

## Re: Port 25 closing?

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On Tue, 2005-03-08 at 13:11 -0700, Ashley M. Kirchner wrote:

> *This is slightly OT, but ti's been driving me nuts, so I'm hoping*  
> *someone here might have some suggestions as to what to look for here. I*  
> *have one Windows XP (SP2) machine that seems to randomly prevent*  
> *connections to our mail server via port 25. Our internal network*  
> *connects to our mail server, which is outside of our firewall and only*  
> *this one machine is having this problem. For no apparent reason at all*  
> *it will suddenly deny all connections made to the mail server through*  
> *port 25 (it can still RECEIVE e-mail since that goes over secure IMAP*  
> *port, but it can't send.) I can log onto the firewall, and everything*  
> *works as far as opening a connection to the mail server. I can get onto*  
> *a different machine on the network, and connect to the mail server just*  
> *fine, so I know it's not a firewall issue. It's just this ONE XP*  
> *machine that's experiencing this problem. And it only started happening*  
> *after installing SP2. Looking in Windows' firewall log, there's nothing*  
> *that points to port 25 being blocked. I can't telnet (to anything on*  
> *port 25, anywhere) from that machine, can't send e-mail, nothing. The*  
> *solution? Reboot the machine, and suddenly everything works again. So,*  
> *what gives?*

I have seen this problem on several SP2 boxes recently. In every case killing the firewall has fixed it. Personally, SP2 `_causes_` more problems than it allegedly fixes IMHO. I am dreading the day it will be a mandatory install for my clients.

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> *W | I haven't lost my mind; it's backed up on tape somewhere.*  
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15:27:21 up 4 days, 5:07, 2 users, load average: 2.35, 2.57, 2.43

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