StartUsing

Want to start using SpamAssassin?

SpamAssassin runs on a server, and filters spam before it reaches your mailbox. It has been used by nearly every known mail delivery system. Install it yourself today...

I run a mail server

- **UsedViaProcmail**: Using Procmail with SpamAssassin
- Make use of other anti-spam projects: DnsBlocklists (using DNSBLs), UsingDcc, UsingRazor, and UsingPyzor.
- **IntegratedInMta**: built into the whole mail-delivery process in the Mail Transfer Agent (sendmail, Exim, Postfix, etc.)
- **UsingSiteWide**: more about using SpamAssassin site-wide
- **SpamAssassin with Qmail-Scanner** - Integrate SA into Qmail-Scanner on a Linux PLESK server.
- **Spam folder with Procmail** - Use procmail to filter spam into a separate folder server-wide.

I have an account on a server

- **SingleUserUnixInstall**: single-user installation on a typical Unix account
- **UsedViaProcmail**: run from the traditional UNIX .procmailrc file
- **MailProxy**: as a proxy server
- **Run against a RemoteImapFolder**
- **Run against a Remote POP3 Mailbox using dispam** [http://gentoo-portage.com/mail-filter/disspam](http://gentoo-portage.com/mail-filter/disspam)

I have an account on a server, spamassassin is already running but I don't like how it decides what is spam and what is ham

1. examine X-Spam headers in several emails to see how spamassassin is evaluating them
   - on a shared server with a web interface like cPanel:
     - use the spamassassin panels to view the current configuration.
     - RECORD ALL settings on the various panels.
   - with shell access:
     - `~/.spamassassin/user_prefs` contains the user customization configuration.
     - `cp ~/.spamassassin/user_prefs ~/.spamassassin/user_prefs_original`
2. Make a small adjustment to the score on one of the rules.
   - Additional information regarding user_prefs can be found at [http://real-world-systems.com/docs/spamassassinConf.html](http://real-world-systems.com/docs/spamassassinConf.html)
3. Go back to step 1

Can I just buy something?

- Sure. Many commercial ThirdPartySoftware products use SpamAssassin internally.

Can I use SpamAssassin on other systems

- On Mac OS X: [UsingOnOsx](http://example.com/using-on-osx)
- On Mac OS X Server: [SpamAssassin_on_Mac_OS_X_Server](http://example.com/spamassassin-on-mac-os-x-server)
- On Windows: [UsingOnWindows](http://example.com/using-on-windows)

- **ImportantInitialConfigItems** - A brief list of configuration options you should set when you first install.