

AV-Comparatives review of ESET NOD32 Antivirus 4 Business Edition for Linux

INTRODUCTION

ESET NOD32 Antivirus 4 for Linux Desktop offers complete protection against cross-platform and emerging threats. Built on the award-winning ThreatSense scanning engine, the solution delivers real-time protection without system slowdowns, shielding Linux-based systems from all types of malicious code, including those engineered for Windows and Mac OS.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

“With ESET NOD32 Antivirus Business Edition for Linux Desktop, ESET have retained all the excellent features of the Windows version. The program is easy to install, and it provides a clear, simple interface for beginners, with one-click access to more advanced options for advanced users. It is apparent that this Linux version not only protects the system against Linux-specific malware, but also detects Windows malware, thus preventing attacks on other systems being passed through unchallenged.”

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PRODUCT FEATURES

Licensing Model	“ESET’s ‘Unilicense’ model allows a license purchased for a Windows or Mac OS antivirus version of NOD32 to be used for the Linux version.”
Simple Installation	“...we found the installation process to be simple and straightforward, with the sensible choice of a custom setup for advanced users. It would be plain sailing for anyone who is familiar with Windows installation programs, especially if they have ever installed NOD32 for Windows.”
User Friendly GUI	“The main program window will be instantly familiar to anyone who has used ESET NOD32 or Smart Security for Windows, being virtually identical to its Windows counterpart. For the benefit of those who are new to ESET programs, the layout of NOD32 for Linux is extremely simple and clear.”
Netbook Support	“We were pleased to see that when we adjusted the screen resolution of our test system to 640x480 pixels, the NOD32 program window resized itself, leaving all features fully accessible and usable, even in Advanced Mode. The program could thus be used comfortably on a netbook.”
Cross-platform protection	“We were pleased to note that ESET’s Linux program detected and quarantined all of these files [Windows threats], just as the Windows version would have done.”
Easy Uninstall	“ESET NOD32 for Linux is very simple to remove from the computer. In the program’s folder in the applications menu there is a link to the uninstaller, which quickly and easily removes the program in just a few clicks.”
Remote Installation	“As it is intended for use in business networks, the Business Edition of NOD32 for Linux has the ability to create a remote installation package, which the system administrator can install to multiple machines over the network e.g. by scripting. Creating this package is very simple, and involves running the setup program again.”
Product Manual	“The glossary is a very well written, clear guide to the major types of malware and what to do if they are detected on your computer. This is something every computer user should read, regardless of which operating system or security software they use. The manual as a whole is informative and easy to read.”