

## Tracking Setting in Windows 10

Windows 10 seems to want to keep track of what you are doing on your computer and where you are going on the internet by having on a bunch of system settings turned on that you may not be aware of.

They are doing this on the premise of making helping you by offering applications and web sites that are of interest to you.

The reality is they are tracking everything that you are doing on your computer from keystrokes to Cortana requests to the websites you are going to.

Lastly when you get new updates usually the large annual ones some of these settings are turned back on without you realizing.

Here are some important ones to turn off and a couple to turn on

1. **Windows Updates** Start - Settings - Updates & Security - Advance options - Delivery Optimization - turn off the switch under Allow downloads from other computers.
2. **Wi-Fi** Start - Settings - Networks & Internet - Wi-Fi tab on left of screen - Turn off the switches for
  1. Find paid plans for suggested hot spots near me.
  2. Connect to suggested open hot spots
3. **Privacy** Start - Settings - Privacy  
**General** - Turn off the top three switches.  
  
**Location** - location on this device should be off  
If you go down further on the page and an app you are using requires the location it be turned on individually.  
  
**Speech , Inking & Typing** - Turn off  
Speech Services and Typing Suggestions  
  
**Feed Back & Diagnostics** - Make sure that it is set to Basic not full.
4. **Cortana** Cortana - Settings - turn off any of the settings that you don't want tracked.
5. **System** Start - Settings - System - Notifications & Actions - under Notification switch off 2, 4, 5, 6
6. **Personalization** Start - Settings - Personalization - Start - switch off Occasionally show suggestions in start.

7. **Gaming** Start - Settings - Gaming - Gaming DVR - switch off - record in the back ground when I'm playing a game.
8. **Night Light Settings** Start - Settings - System - Night Light Setting - You can turn it on manually or schedule it to run when you want it to. It helps with eye strain.
9. **Windows Explorer** Click on the File Folder on the task bar.  
Select View from the menu bar. Put a check in  
File name extensions  
Hidden Items