How to prevent Malware:

1. Make sure you have an Antivirus, Firewall and Antispyware scanner installed.

Quik X Transportation Inc. uses Microsoft Windows Defender, Windows Firewall on PCs, and Norton Antivirus Corporate Edition. We also use a hardware firewall at the gateway.

Never install more than one Antivirus and Firewall program! Rather than giving you extra protection, it will seriously decrease the reliability of the PCs defences! The reason for this is that if both products have their automatic (Real-Time) protection switched on, your system may lock up due to both software products attempting to access the same file at the same time. Also, since different Antivirus and Firewall programs are not compatible with each other, multiple installations of similar software can cause system performance problems and a serious system slowdown.

Make sure you DO NOT download and install any scanner present on the following list. These scanners have a questionable reputation.

100 Percent Anti-Spyware, 1-2-3 Spyware Free, 1 Click Spy Clean, #1 Spyware Killer, 1stAntiVirus, 2004 Adware/Spyware Remover & Blocker, about:blank 2005, Ad Armor, AdDriller, Ad-Eliminator, AdProtector, Ad-Purge Adware & Spyware Remover, Ads Alert, ADS Adware Remover, Adware Agent, AdwareBazooka, Adware Cops, AdwareDelete, AdwareDeluxe, Adware Filter (PCSafe Security Center), Adware Finder, Adware Hitman, AdwareHunter, Adware-Nuker, AdwarePatrol, AdwarePro, AdwarePunisher, Adware Remover, AdwareRemover, AdwareSafe, AdwareSafety, Adware Sheriff, AdwareSpy, AdWare SpyWare Blocker & Removal, Adware & Spyware Firewall, Adware/Spyware Remover, Adware Striker, AdwareTools, AdwareX, AdwareX Eliminator, Ad-Where 2005, Agent Spyware, AGuardDog Adware/Spyware Remover, AlertSpy AlfaCleaner, AntiSpy Advanced, Anti-Spyware Blocker, AntiSpyware Soldier, AntiSpyZone, AntiVermins (AntiVerminser), AntiVirusAdvance, Antivirus Email, AntiVirus Gold, AntiVirus Golden, AntivirusPCSuite, Anti Virus Pro, AntiVirus Protector, Antivirus Solution, Anti-Virus&Spyware, ArmorWall, AVSystemCare, BestGuardPlatinum, Botsquash, BPS Spyware & Adware Remover, Brave Sentry, BreakSpyware, CheckFlow CheckSpy & Anti Spyware 2005, CleanX, Consumer Identity, ContraVirus, Copperhead AntiSpyware, CurePCSolution, CyberDefender, DIARemover, Doctor Adware, Doctor Adware Pro, Easy Erase Spyware Remover, Easy SpyRemover, Easy Spyware Killer, Elimiware, ETD Security Scanner, ExpertAntiVirus, Fixer AntiSpy, Flobo Free Anti Spyware Clean, Freeze.com AntiSpyware, Froggie Scan, GoodbyeSpy, GuardBar, HitVirus, IC Spyware Scanner, InternetAntiSpy, Internet Cleanup, InternetShield, iSpyKiller, JC Spyware Remover & Adware Killer, KaZaaP, KillAllSpyware, KillAndClean, KillSpy MalwareAlarm, MalwareScanner, Malware Stopper, MalwareWipe / MalwareWiper / MalwareWiped, MaxNetShield (MNS Spyware Remover & History Eraser), Max Privacy Protector, MicroAntivirus, Mr.AntiSpy, MyNetProtector, MyPCTuneUp, MySpyFreePC, MySpyProtector, NeoSpace, NetSpyProtector, NoSpyX, Oxford Spyware Remover, PAL Emergency Response, PAL Spyware Remover, PC AdWare SpyWare Removal, PCArmor, PC Health Plan, pcOrion, PerfectCleaner, PestBot, PestCapture, PestProtector, PestTrap, PestWiper, Privacy Champion, Privacy Crusader, Privacy Defender, Privacy Tools 2004, Protect Your Identity, PSGuard, PurityScan /PuritySweep, QuickCleaner, RazeSpyware, Real AdWareRemoverGold, RegFreeze, RemedyAntiSpy, RemovelT Pro, Safe & Clean (Scan & Clean), SafeWebSurfer, SamuraiSpy, Scan & Repair Utilities 2006, ScanSpyware, Scumware-Remover, SecureMyPC, Security iGuard, SlimShield, SmartSecurity, Spy-Ad Exterminator Pro, SpyAdvanced, Spy Analyst, Spy Annihilator, SpyAssassin, SpyAssault, SpyAway, SpyAxe, SpyBan, SpyBeware, SpyBlast, Spy-Block, SpyBlocs/eBlocs.com, SpyBouncer, SpyBurn, SpyBuster, SpyClean, SpyCleaner, SpyContra, Spy-Control, SpyCrush, Spy Crusher, SpyCut, SpyDawn, SpyDeface, Spy Defence, SpyDeleter, SpyDemolisher, SpyDestroy Pro, Spy Detector, SpyEliminator, SpyFalcon, SpyFerret, SpyFighter, SpyFirewall, SpyHeal, SpyiBlock,

SpviKiller, Spvinator, Spv-Kill, Spv Killer, SpvKiller 2005, SpvKillerPro, SpvLax, SpvLocked, SpvMarshal, SpyNoMore, Spy Officer, SpyOnThis, SpyPry, Spy Reaper, SpyRemover, SpySheriff, SpyShield, Spy-Shield, Spy Sniper, Spy Sniper Pro, SpySoldier, SpySpotter, Spy Stalker, Spy Striker, SpyToaster, SpyTrooper, SpyVampire, SpyVest, SpyViper, Spyware & Adware Removal, Spyware Annihilator, SpywareAssassin, SpywareAvenger, SpywareBeGone, Spyware Blaster, SpywareBomber, SpywareBot, SpywareCleaner, Spyware Cleaner, Spyware Cleaner & Pop-Up Blocker, Spyware Cops, Spyware C.O.P., SpywareCrusher, Spyware Defense, Spyware Destroyer, Spyware Disinfector, SpywareHospital, SpywareHound, Spyware Immobilizer, Spyware IT, SpywareKilla. Spyware Knight, Spyware Medic, SpywareNo!, Spyware & Pop-Up Utility, Spyware & Pest Remover, Spyware Protection Pro, Spyware Quake, SpywareRemoval, Spyware Removal Wizard, Spyware Remover, Spyware Remover, Spyware Remover, SpywareRemover, SpywareRemover, Spyware Scrapper, SpyWare Secure, Spyware Sheriff, Spyware Slayer, Spyware Sledgehammer, Spyware Soft Stop, Spyware Stormer, SpywareStrike, Spyware Striker Pro, Spyware-Stop, Spyware Suite 2005, SpywareTek / Spyware Removal System, Spyware Terminator, SpywareThis, Spyware Vanisher, Spyware Wizard, SpywareXP, SpywareZapper, SpyWiper, StartGuard, StopGuard, StopItBlockIt 2005, Super Spyware Remover, System Detective, SystemStable, TeoSoft Anti-Spyware, Terminexor, The Adware Hunter, The SpyGuard, The Spyware Detective, TheSpywareKiller, The Spyware Shield, The Web Shield, Titan AntiSpyware, TitanShield AntiSpyware, True Sword, TrueWatch, Trust Cleaner, TZ Spyware Adware Remover, UControl, Ultimate Cleaner, Ultimate Defender, Ultimate Spyware-Adware Remover, UnSpyPC, VBouncer/AdDestroyer, VirusBlast, VirusBursters, VirusGuard, VirusRescue, WareOut Spyware Remover, WinAntiSpy 2005, WinAntiSpyware 2006, WinAntiVirus 2006, Winhound Spyware Remover, WebSafe Spyware Secure, Winkeeper, WinSOS, WorldAntiSpy, X-Con Spyware Destroyer, X-Spyware, Xmembytes AntiSpyware, Xspyware, XSRemover, ZoneProtect AntiSpyware

2. Make sure your Windows is ALWAYS up to date!

An un-patched Windows is vulnerable! Even with the "best" Antivirus and Firewall installed, malware will find its way onto your PC. Effective July 11/October 11, 2006, Windows 98, Windows 98 Second Edition, Windows Me, Windows XP SP1 and SP1a made the transition to a non-supported status. This of course means that these operating systems become increasingly vulnerable to virus or malware attacks.

3. Stay away from illegal/questionable sites.

This is one of the main causes why a computer gets infected. Visiting crack sites/ware sites - and other questionable/illegal site is ALWAYS a risk. Even a single click on the site can be responsible for installing a huge amount of malware. Don't think: "I have a good Antivirus and Firewall installed, they will protect me" - because that's not true... and even before you know it, your Antivirus and Firewall may already be disabled because malware already found its way on your system.

4. Be careful with mail attachments!

Malware spreads via email as well, especially email attachments. The most common ones are emails telling you that your computer is infected where you'll find the removal tool in the attachment, emails telling you that your password has changed which you'll find in the attachment, mails with product codes in the attachment from software you purchased (while you didn't), attachments with so called Security updates etc... **Don't trust these mails, don't even open them but delete them immediately instead!** This is why you should not use the Deleted Items folder to store older e-mails. Outlook should empty this folder every time you exit the program.

It may also happen you receive a mail from someone you know, but with questionable attachment present and strange contents in the mail. In this case, this person - or someone else who has your address in his/her address book - is infected with malware (worm/spambot) and sends these mails without being aware of it. Don't click links in emails from someone you don't know, because these links can redirect you to sites where malware gets downloaded and installed.

5. MSN and Other Messengers

There has been a rash of viruses transmitted via messenger services of late. DO NOT accept or download files from these services. NEVER click links (to unknown web sites) in messages because these links can redirect you to sites where malware gets downloaded and installed.

6. When surfing...

- Don't click on links inside popups.
- Don't click on links in spam messages claiming to offer anti-spyware software; because most of these so called removers ARE spyware.
- Be careful when watching online videos, especially when they ask you to install a certain codec to watch the video. By default, your media player should already have the necessary codec installed to watch online videos. In case you're prompted to install an additional codec while trying to watch a movie online, it may be a false alert and this so called codec may install malware. (Codec translates media streams to allow players to run/show/play them.)
- Don't install plug-in (ActiveX) if you're not certain what it is or why you need it.

6. Watch what you download!

Quik X Transportation does not allow the installation of programs without the permission of management.

If you want to install certain software and you have obtained permission to do so, always go to the developer's site to download the software from. Then you can be sure you're downloading and installing the right software. Beware of the fact that certain software (especially freeware) may contain/bundled with extra software including spyware/adware. So only install it when you're sure they are OK.

The use of P2P Programs like Kazaa (which is bundled with adware/spyware btw), Limewire, Torrentsites, Emule, Bearshare... is always a risk, because you can never be sure what you exactly download. It isn't always what it looks like. Important to know is that many P2P Programs are also bundled with unwanted software (spyware/adware). Please do not use these on Quik X equipment.