


## Updating Virus Definition Files for VirusScan 4.5.1

You can use AutoUpdate to update VirusScan virus definition files (also known as DAT files). You can use AutoUpdate to do a one-time update your files immediately or schedule AutoUpdate to run on a regular basis. You must have a network connection that is active when AutoUpdate runs. *Updating is important to ensure that your virus software is always up to date so it can give you the best protection possible from recently discovered viruses!*

### Run AutoUpdate Now

This sequence of steps uses **AutoUpdate** to do a one time update of your VirusScan virus definition files (also known as DAT files) immediately.

1. **Double click** on the McAfee VirusScan Scheduler icon , a small magnifying glass, on the right hand corner of Windows task bar.
2. **Double click** on the **AutoUpdate** icon on the VirusScan Console.

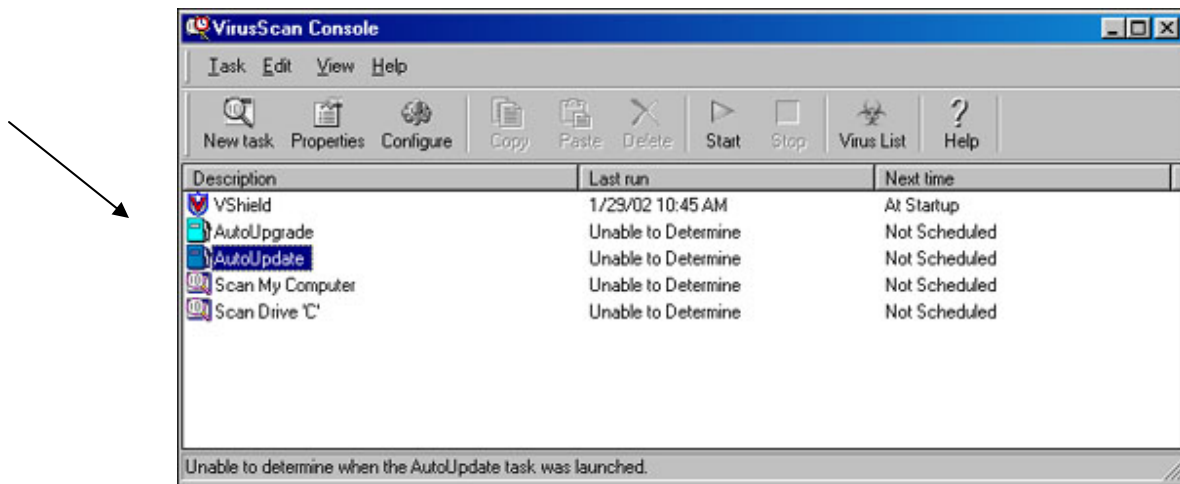


Fig. 1 VirusScan Console

The VirusScan **Task Properties** window shown in Fig. 2 will be displayed.

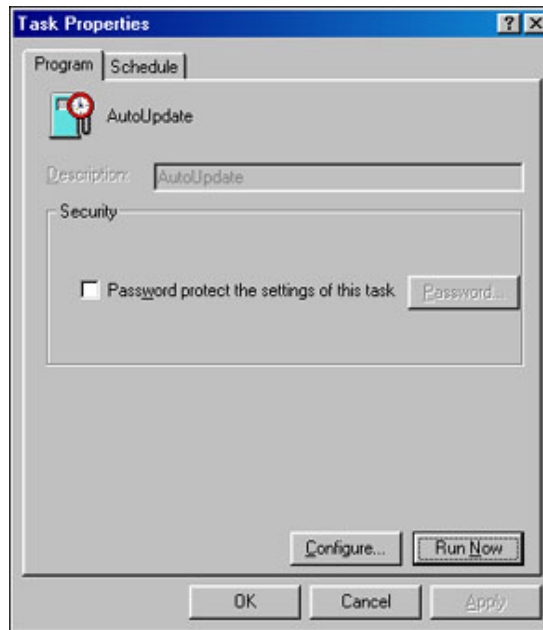



Fig. 2 VirusScan Task Properties - Program Tab

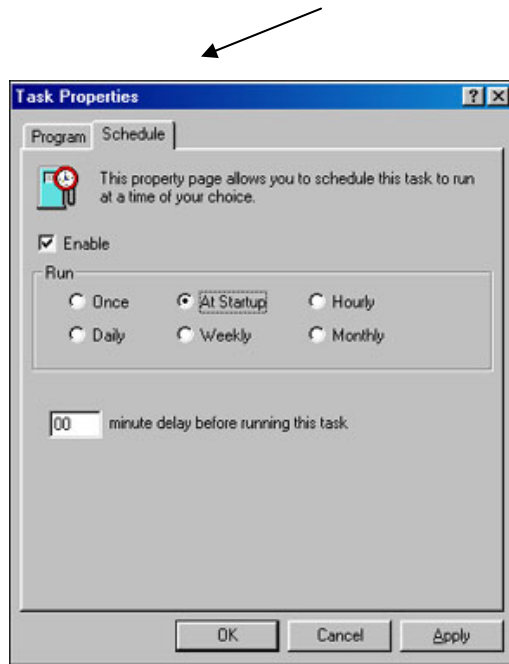
3. To update your virus definition file now, click on the **Run Now** button in the **Task Properties** window. AutoUpdate will begin downloading and installing the latest virus definition file. Once the update is complete, VirusScan will shutdown and restart itself automatically.

## Scheduling an AutoUpdate Task to Run on a Regular Basis

This sequence of steps enables **AutoUpdate** of VirusScan virus definition files (also known as DAT files) on a regular basis. This is the preferred method of keeping your VirusScan software current. You just need to set it up and verify that it is working.

To configure VirusScan to update itself automatically without user intervention:

1. **Double click** on the McAfee VirusScan Scheduler icon , a small magnifying glass, on the right hand corner of Windows task bar.
2. **Double click** on the **AutoUpdate** icon on the VirusScan Console. The VirusScan Task Properties window shown in Fig. 2 will be displayed.
3. Select the **Schedule** tab in the **Task Properties** window. See Figure 3. Check the box **Enable** to allow VirusScan to schedule an automatically update. You may customize **AutoUpdate** to run in a variety of ways.



**Fig. 3 VirusScan Task Properties - Schedule Tab**

It is recommended that you select the option to run **AutoUpdate At Startup** by clicking on the radio button next to it. This will ensure that VirusScan checks for updates each time you reboot your computer. Whatever choice you may, you just need to make sure you have an active network connection when you schedule the AutoUpdate task to run. If you select a certain time you want this task to run, you need to enter it using the 24 hour clock (e.g. military time)

4. Click **OK** and your **AutoUpdate** configuration is complete.