

How to Exclude a File or Folder from Antivirus Scans

if you are facing issues installing Flarial due to antivirus tools removing it when downloading, read through this document.

We have collected a few methods on fixing most of the issues you are probably having.

Video Tutorial

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e0MnkZPTwio>

Bitdefender Total Security

- Open Bitdefender.
- Click on 'Protection' from the left-side menu.
- Under the 'Antivirus' panel, click 'Open'.
- Go to the 'Settings' tab, then click on 'Manage Exceptions'.
- Click 'Add an Exception'.
- Choose the file or folder you want to exclude and click 'OK'.
- Ensure the checkboxes for both 'On-access scanning' and 'On-demand scanning' are selected.

Official guide: <https://www.bitdefender.com/consumer/support/answer/13427/>

Norton 360 Deluxe

- Open Norton and click on 'Settings'.
- Click 'Antivirus', then go to the 'Scans and Risks' tab.
- Scroll down to 'Items to Exclude from Scans' and click 'Configure [+]'.
- In the window that appears, click 'Add Files' or 'Add Folders'.
- Browse and select the file or folder you want to exclude.
- Click 'OK' to confirm the exclusion.

Official guide: <https://support.norton.com/sp/en/us/home/current/solutions/v3672136>

McAfee Total Protection

- Open McAfee.
- Click the gear icon for 'Settings' in the top right corner.
- Select 'Real-Time Scanning'.
- Click 'Excluded Files', then 'Add File' or 'Add Folder'.
- Browse to select the file or folder and click 'Open'.

Official guide: <https://www.mcafee.com/support/?articleId=000001661>

Kaspersky Premium

- Open Kaspersky.
- Click on 'Settings' (gear icon).
- Select 'Security Settings', then 'Threats and Exclusions'.
- Click 'Manage exclusions' and then 'Add'.
- Specify the file or folder path and the type of exclusion (scan, real-time, etc.).
- Click 'Add' to save the exclusion.

Official guide: <https://support.kaspersky.com/us/common/settings/14687>

Avast One

- Open Avast and click on 'Menu', then 'Settings'.
- Navigate to 'General', then 'Exceptions'.
- Click 'Add Exception'.
- Browse to select or type the path of the file or folder you want to exclude.
- Click 'Add Exception' to confirm.

Official guide: <https://support.avast.com/en-us/article/antivirus-scan-exclusions/>

Microsoft Defender

- Open Windows Security.
- Click 'Virus & threat protection'.
- Under 'Virus & threat protection settings', click 'Manage settings'.
- Scroll down to 'Exclusions' and click 'Add or remove exclusions'.
- Click 'Add an exclusion' and choose 'File', 'Folder', 'File type', or 'Process'.
- Select the item you want to exclude.

Official guide: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/virus-and-threat-protection-in-the-windows-security-app-1362f4cd-d71a-b52a-0b66-c2820032b65e>

Malwarebytes Premium

- Open Malwarebytes.
- Go to 'Settings', then 'Allow List'.
- Click 'Add' and choose the type (File or Folder).
- Browse to select the file or folder.
- Click 'Done' to confirm.

Official guide: <https://support.malwarebytes.com/hc/en-us/articles/360038519194>

Sophos Home Premium

- Log in to the Sophos Home dashboard online.
- Select the device you want to configure.
- Go to 'Protection' > 'Exclusions'.
- Click 'Add an Item'.
- Select File, Folder, or Application and specify the path.
- Click 'Save'.

Official guide: <https://support.home.sophos.com/hc/en-us/articles/360038138812>

Webroot SecureAnywhere

- Open Webroot.
- Click the gear icon next to 'PC Security'.
- Select the 'Block/Allow Files' tab.
- Click 'Add File', then browse to select the file you want to exclude.
- Set it to 'Allow'.

Official guide: https://docs.webroot.com/us/en/home/wsa_pc_userguide/wsa_pc_userguide.htm#ManagingQuarantineAndOverrides/CreatingOverrides.htm

TotalAV

- Open TotalAV.
- Go to 'Settings'.
- Select 'Exclusions'.
- Click 'Add Folder' or 'Add File'.
- Browse to the item you want to exclude and confirm.

Official guide: <https://support.totalav.com/en/kb/articles/how-to-exclude-files-or-folders-from-scans>