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User Manual

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This guide is devised to lead you through the installation process and general usege of **Shield Antivirus**. Shield Antivirus protects your computer from viruses, ransomware, malware, Trojans, and more.
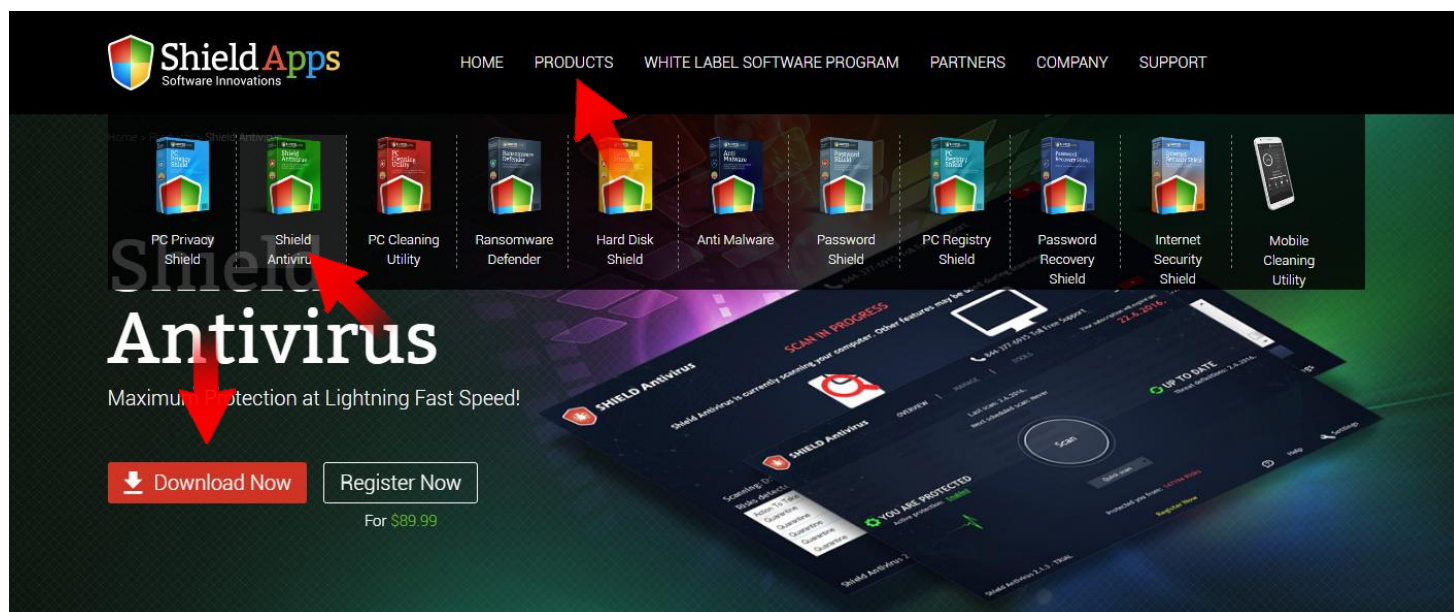
Compatibility

Shield Antivirus supports Windows versions:

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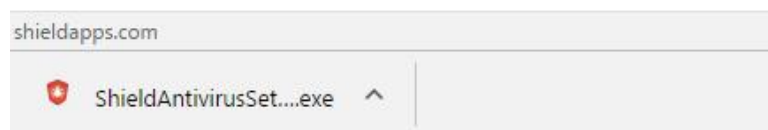
To obtain your copy of Shield Antivirus, please follow the steps below:

✓ Go to ShieldApps.com

✓ Under the **"Products"** menu, choose Shield Antivirus

✓ Click the **"Download Now"** button and save the product on your computer

To initiate the installation process,
double-click the downloaded file icon.
Shield Antivirus' installation process will start promptly.

Click **"Agree and Continue"** to proceed with the installation.
Shield Antivirus features a full operational 30 days free-of-charge trial.

Please note: before you confirm the installation process,
we urge you to read product's terms and conditions **("End User License Agreement")**
by clicking on the relevant link, as shown below.

The installation process includes a vast threats database download, and thus takes a while.
Once downloaded Antivirus' threat database will be up to date and provide
maximum protection.

Once all the files are downloaded and unpacked, Shield Antivirus will launch automatically, and an installation confirmation page will open to confirm a successful installation.

Upon its first run, Shield Antivirus will ask you to either register or continue using a trial version for 30 days.

For a Trial period click **"Continue"**.
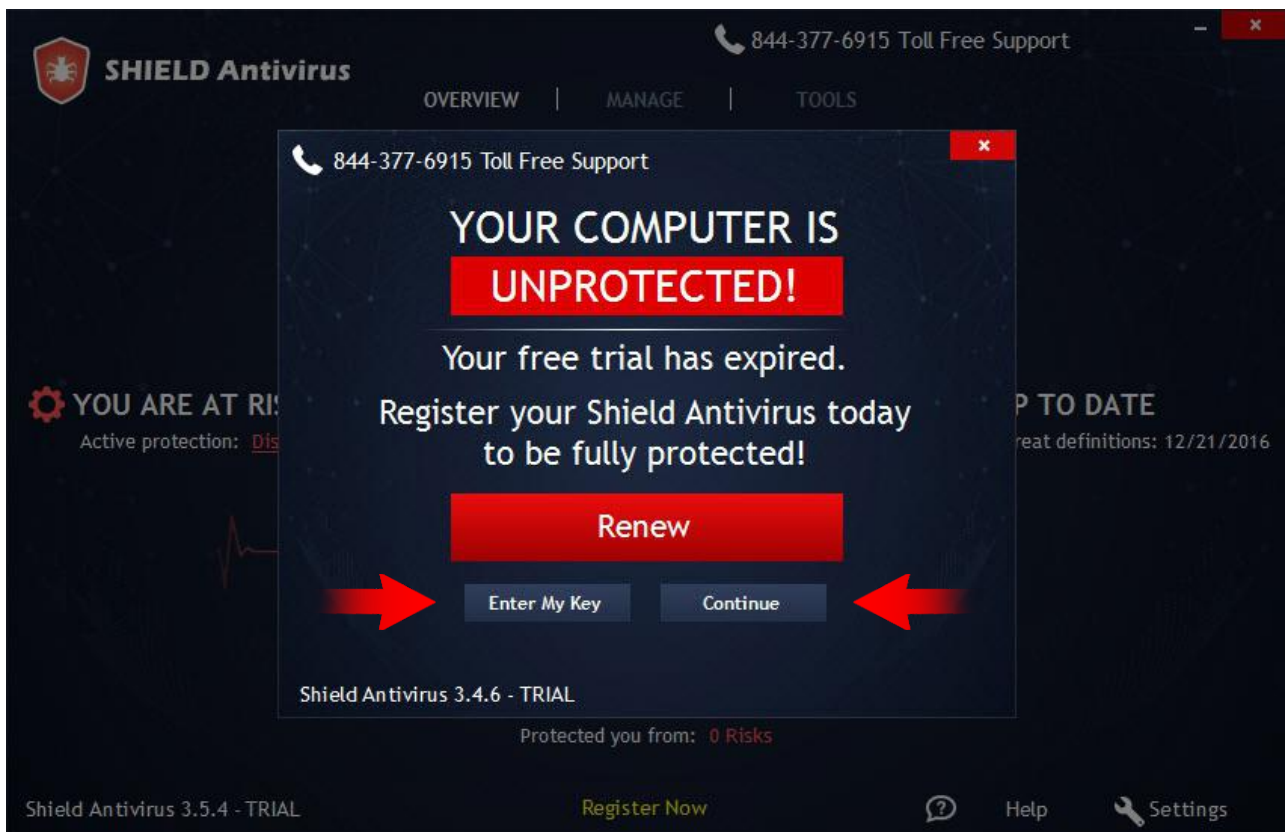
If you have already registered your copy:

- ✔ Enter your full name
- ✔ Enter the email address you have used to register your Shield Antivirus
- ✔ Copy and paste* your key in to the activation box
- ✔ Click "Activate"

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To register your software copy and upgrade to a fully featured premium version:
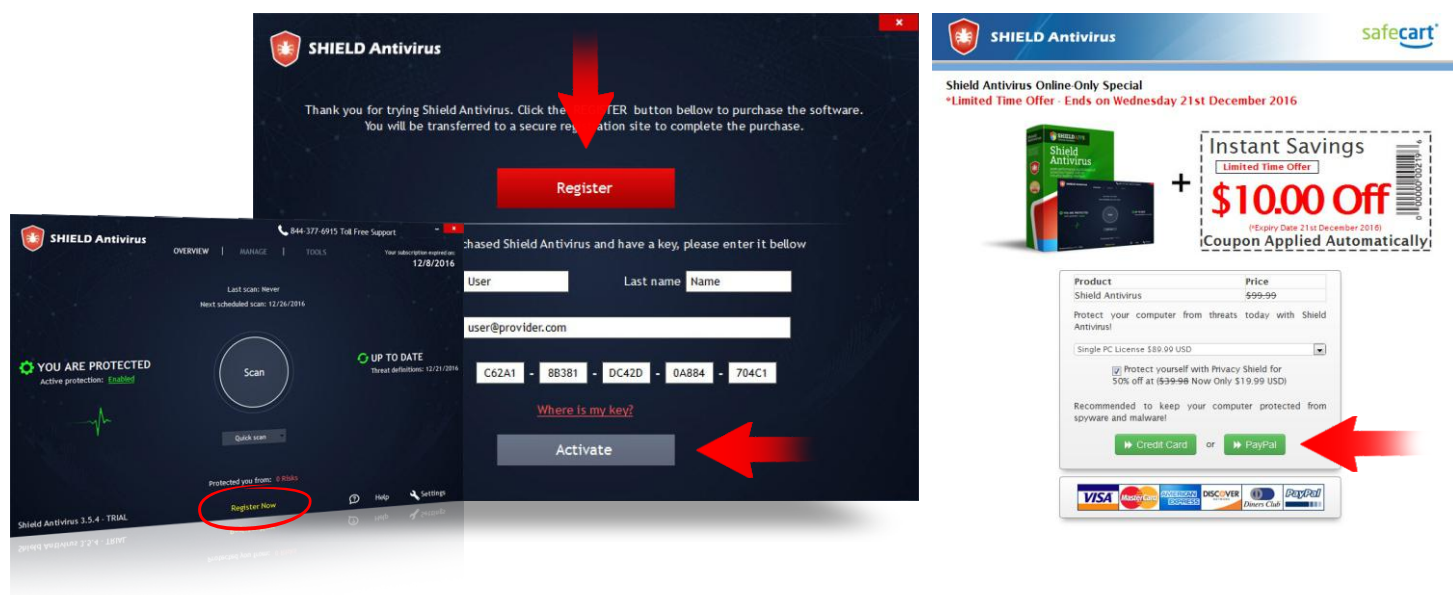
- ✓ Click the **"Register"** button
- ✓ Follow the registration process prompts
- ✓ Upon successful registration, a license key will be delivered to your email address
- ✓ Enter your full name
- ✓ Enter the email address you have used to register your Shield Antivirus
- ✓ Copy and paste it to the activation box
- ✓ Click **"Activate"**

*Hover over the license key with holding left-click to highlight it. Click right-click and select **"Copy".** Go back to the registration box, right-click, choose **"Paste"** from the menu.

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The Overview page displays the main information needed for the every-day use of Shield Antivirus.
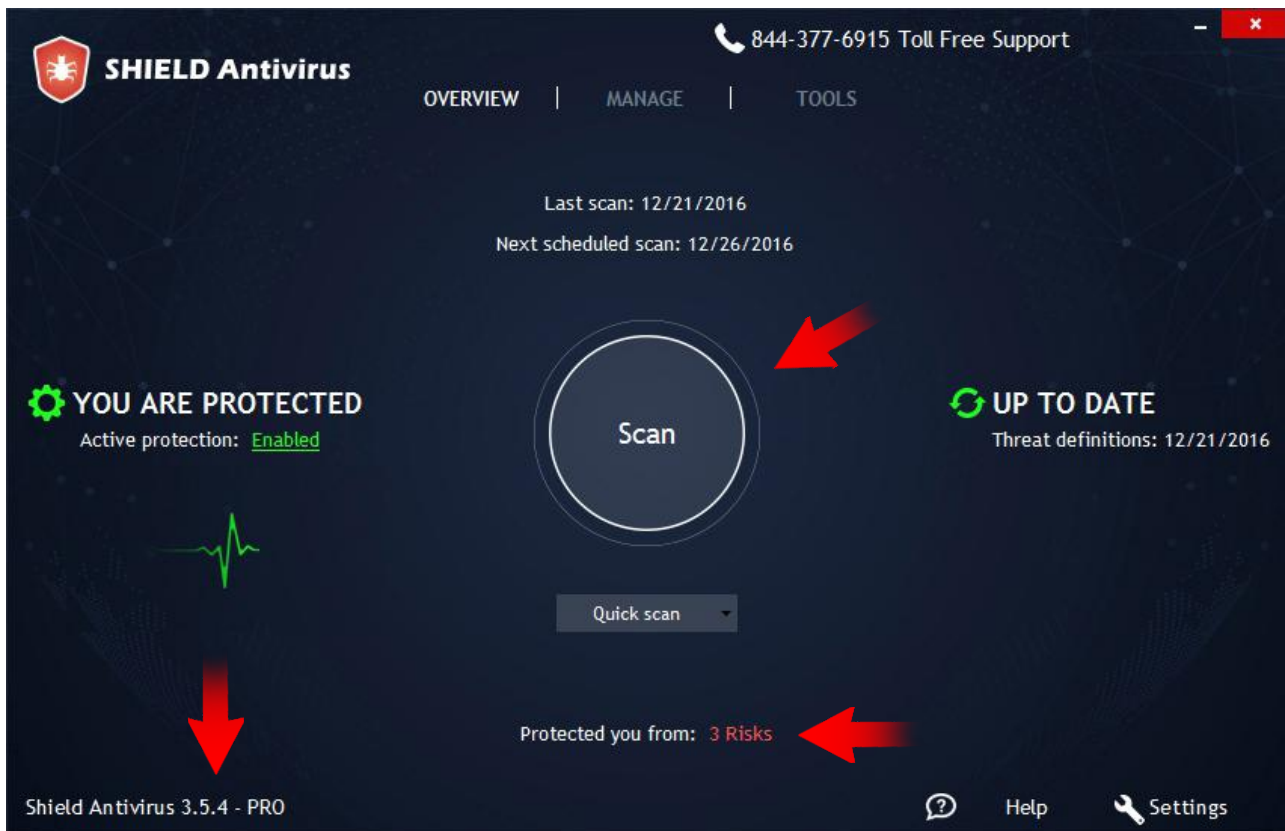
Everything from a basic scan, the software version, the number of threats detected and prevented infections will be displayed here.

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The center button will start a scan when clicked. Below it there
is a drop down menu with the type of scans available.
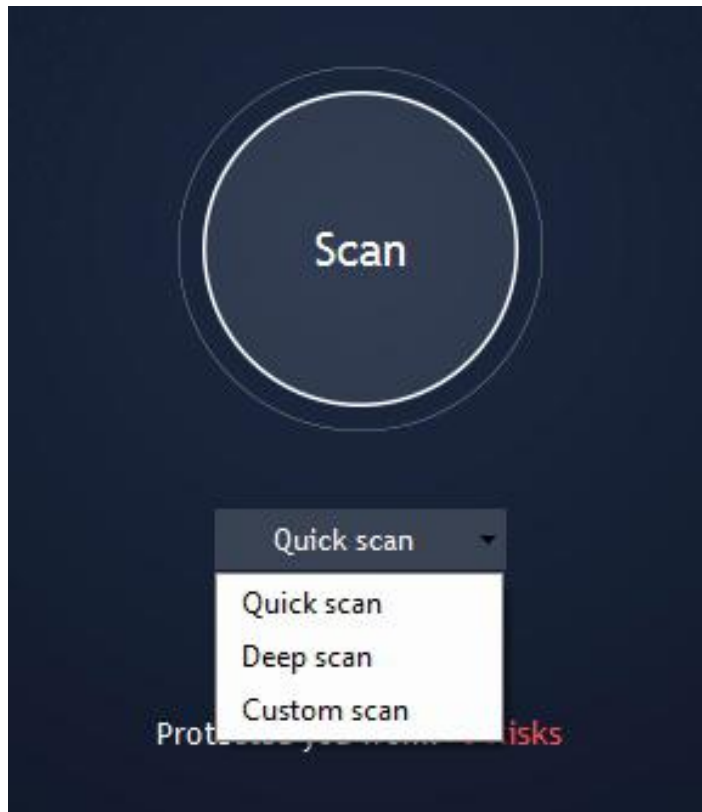
Pick either:

✓ **"Quick Scan"**
✓ **"Deep Scan"**
✓ **"Custom Scan"**

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Quick Scan

This scan will run through the system, and look for common hazards. It takes just a few minutes before a full threats-report to display with relevant concerts and suggested actions.
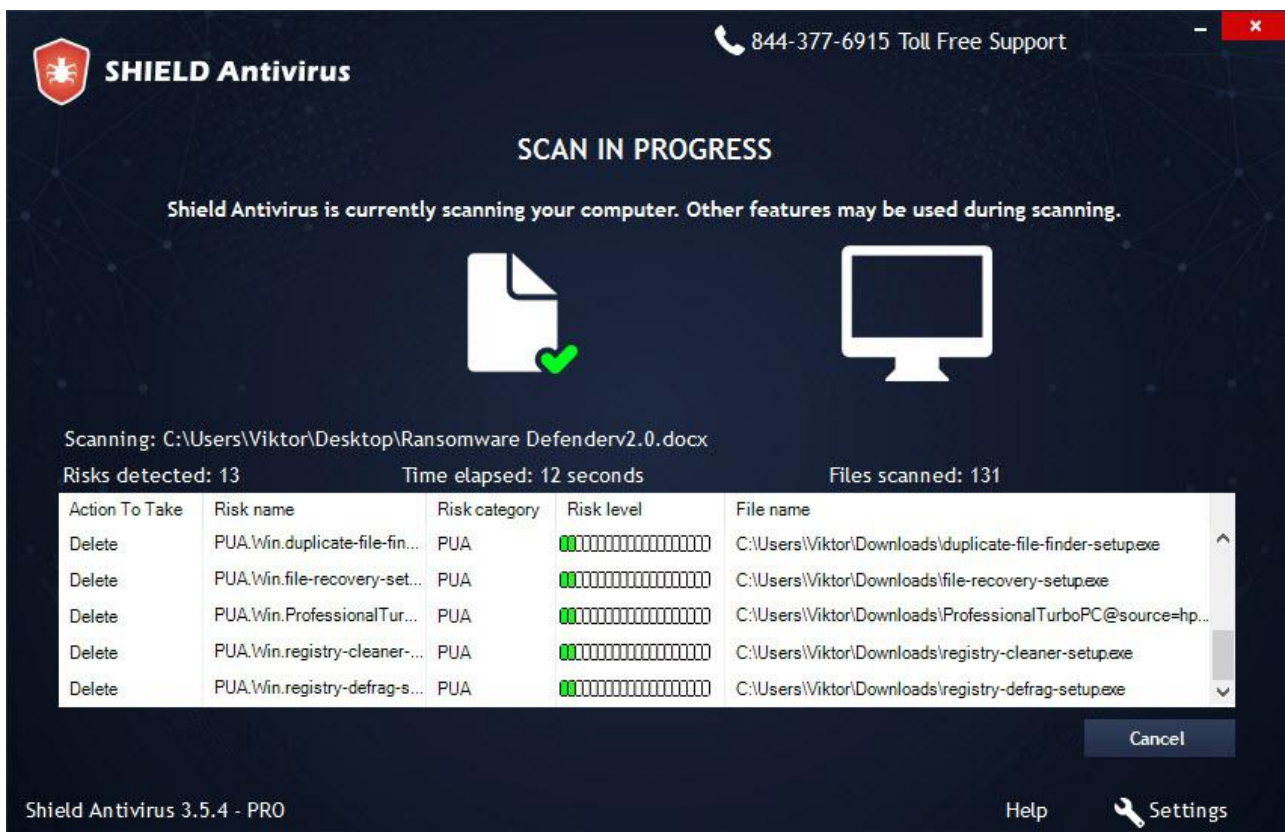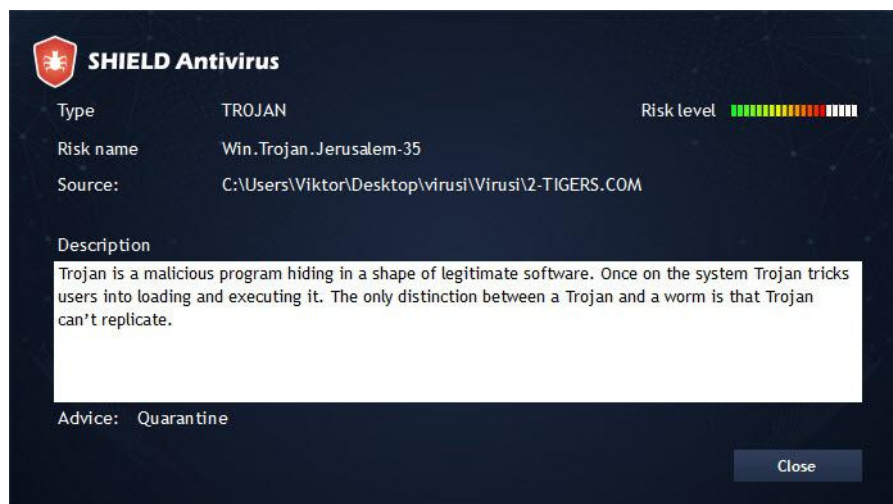
Once the scan is complete, a full list of threats, their name, risk level and location on the computer will be displayed.

To see the details for any of the found treats:

✔ Click on a threat
✔ Click **"Risk Details"**

Cleaning methods are placed below. By default, if **"Clean Now"** button is pressed a recommended action is taken.

To change the default settings:

✔ Click on the drop-down menu
✔ Choose between **"Recommended Action"**, **"Quarantine"**, **"Delete"** and **"Ignore"**
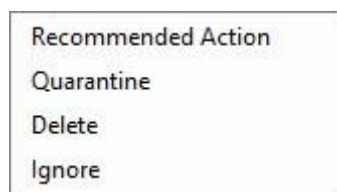
Pick an action and click **"Done"**. The software will return to the Overview page.

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Deep Scan

This option provides a deeper, more thorough scan of the system. Thanks to advanced algorithms, the software is able to look into deeper levels for possible active or dormant threats.

This scan takes a bit longer, as each level of folders includes thousands of files to be scanned. Once the scan is complete, the results and actions will appear.

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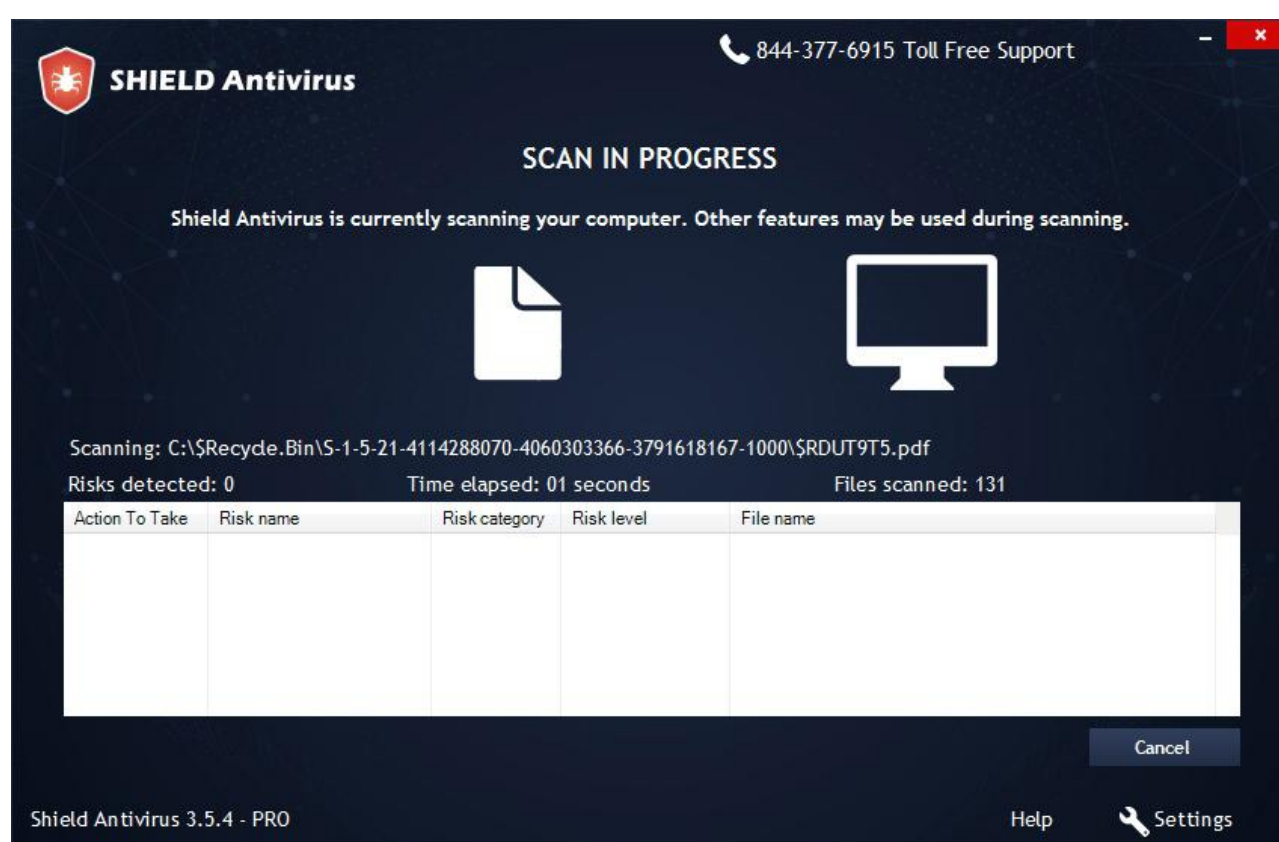
Custom Scan

This option is devised for special scans. If some file or folder are suspected to be infected click **"Add Folder"** and that specific folder will be scanned for threats.
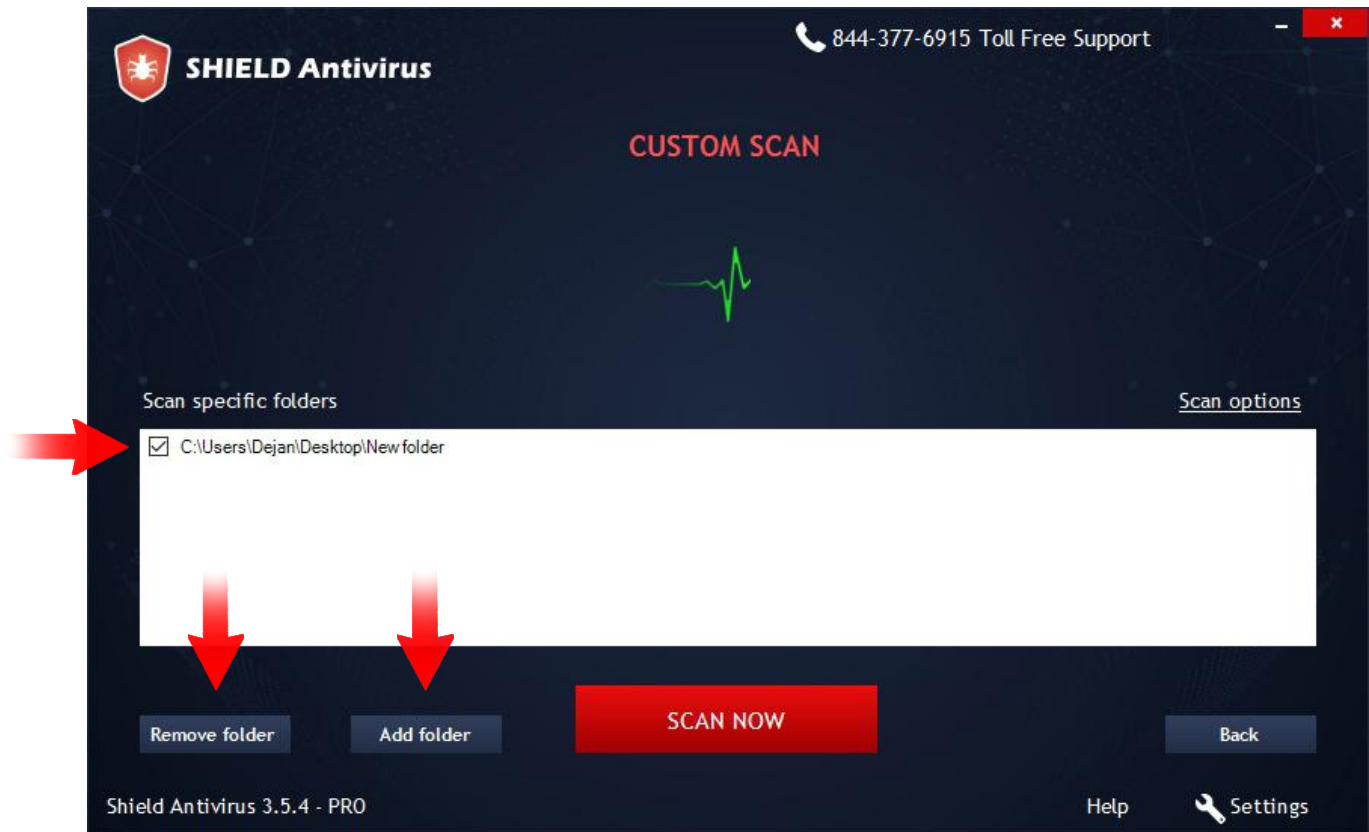
There's no limitation on a number of files and folders that can be added. To remove a folder from the list, check the box next to its name, and click **"Remove Folder"**.

The Manage tab provides additional tools and information. Each feature has its own page and settings.
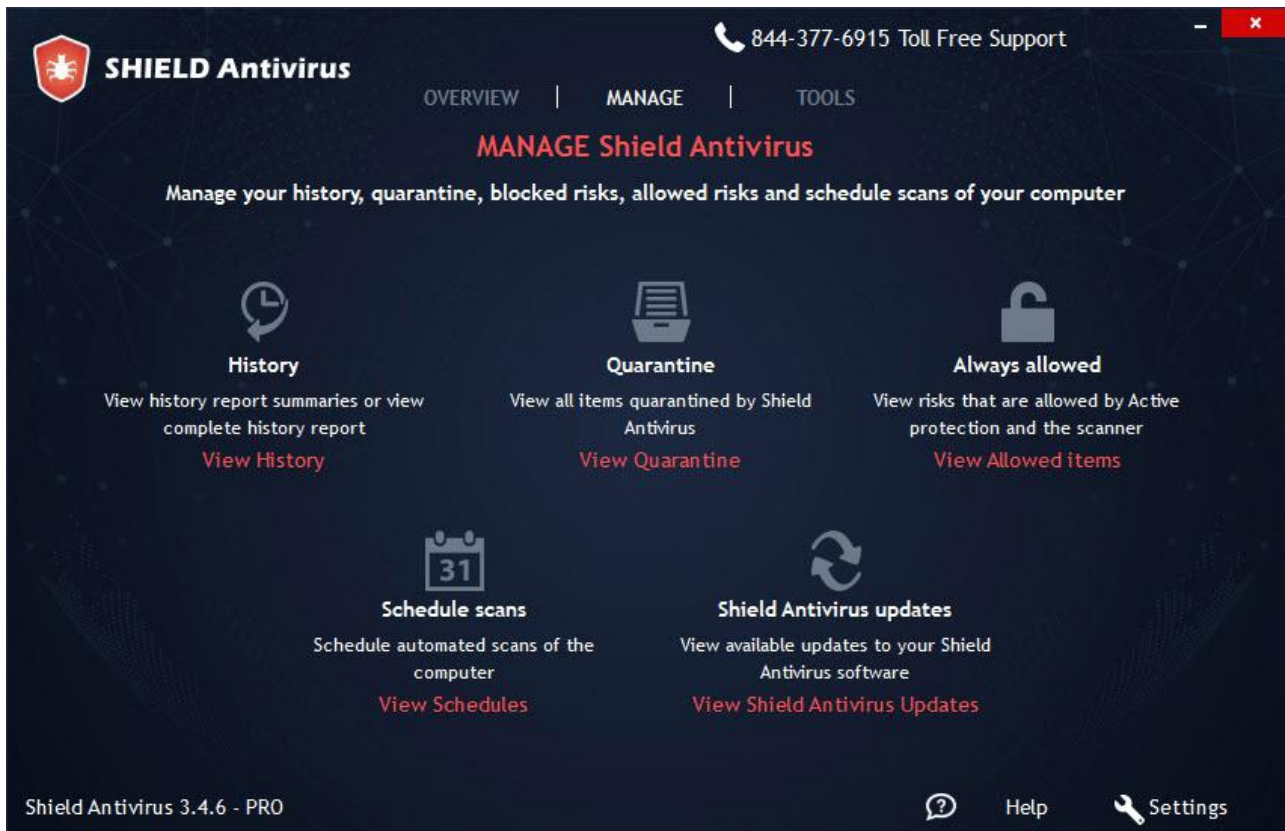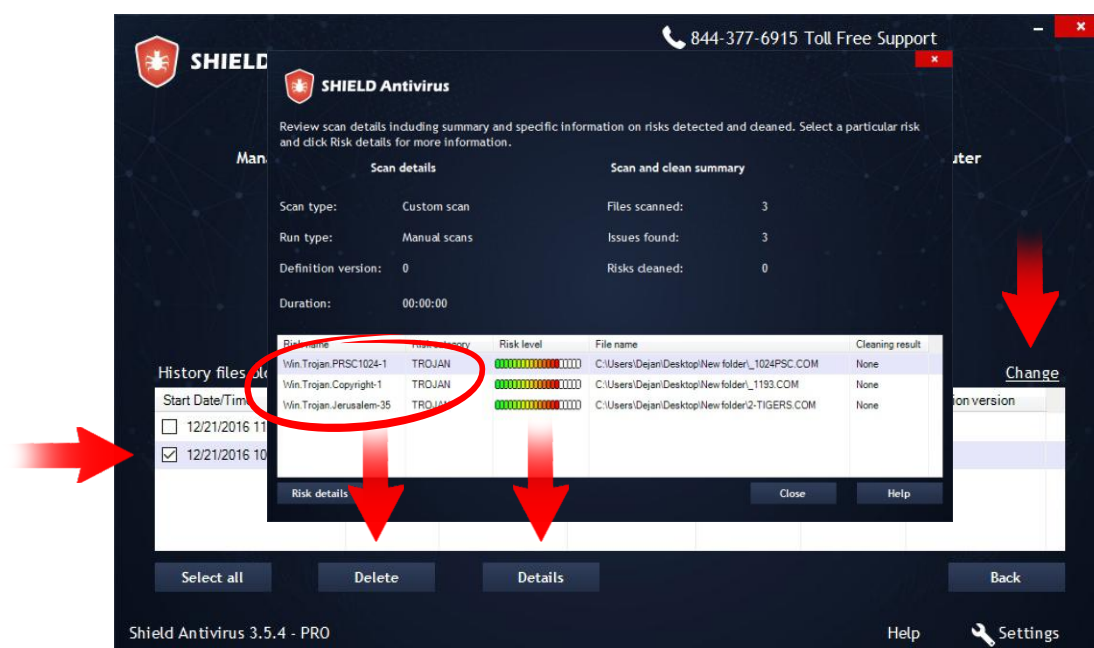

Manage tab contains:

✓ **"History"**
✓ **"Quarantine"**
✓ **"Always Allowed"**
✓ **"Scheduled Scans"**
✓ **"Shield Antivirus Update"**

History

This feature contains information about the history of scans and cleaning actions. To check the details of any scan click on the **"Details"** button.

Each history log can be manually removed:

- ✓ Check the box next to the log
- ✓ Click **"Delete"** button

To automate this operation:

- ✓ Click **"Change"** (right side of the list)
- ✓ Choose to keep the entire history or remove anything older than specified number of days

Quarantine

This feature holds the information about every malicious file that has been in the quarantine.

To remove it permanently, click **"Delete From Computer"**, to put it back to use click **"Restore From Quarantine"**.
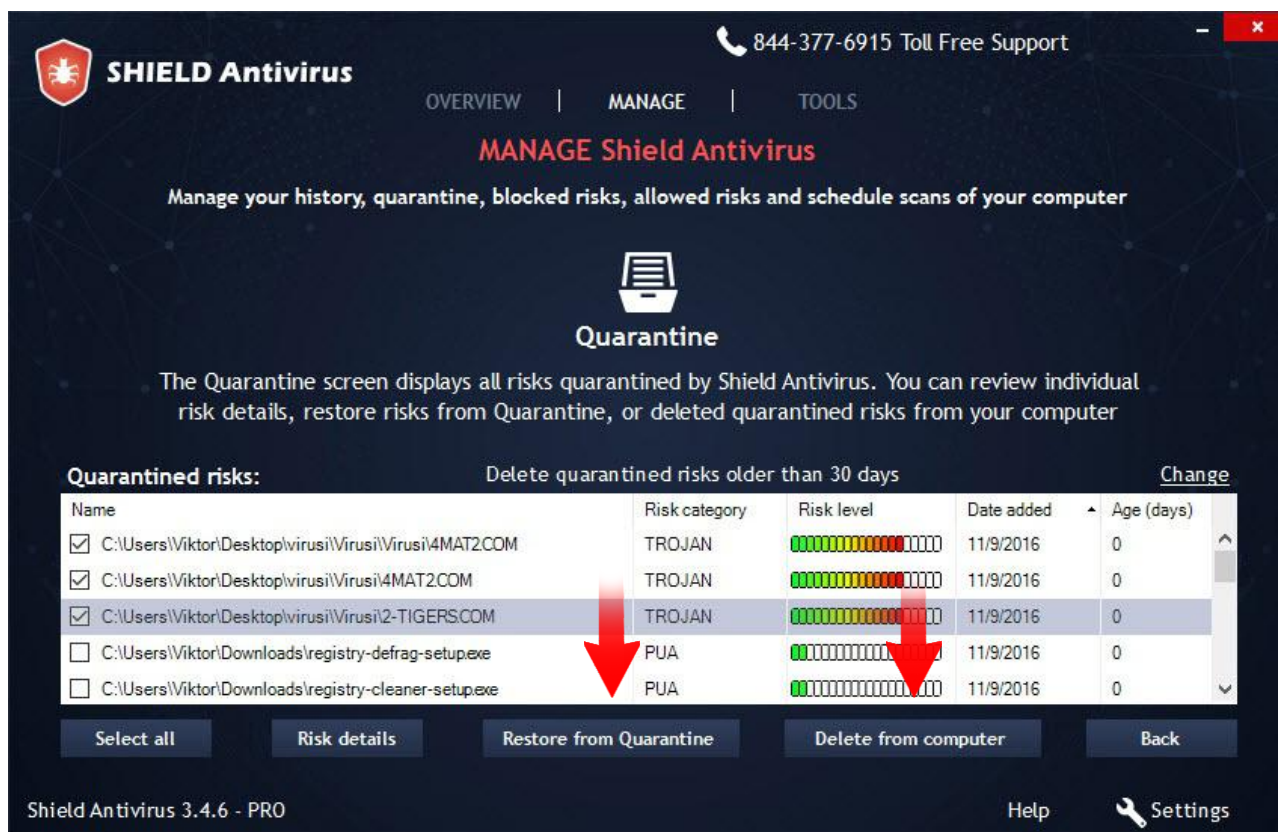
When threats are restored, the software seeks action confirmation. Also, the software will offer to place the file inside the **"Always Allowed"** section.
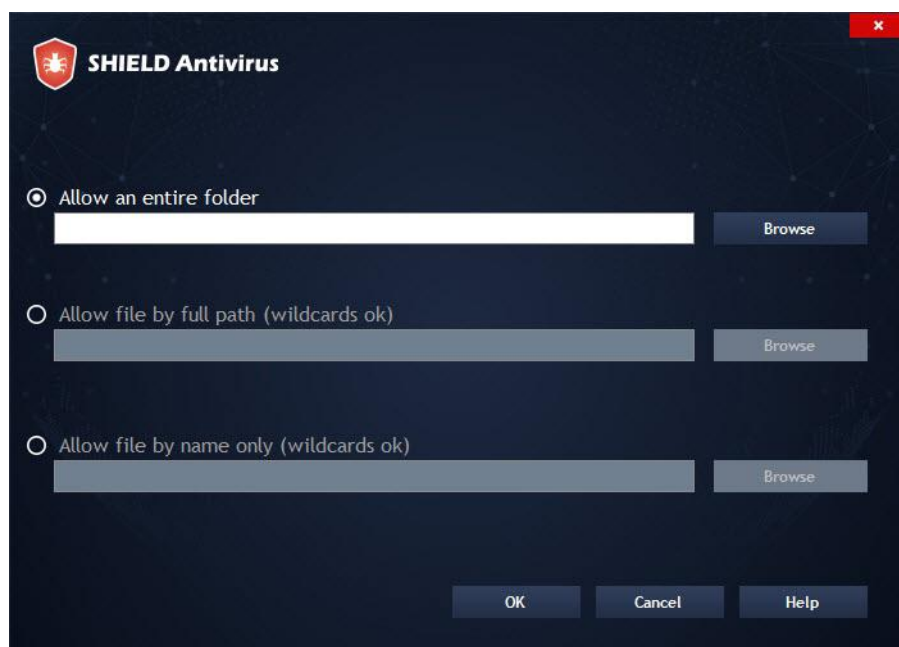

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Always Allowed

This section is used to list pre-approved files and prevent their scanning and detection by Shield Antivirus' engine.
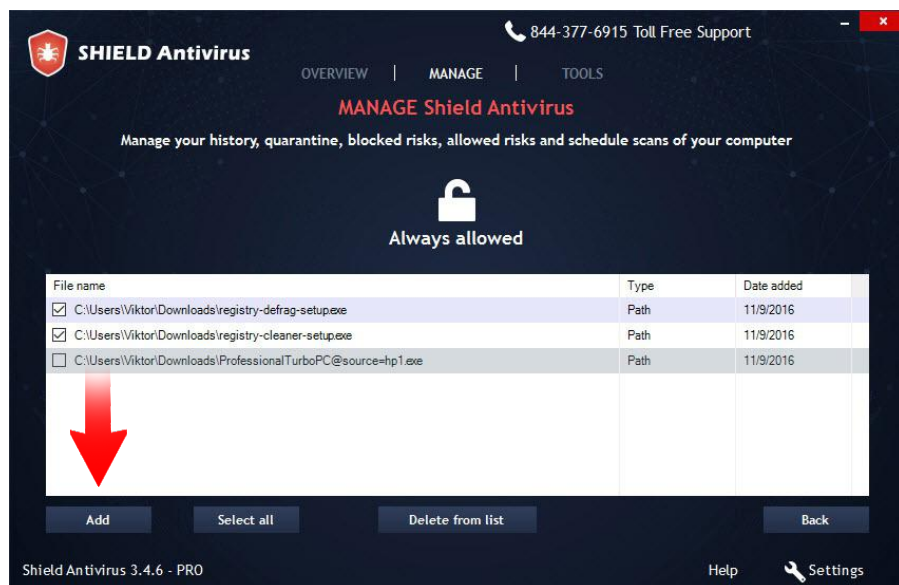
To exclude files from being scanned:

- ✓ Click **"Add"** button
- ✓ Find the file's location
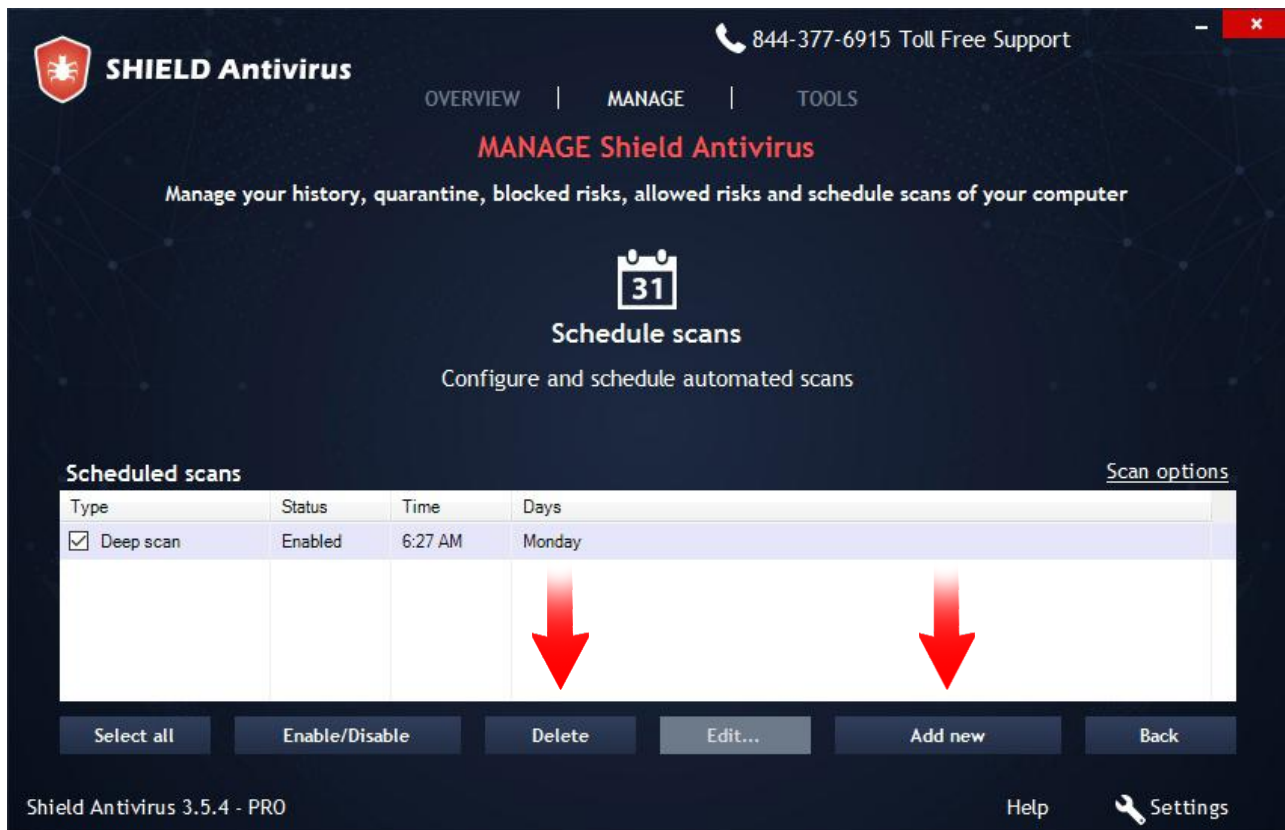- ✓ Confirm

There is no limit to the list and files can be added or removed at all times.

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Schedule Scans

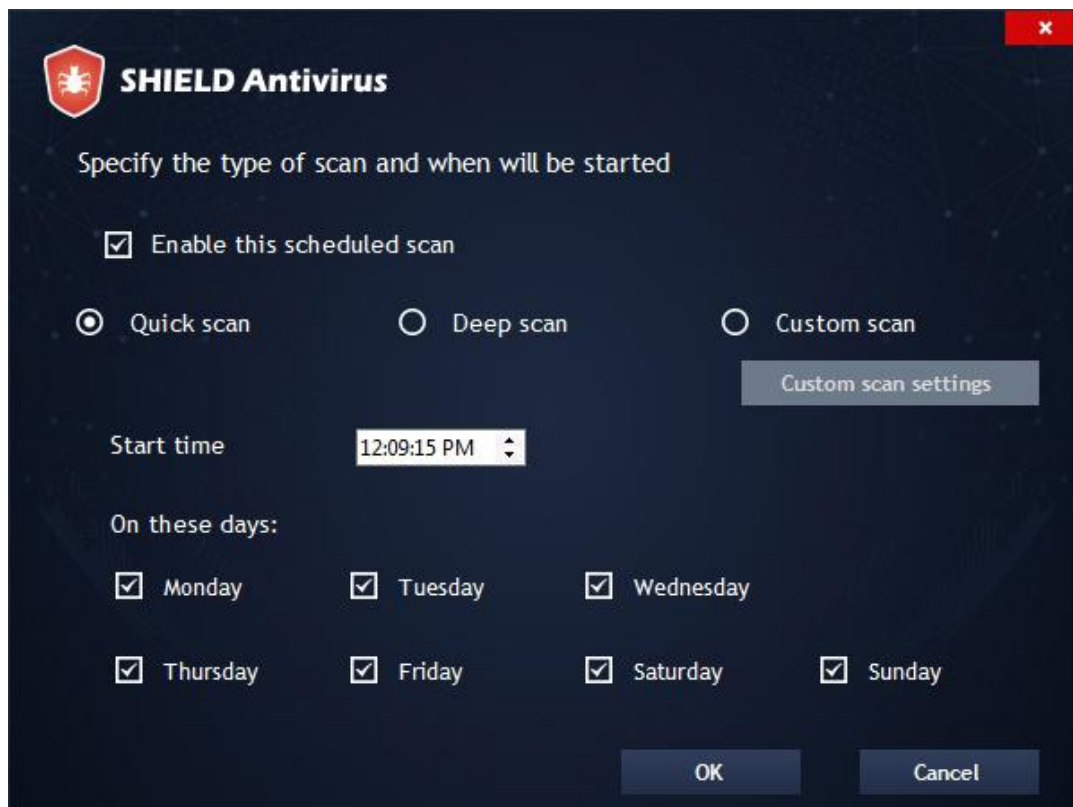This feature allows the software to be fully automated.

Numerous schedules can be created with the precisely defined time, date and type of scan.

Multiple schedules are available. While the **"Delete"** button removes every scheduled scan which has a checked box.

To create a scheduled scan/clean:

✔ Click **"Add New"**
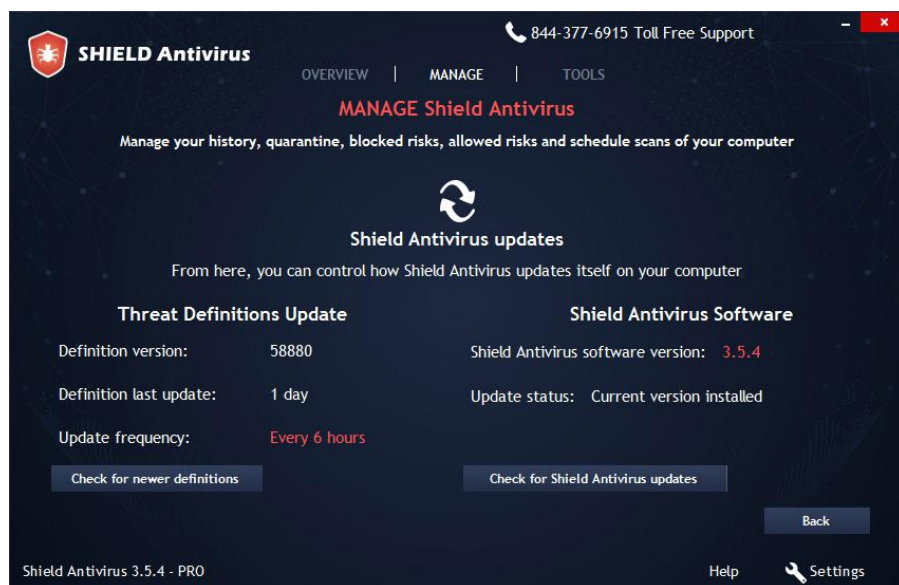✔ Set the time of the scan
✔ Pick a type of scan
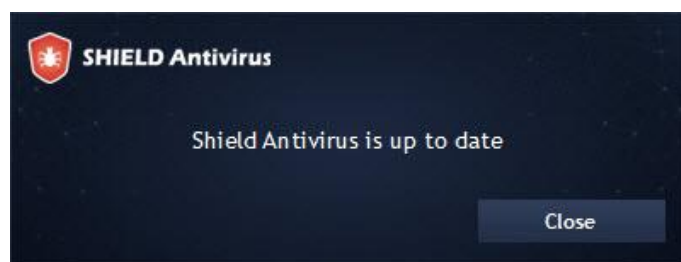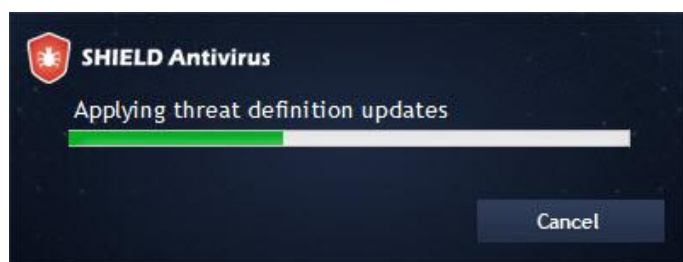
Shield Antivirus Updates

By default, Shield Antivirus is set to update everything automatically.

To check for updates manually:

- ✔ Click **"Check For Shield Antivirus Updates"**
- ✔ Click **"Check For Newer Definitions"**

The page also displays detailed information about the current version of both software and definitions installed on the computer.

If there are software or threat database updates, their download and installation will begin instantly. If not, the software will display a message about already having the latest version.
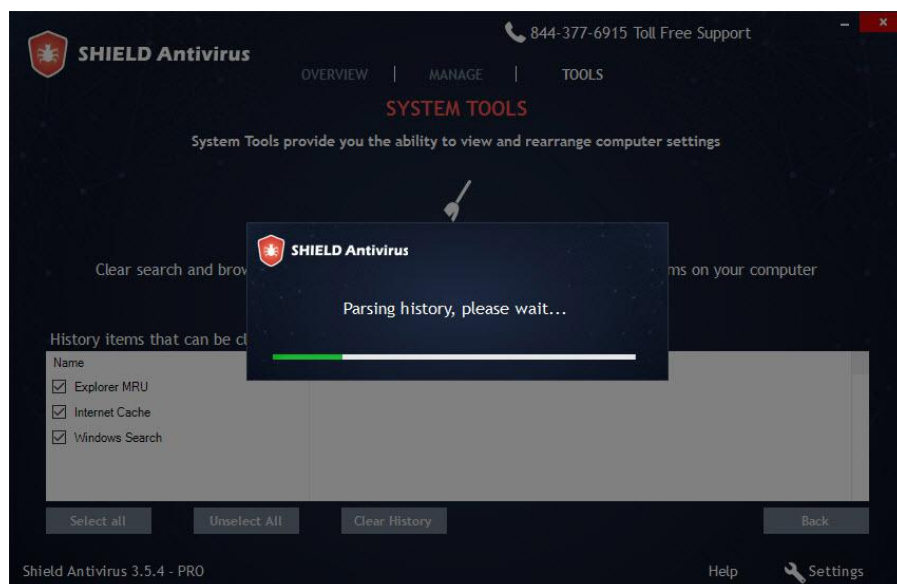
Shield Antivirus can be used for more than just virus protection. The additional tools can improve privacy, PC's performance and support proper hard drive maintenance.
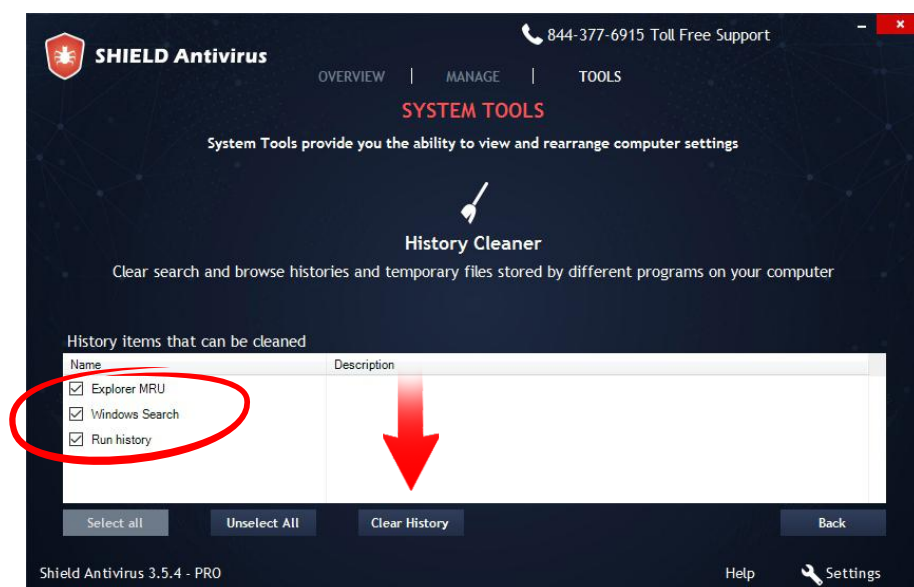
History Cleaner

This tool searches through the usage records of your browser, allowing its complete removal.

At the same time,
the software
looks for temporary files
created by an application
on the system and supports
its deletion as well.

To remove potential privacy
concerns and junk files from
the hard drive,
click **"Clear History"**.
Check the box next to the
name of the history/program
if you wish to selectively
delete specific items.

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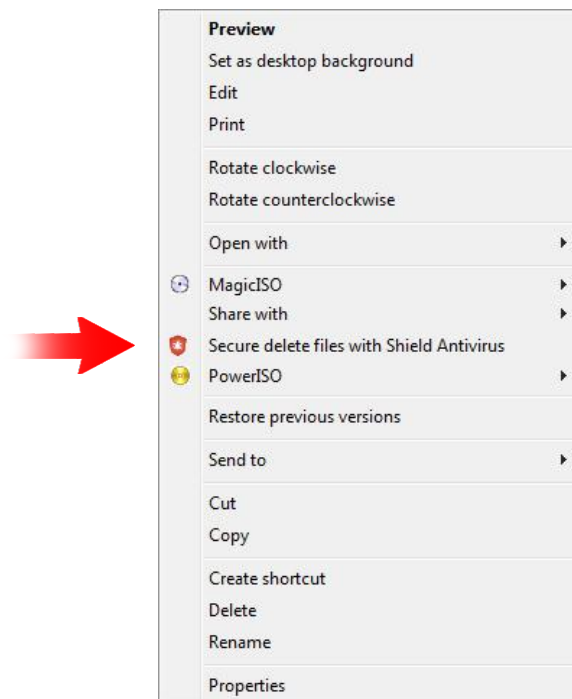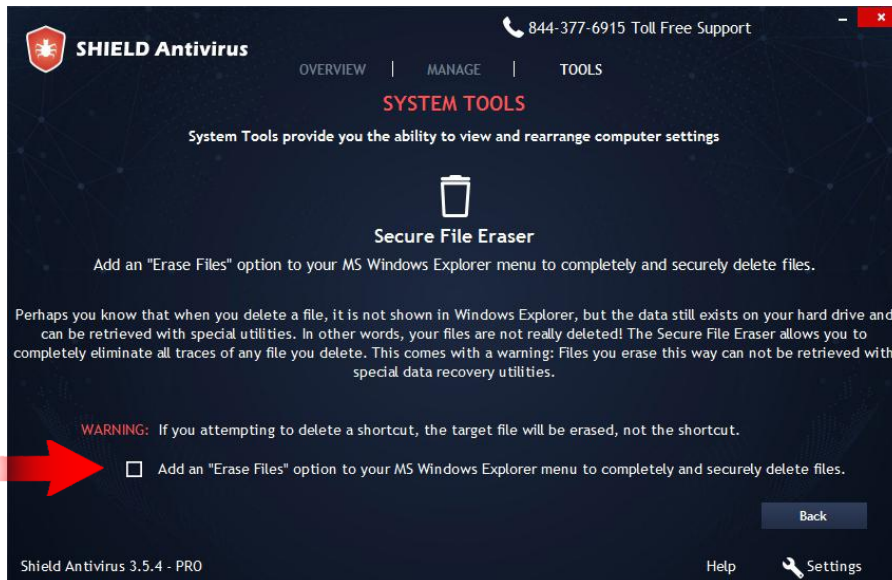**ShieldApps**
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Secure File Eraser

This tool adds a right-click item to your standard right-click menu that allows safe deletion of files on your computer.


To turn on this tool:

✔ Check
   "Add an Erase File" box
✔ A new option will be
   added to the
   right-click menu

Start-Up Manger

This tool allows you to control which programs are launched by default upon reboot/startup of your computer.

Some software automatically add themselves to the startup sequence and make it slower and more time consuming, so removing those from the startup process will speed up boot time.
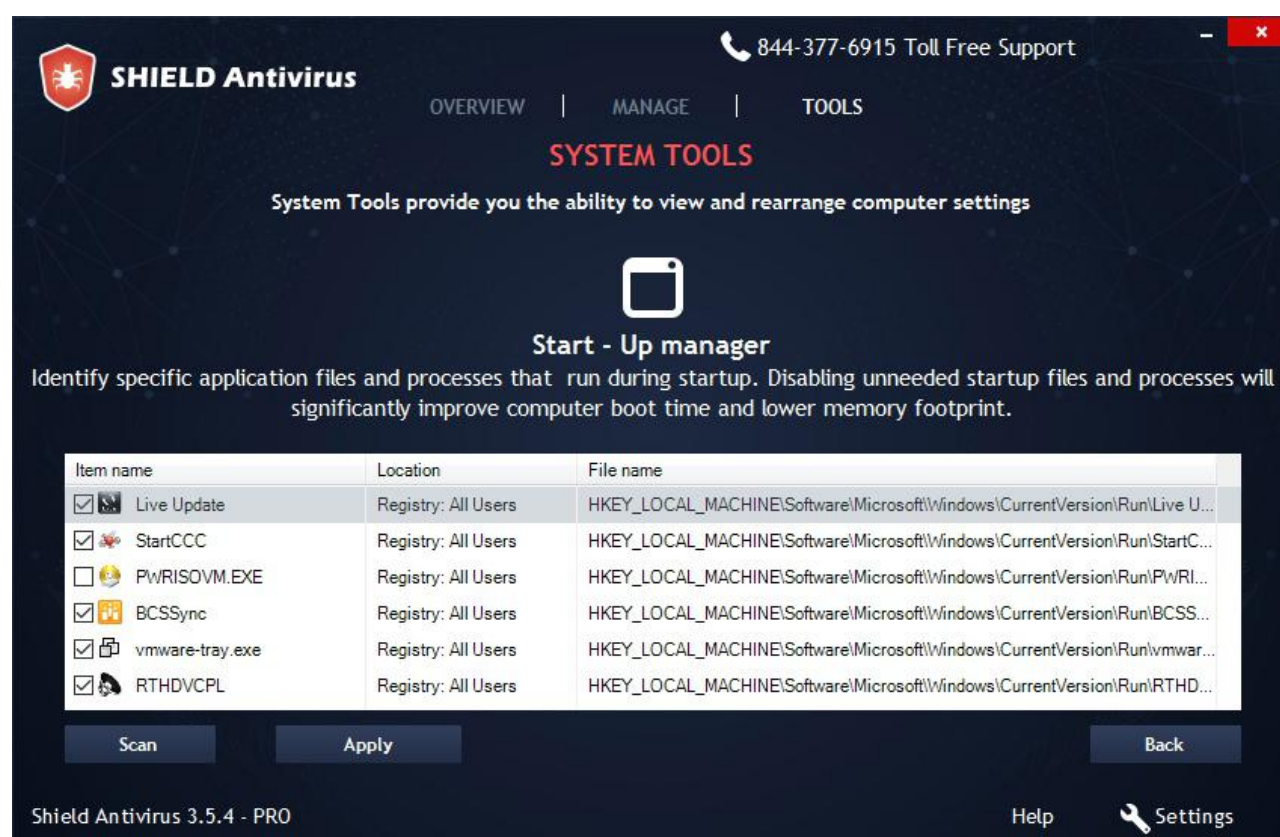
**To pick which software will start alongside with the system:**

✔ Click **"Scan"**

✔ By clicking the box next to the software's icon pick which will start with the system

✔ Click **"Apply"**

Each software's option can be tweaked, changed or adjusted from within the settings menu. Some additional tools are also available in this menu.
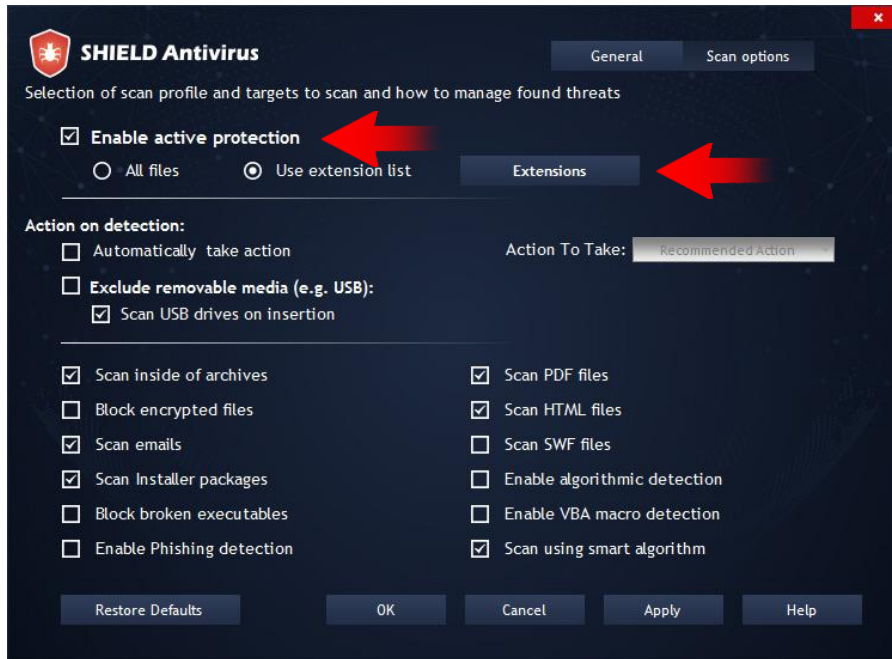
General

Regular settings, definitions update and language (11 different) are adjusted here.
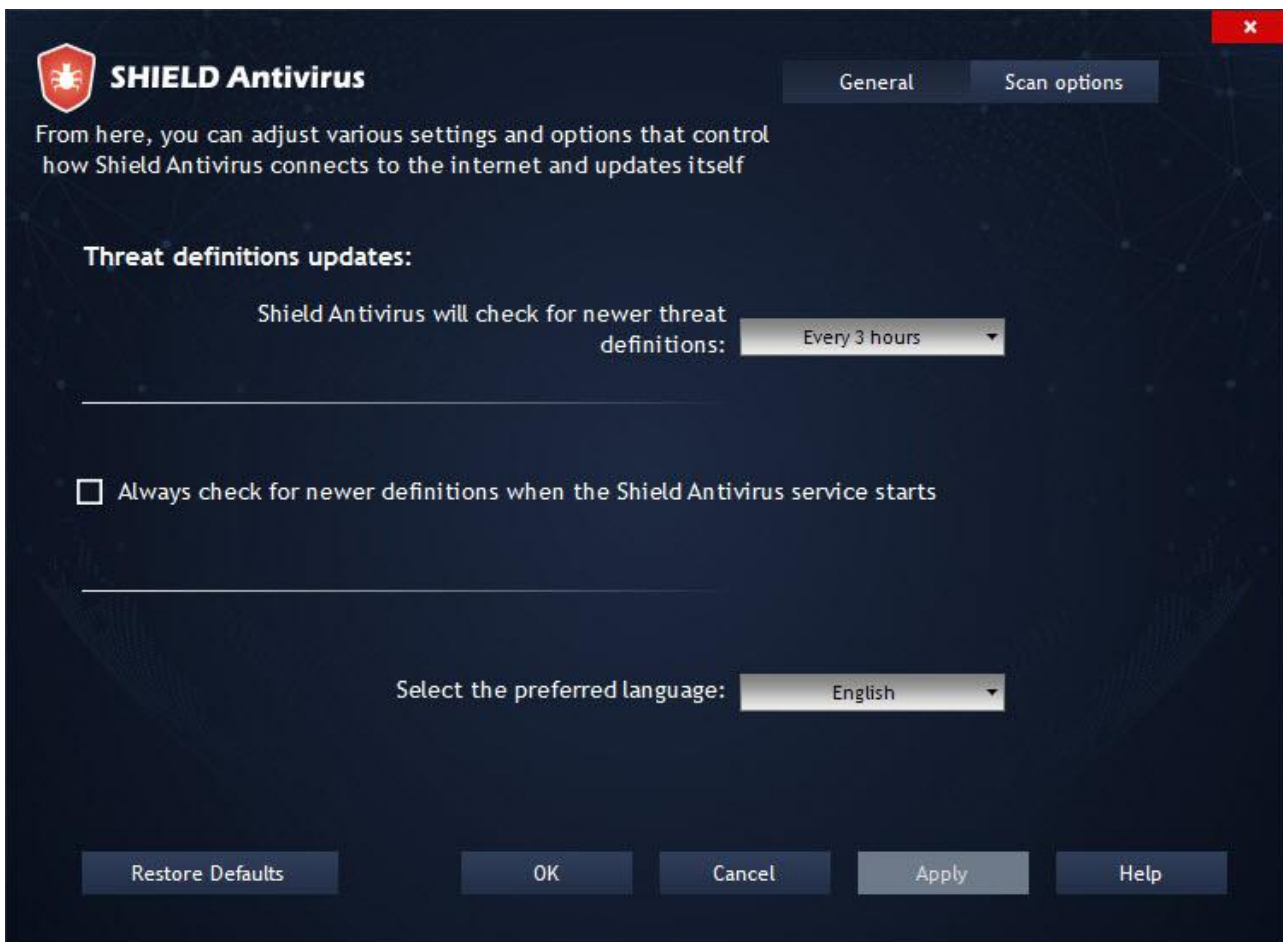
Scan Options

This tab contains protection details. Scan areas, type of files and extensions that are scanned are all defined in this tab.

Active protection allows real-time notifications in a form of a prompt window every time a new threat is found.

Once the threat is found the software offers a few options:

- ✔ **"Delete"**
- ✔ **"Quarantine"**
- ✔ **"Ignore"**

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Active protection can be standard for all the files on the computer, but it can also be specified for the type of files which will be closely monitored.
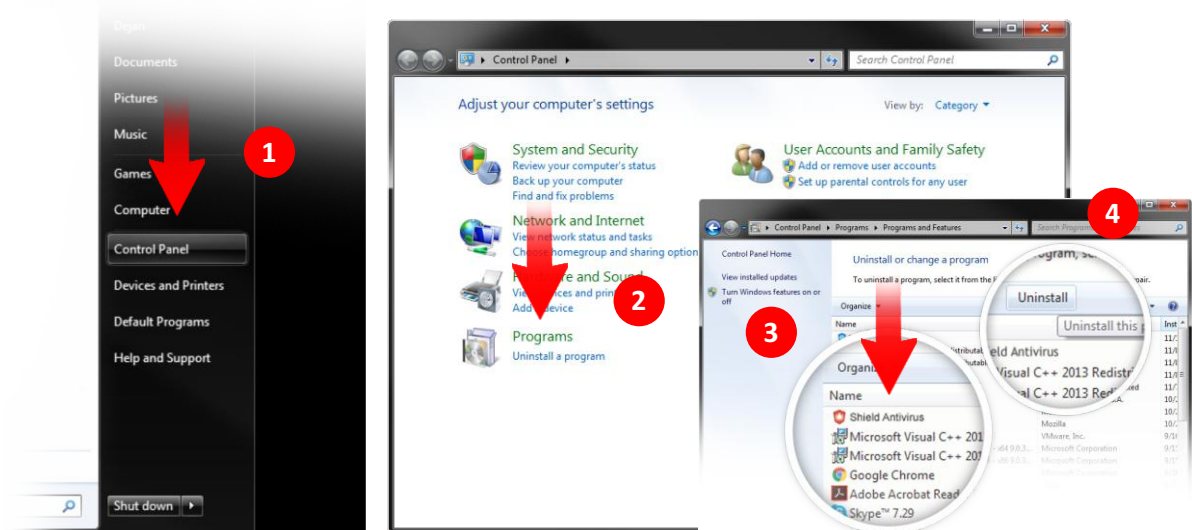

To extend or reduce the list of files that are scanned:

✓ Check **"Use Extension List"**
✓ Open **"Extensions"** menu
✓ Check on uncheck extensions for scanning

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Uninstall

To remove the software from the PC:

1   Go to Windows Control Panel

2   Locate **"Programs"** – **"Uninstall a Program"**

3   Locate Shield Antivirus

4   Click **"Uninstall"**

Once the uninstall is complete a confirmation page will open.

Shield Antivirus is now completely removed!