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PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY OVER THE INTERNET

Another name of the internet is cyber zone. When you arrive at the cyber zone, you can virtually enter more than one place simultaneously. So, it is pretty difficult to correctly define the jurisdiction for an internet savvy people. As of now if you are browsing the net from a certain country then the local jurisdiction is applicable for you. When you are using a server based in some other country and the second party connected to you is sitting in another country then all your session is governed by the jurisdictions of these three countries. As evident from this example, this is quite natural that the entire episode is quite confusing.

A school of thought has suggested formulation of separate laws for the internet. Then another school of thought believes in transferring the matter to the users alone. But as of now the localized jurisdiction system is at place for all the internet users all over the world. So, if you are residing in America and using the net there then you are under the jurisdiction of America.

The most common problem with the use of the internet is identity theft. Almost every internet user faces this problem at some point of their cyber life. The process of identity theft becomes quite easy if you do not take proper measures to protect yourself over the internet during your browsing sessions. The identity thieves always try to gather as much as data possible about you so that they can use them in the future posing as you in some other websites. Your credit card data can be used by an identity thief to go for extensive shopping at no cost and later making you to pay off the debt.

To your surprise, all these data can be accumulated by these identity thieves from right under your nose if you are using your PC to surf the internet. Generally an individual store all the personal information, bank details, passwords and financial data in their personal computers. All your photo albums and family videos are constantly stored in the PC. So, if a virtual identity thief becomes able to break into your system then they easily take control of all your secret data and information and manipulate them as they wish.

There are certain measures you can adopt to keep your personal data intact. They include:

Extensive use of passwords to all parts and files of your computer.

Use of complex passwords.

Change the passwords regularly.

Never use the 'remember the password' option.

Continuously upgrade the operating system. You can do it at no cost just by following the inbuilt instructions.

Use a trusted and high-yielding anti-virus software suite to protect your computer from Trojans, malewares and other worms.

Regularly update your anti-virus software.

Install a firewall.

File sharing over the internet or by local networking is always dangerous from the identity theft point of view. Moreover you should never give out your personal details to anyone who is not trusted. A recent trend includes mails of notification of awards and lotteries. Never respond to them if they are asking you for sensitive personal details.



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