

Internet Safety Tips

Utah Attorney General's Office

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

Peer to Peer (P2P) File Sharing Programs

P2P programs allow many different users to access the same file at the same time. These programs are usually used to illegally download music, pornography, and software.

By installing peer-to-peer software, users may inadvertently or through inattention expose themselves to the risk of worms, viruses, so-called "Trojan horses," and various types of "malware," such as spyware and adware, which can be installed without the user's knowledge and which can be used to monitor the user's web browsing activities, collect personal and private data about the user, such as medical and financial records or privileged or intimate communications, or for other malicious purposes such as disabling your computer or spreading worms and viruses to others. (John G. Malcolm, Deputy Asst Attorney General, US Dept of Justice. October, 2003)

Examples of P2P File Sharing Programs:

BearShare	WinMX	Guncleus	LimeWire
BitTorrent	Ares	KaZaA	Shareaza
Imesh	EDonkey	KCeasy	Soutseek
Morpheus	EMule	K-litePro	Zultrax P2P

Look for the names and/or icons of these and other file-sharing applications on your computer. If any of these applications are found on the computer, talk to your children about why they are using the program and inform them of the danger in doing so. Consider installing filters that will block these types of applications. For more information on these and other P2P networks, go to:

<http://www.wikipedia.org> (search on peer to peer)
<http://security.getnetwise.org/tips/filesharing/>
<http://tcs.cybertipline.com/knowthedangers5.htm>
<http://www.commonsense.com/internet-safety-guide/downloading.php>

Remove Your Personal information from Google

1. Go to Google at <http://www.google.com>
2. Type in your home phone number (e.g., 801-111-2222) and press enter
3. Click on the link [Phonebook results for 801-111-2222](#)
4. Click on the link [Request to have your name removed from this list](#)
5. Fill out the form, then click on the "Submit Form" button.

There are several other web sites (whitepages.com, anywho.com) where you can perform the same function of having your information removed.

How to report an incident of sexual exploitation of a child:

Go to <http://www.Cybertipline.com>

This website will walk you through the steps for reporting an incident of sexual exploitation of a child or you can contact our local Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force directly at 801-514-4287.

Learn Chatroom lingo

LOL:	laughing out loud	A/S/L:	Age, sex, location	LMIRL:	Let's meet in real life
BRB:	Be right back	SN:	Screen Name	POS:	Parent over shoulder
BF:	Best Friend	WTGP:	Want to go private?	IPN:	I'm posting naked