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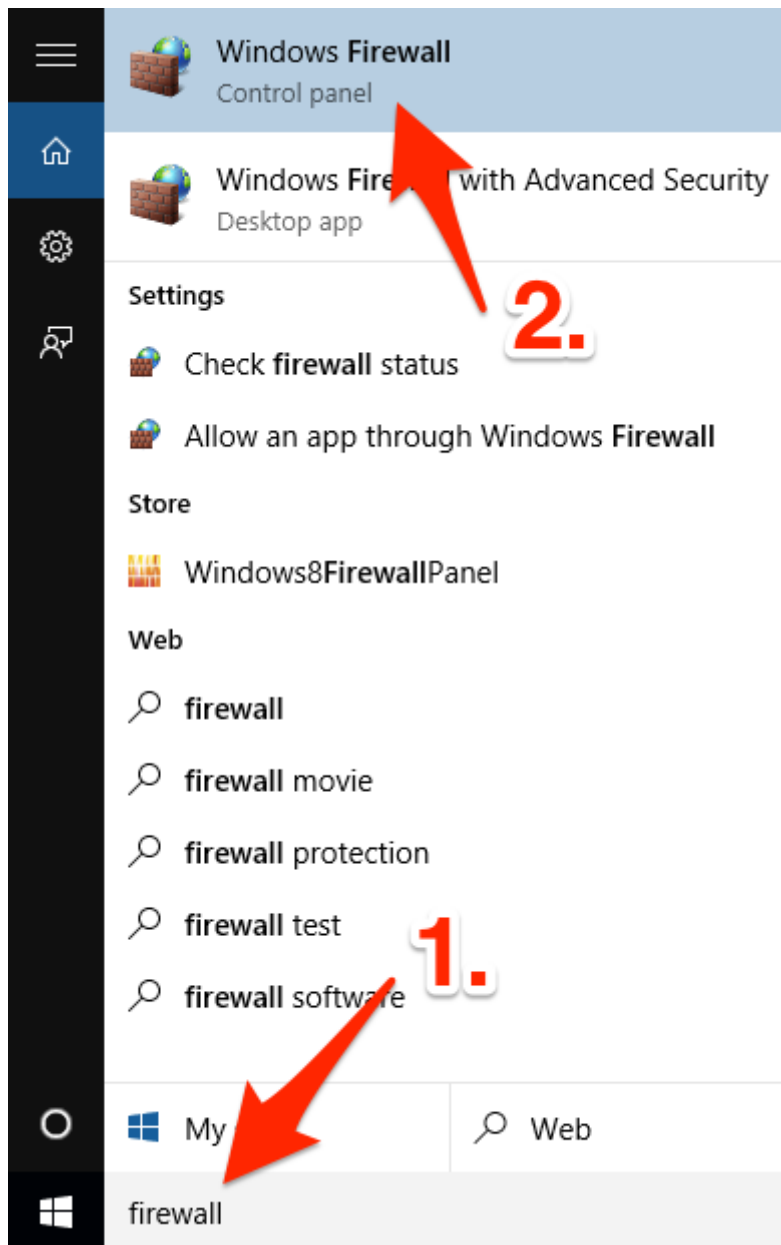
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## How to Block a Program From the Internet in Windows 10

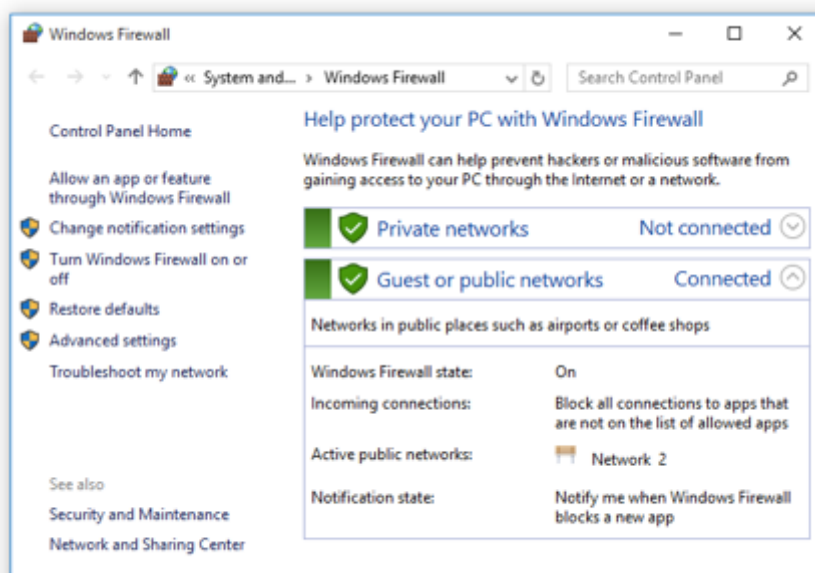
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This tutorial will take you every single step of the way through creating a Windows Firewall Rule to block a specific program (whichever you want) in Windows 10.

1. Start out by clicking the **Windows 10 Start Button** and in the **Search** section type the word **firewall**. One of the items that will be displayed is **Windows Firewall | Control Panel**. Select that one.

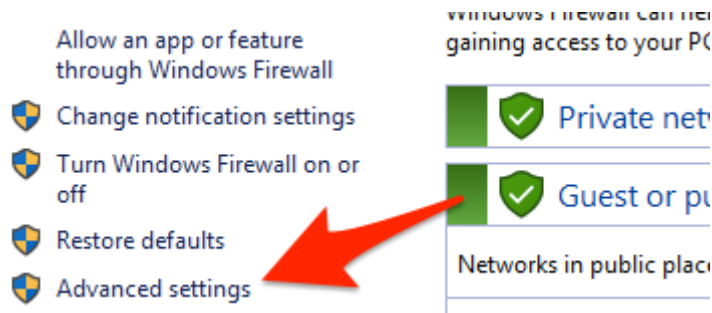


2. You'll be presented with the main Windows 10 Firewall screen.

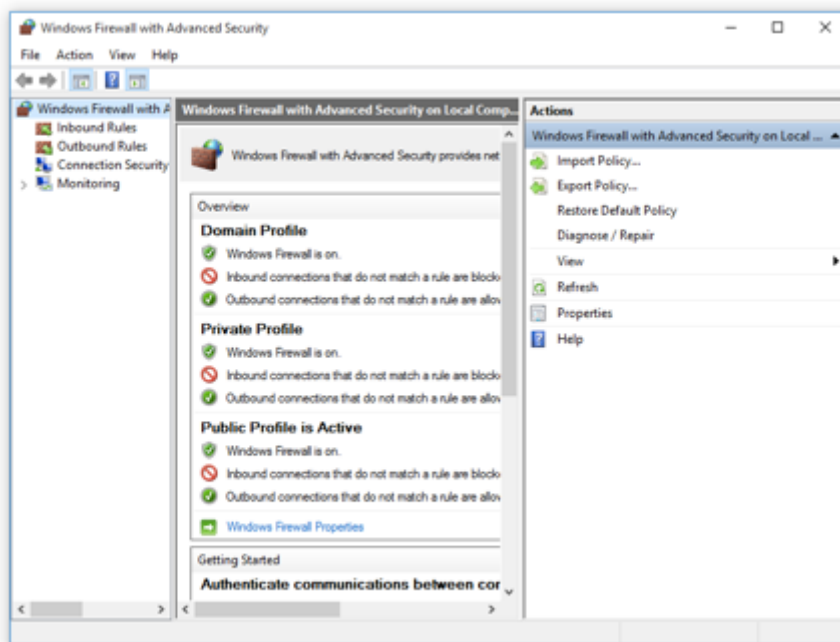


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3. From the column on the left side of the window, click the **Advanced Settings...** item.

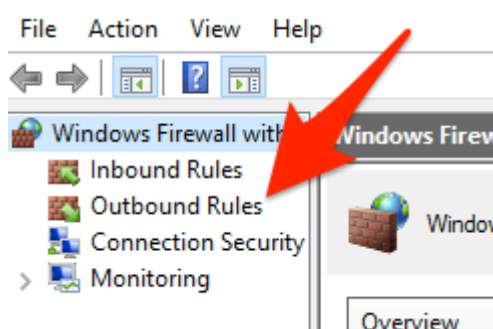


4. Now you'll be presented with the **Advanced** section of the Windows 10 Firewall.

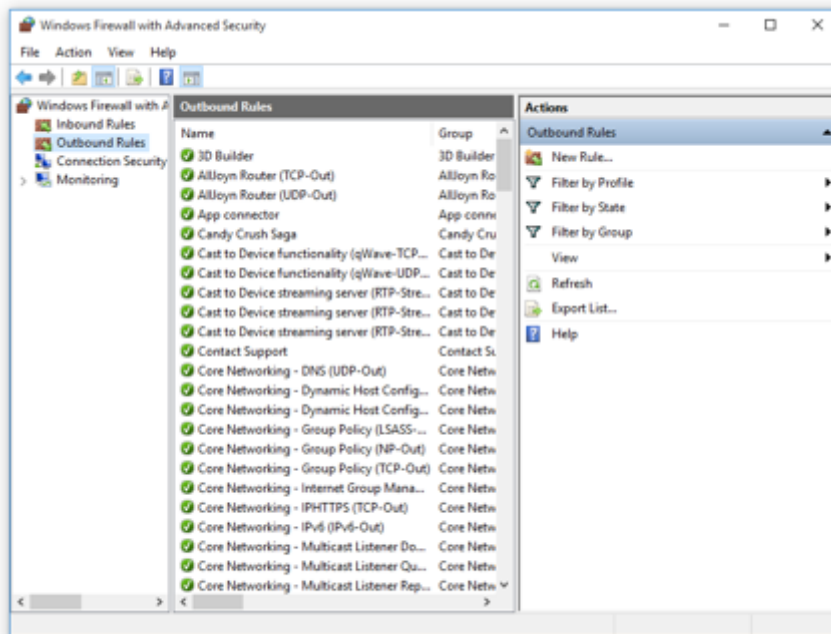


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5. Select the **Outbound Rules** item from the left-most column.

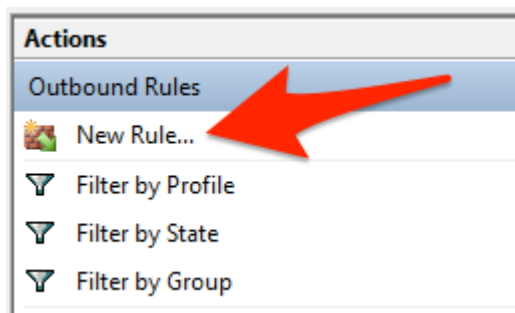


6. Now you'll be presented with the **Advanced Outbound Rules** section.



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7. This time we're going to look in the column on the *right* side of the screen, titled **Outbound Rules**.... From this section, select **New Rule...**



8. When asked which type of connection you want to block, select **Program** and then click the **Next >** button.

What type of rule would you like to create?

☒ **Program**  
Rule that controls connections for a program.

☐ **Port**  
Rule that controls connections for a TCP or UDP port.

☐ **Predefined:**  
AllJoyn Router  
Rule that controls connections for a Windows experience.

☐ **Custom**  
Custom rule.

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9. Since you only want to block *one* program (not them all) – click the **Browse...** button next to **This program path:**. **NOTE:** you can of course block more than one program by creating multiple rules.

Does this rule apply to all programs or a specific program?

☐ **All programs**  
Rule applies to all connections on the computer that match other rule properties.

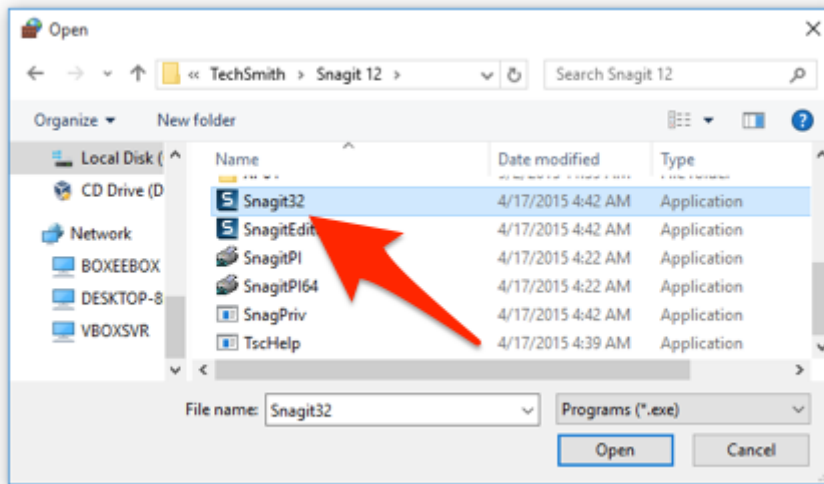
☒ **This program path:**

Example: c:\path\program.exe  
%ProgramFiles%\browser\browser.exe

Browse...

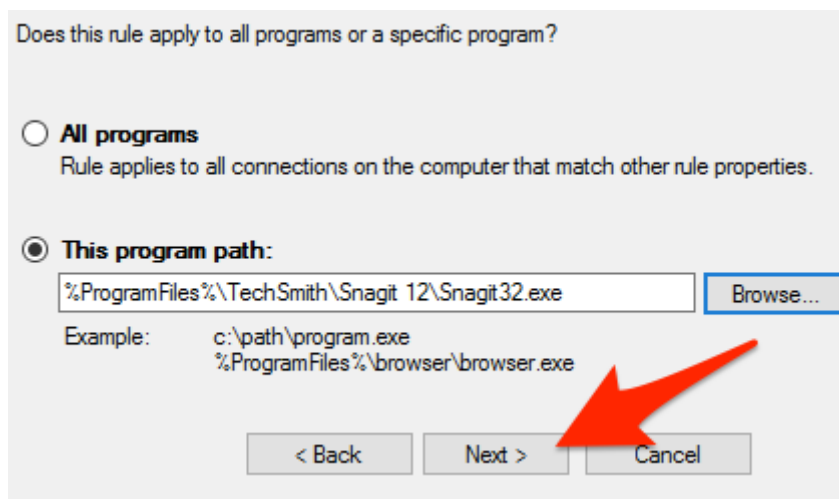
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10. Click through the folders on your PC until you find the Application you want to block from accessing the Internet. If you're having trouble locating it, it's probably in the **Program Files** folder, likely in a sub-folder with either the program name or company name as a part of the folder name itself. When you've found it, select it by clicking on it once, and then click the **Open** button.

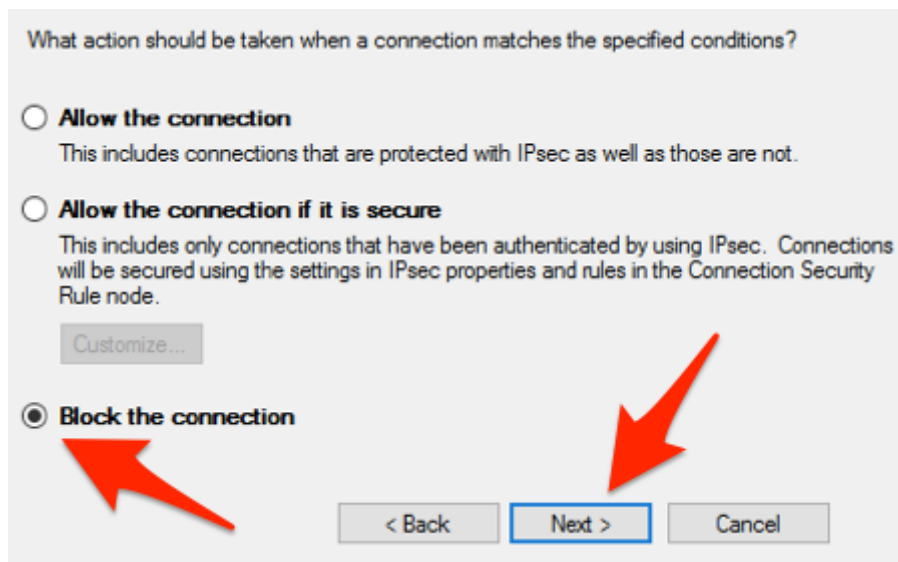


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11. Click the **Next >** button to continue.



12. Select **Block the connection** and then click the **Next >** button.



13. Make sure that all three items (**Domain**, **Private** and **Public**) have “check marks” next to them, and then click the **Next >** button.

When does this rule apply?

☒ **Domain**  
Applies when a computer is connected to its corporate domain.

☒ **Private**  
Applies when a computer is connected to a private network location, such as a home or work place.

☒ **Public**  
Applies when a computer is connected to a public network location.

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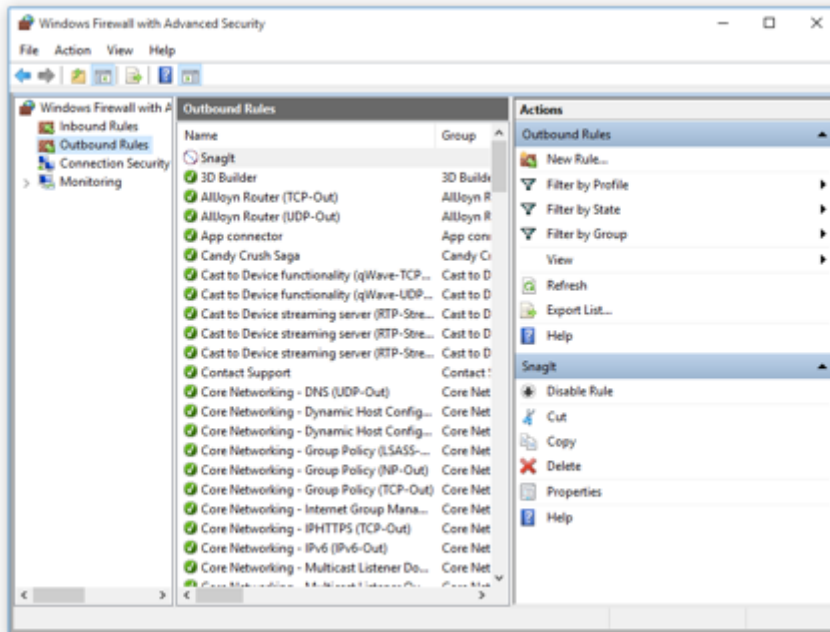
14. Give your newly created “rule” a name and quick description, and finally, click the **Finish** button.

Name:  
SnagIt

Description (optional):  
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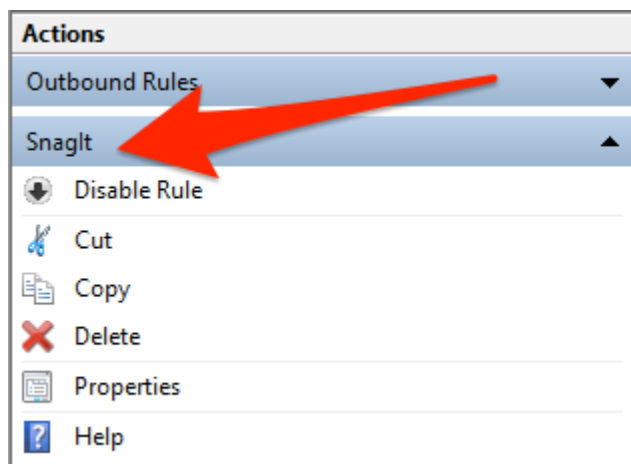
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15. You’ll be returned to the **Advanced Outbound Windows Firewall Settings** section.



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16. This time, the column on the right side (**Actions**) will have your newly created Rule in it!



17. As stated earlier in this tutorial, you can do this for as many programs in Windows 10 as you'd like. You can even use the "Copy" button to create similar rules without having to go through *every* step again.

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