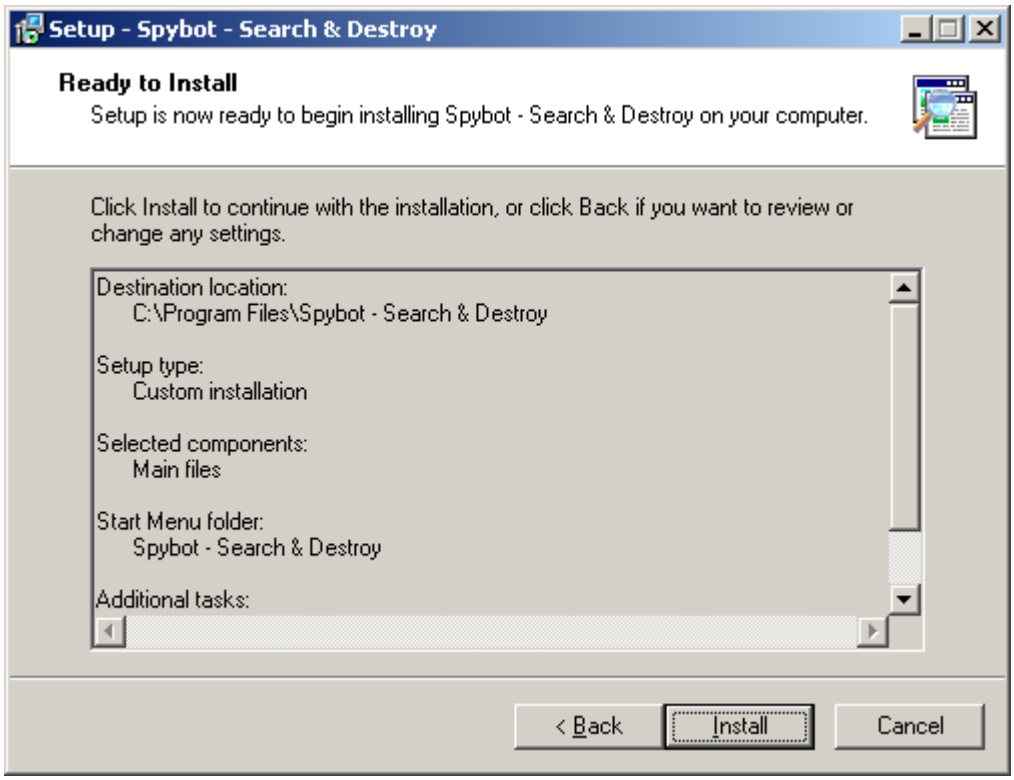
11. The Start Menu will be the next to come up. On this window simply click the next option.



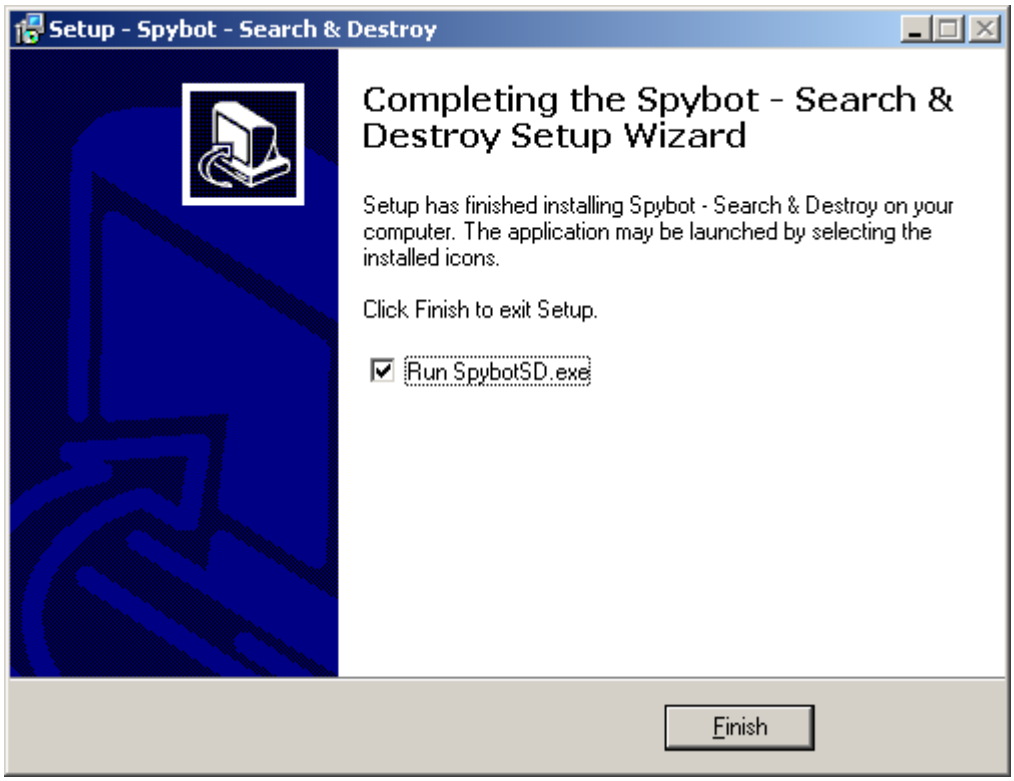
12. On the select additional tasks window please uncheck everything but the “create desktop icon” option. When you have done this please hit the “next” button.



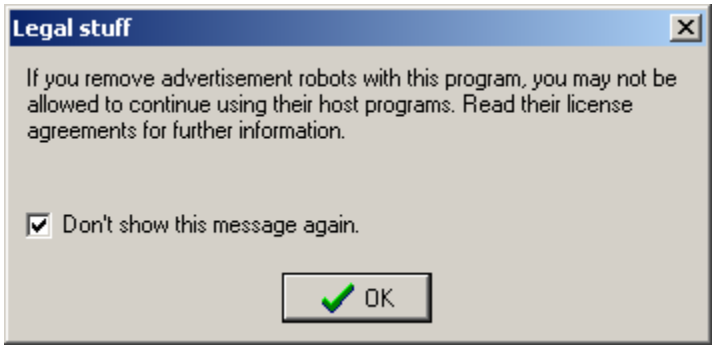
13. The ready to install window will now be displayed. Simply click the “install” button to begin loading the program onto your computer.



14. Once the program is done installing please make sure the box labeled “run spybot” is checked and hit the “finish” button.

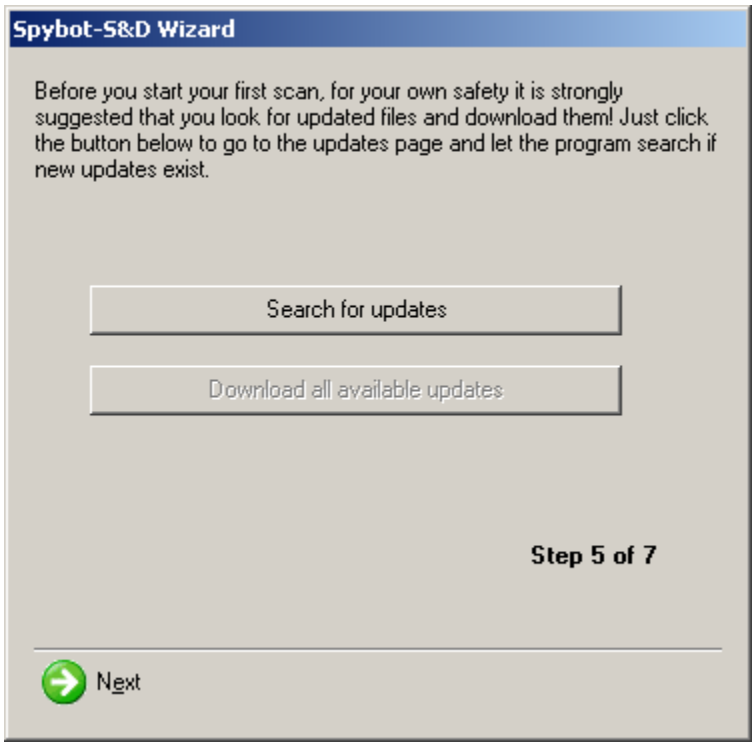


15. At the legal stuff window please check the “don’t show this message again” option and hit the “ok” button.



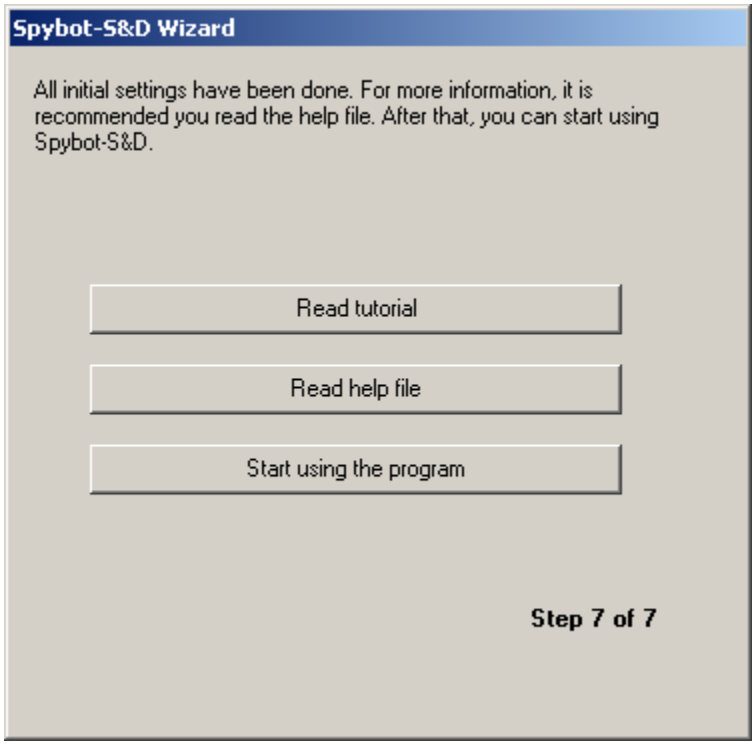
16. The Spybot wizard will now appear on your screen showing step 3. Please hit the “next” button at the bottom of the screen.

17. The search for updates option will come up. Please select the “next” option on this window.



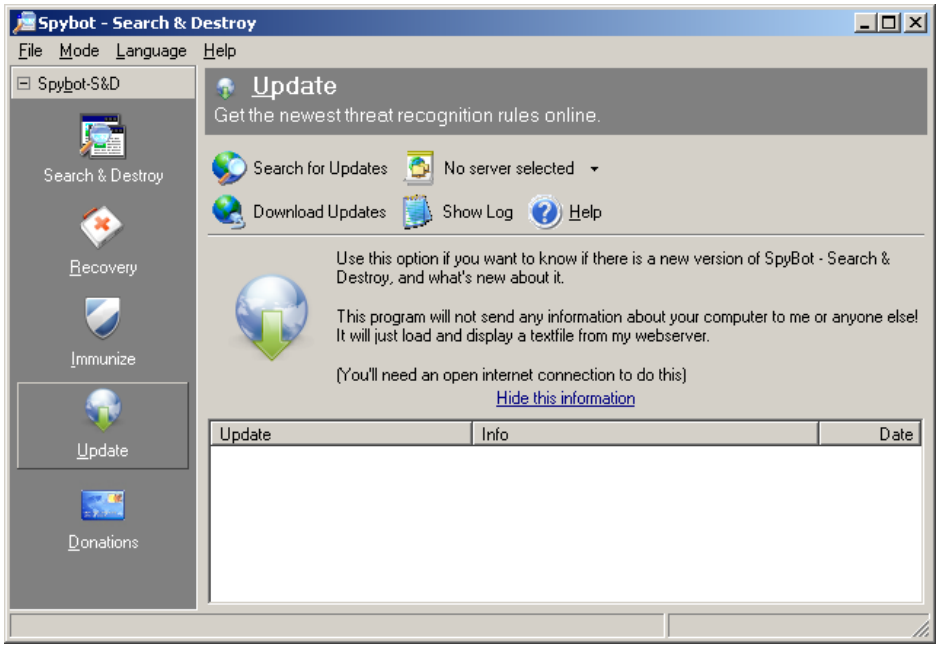
18. The immunize system option is the next one to come up. Please select the “next” button at the bottom of the screen.

19. The final step should now be displayed. Please click the “start using the program” button at this point.

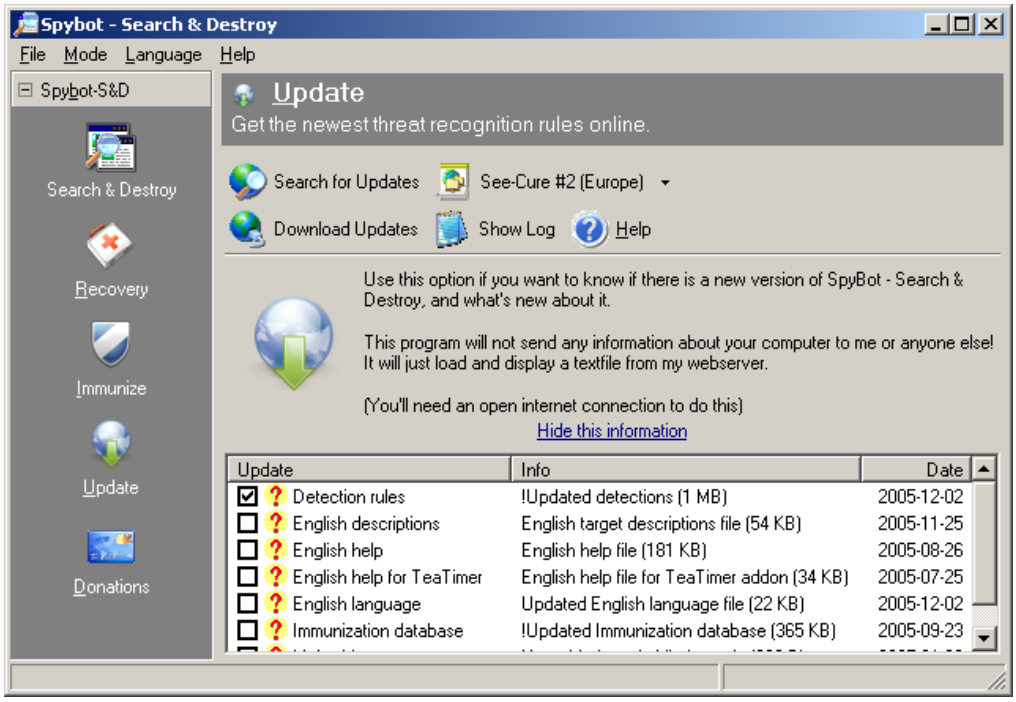


19. Spybot should now come up on your computer. This is the main page that will display anytime you start the program.

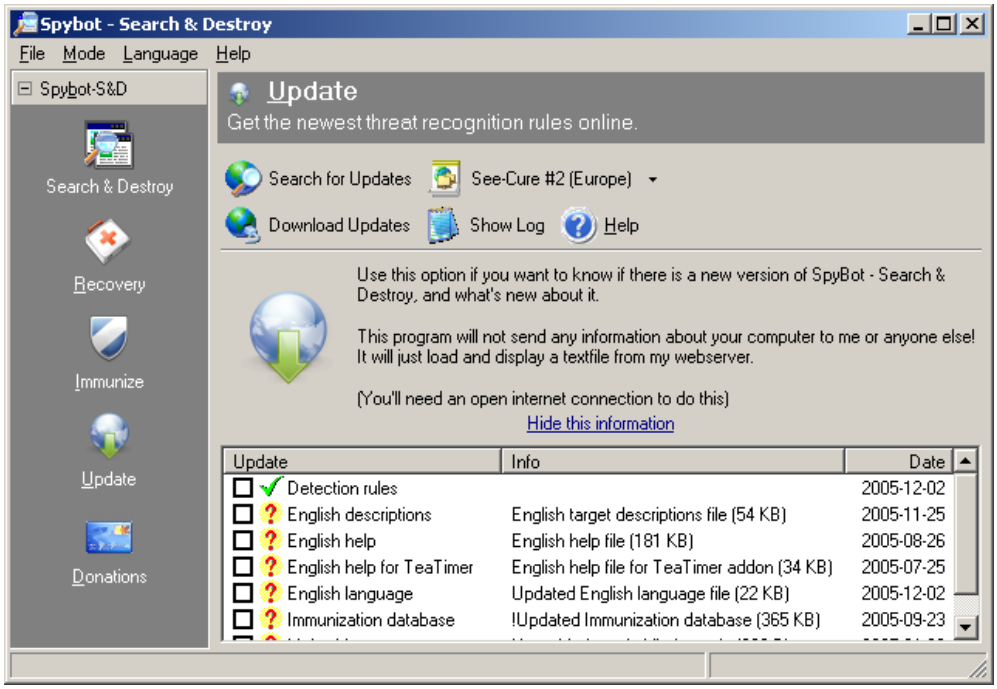
20. We now need to update Spybot so that it can search for the most current spyware on your computer. You will need to click the update icon on the left side of the window.



21. Once the update page is up you will need to click on the “search for updates” button. The program will then go out and find the updates that are avaliable. When the list appears make sure that the “detection rules” check box is checked then hit the “download updates” button.

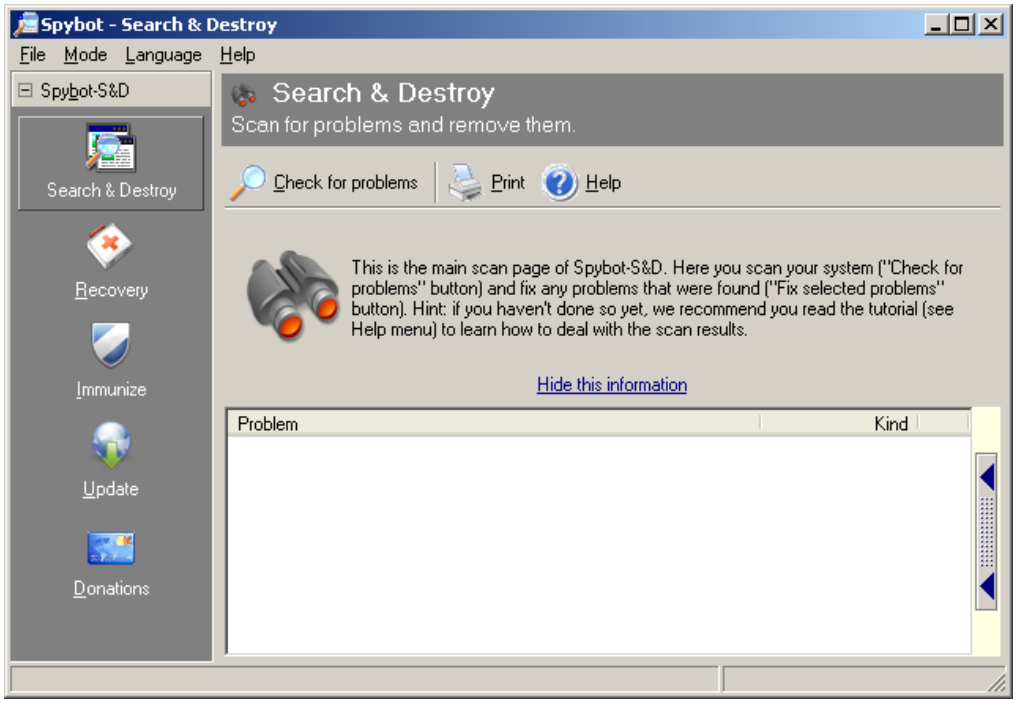


22. When you hit the update button the program will download and install the updates that you checked from the list on the window. When the update process is done there will be a green check mark by the update that was successfully installed.

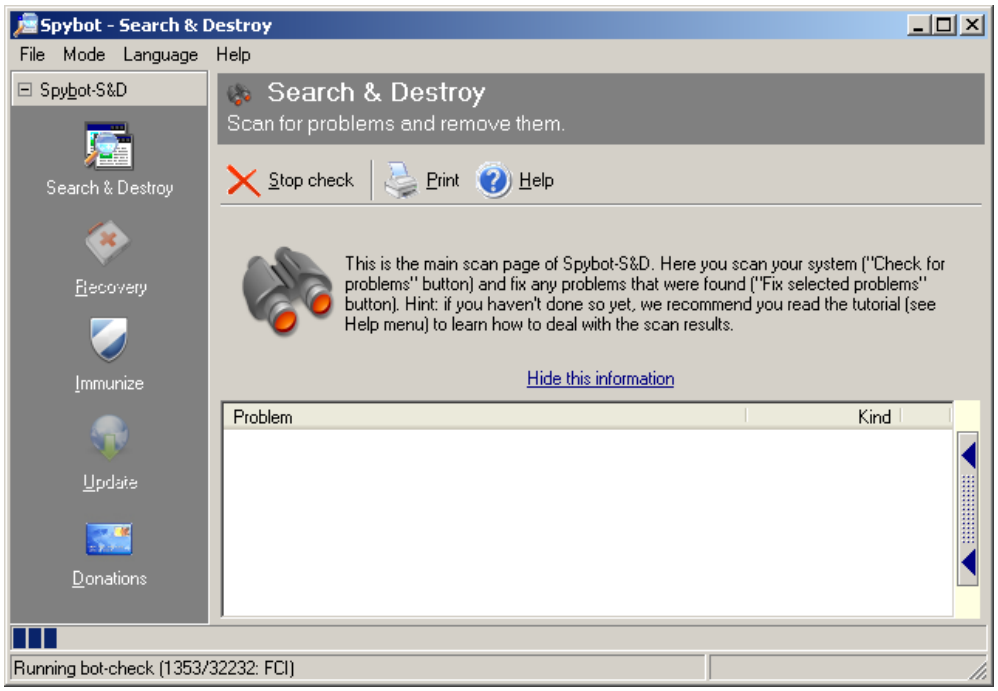


22. You should now close the program and reopen it by clicking the spybot icon on your desktop.

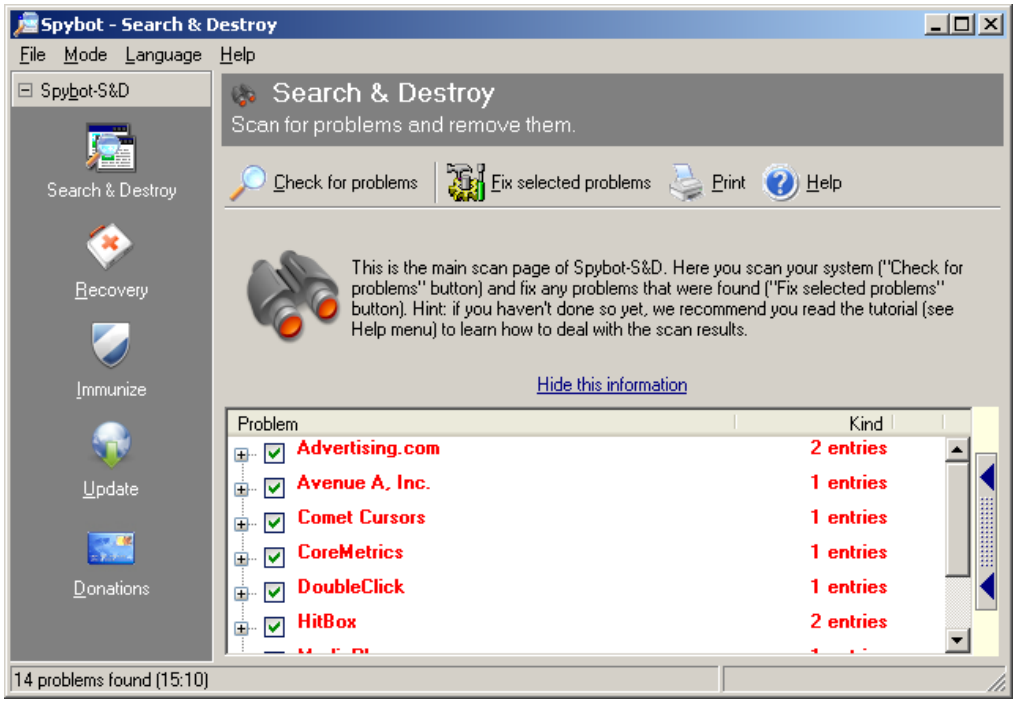
23. Select the “check for problems” option from the menu in the center of the window.



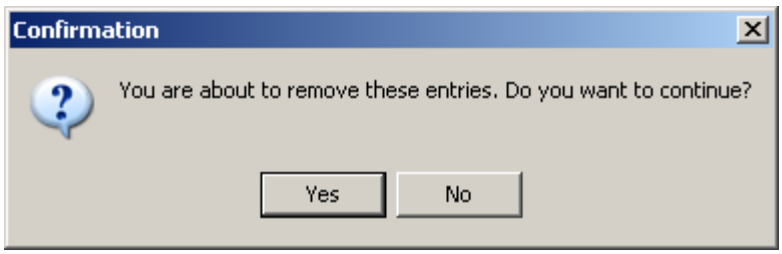
24. Now you will click on the “search for problems” button in the middle of the window to begin the detection process. The detection process will take a few minutes to complete.



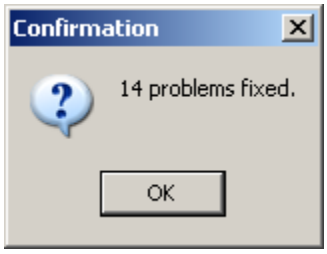
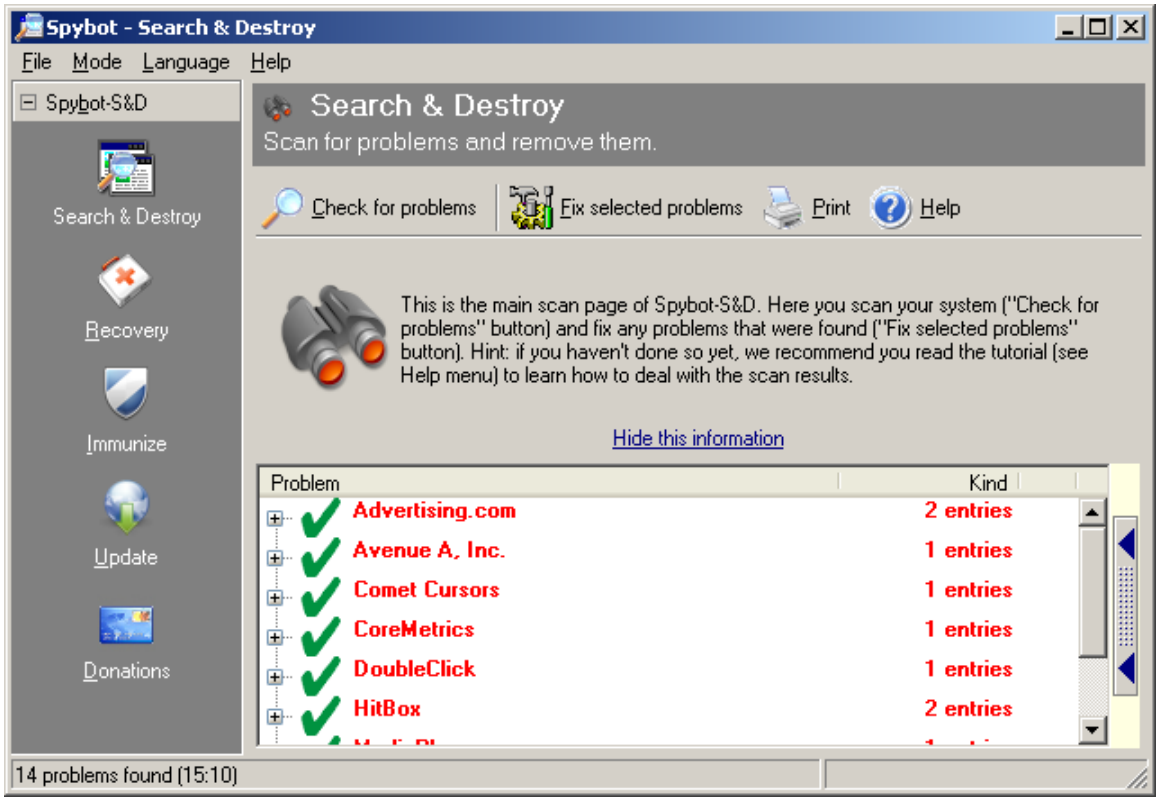
25. When the detection process if finished the results will be displayed in a list toward the bottom of the window. Please click the “fix selected problems” at this point to remove the spyware from your computer.



26. When you click the “fix selected problems” button a widow will come up asking if you would like to remove the entries. Please click the “yes” option to start removing the problems from your PC.



27. When the removal of the issues is complete you will a notice telling you how many of the problems were fixed from you computer. Please click the “ok” when it is done. Sometimes the program will not be able to remove all the issues from you computer. If it does not it will ask you to run spybot the next time your computer starts. You should click no to this option.



28. You have now completed the scan and removal of spyware on your computer. You my now close Spybot. Repeat the scan and removal process once a week to keep your computer free of spyware.