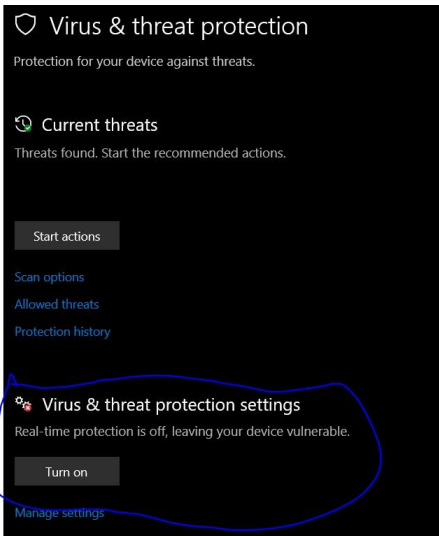


Turn off Defender antivirus protection in Windows Security

Security Windows 11 Windows 10

Follow these steps to temporarily turn off real-time Microsoft Defender antivirus protection in Windows Security. However, keep in mind that if you do, your device may be vulnerable to threats.

1. Select **Start** and type "Windows Security" to search for that app.
2. Select the **Windows Security app** from the search results, go to **Virus & threat protection**, and under **Virus & threat protection settings** select **Manage settings**.
3. Switch **Real-time protection** to **Off**. Note that scheduled scans will continue to run. However, files that are downloaded or installed will not be scanned until the next scheduled scan.
 - i. Please turn off your antivirus by following the method below to run this software.



ii. Disable all as shown in the picture below



Virus & threat protection settings

View and update Virus & threat protection settings for Microsoft Defender Antivirus.

Real-time protection

Locates and stops malware from installing or running on your device. You can turn off this setting for a short time before it turns back on automatically.



Real-time protection is off, leaving your device vulnerable.



Off

Cloud-delivered protection

Provides increased and faster protection with access to the latest protection data in the cloud. Works best with Automatic sample submission turned on.



Off

Automatic sample submission

Send sample files to Microsoft to help protect you and others from potential threats. We'll prompt you if the file we need is likely to contain personal information.



Automatic sample submission is off. Your device may be vulnerable.

[Dismiss](#)



Off

Now turn off windows defender and Run the software.

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