

When you first get a new pc that has no malware or viruses on it, create the system recovery dvds. Then create a system image. In win 7 the system image is under recovery. But in win 8 to create a system image go to settings, control panel, and then to file history. In the lower left corner is a small text that says system image backup. Plug in a pocket drive into your pc and then begin the system image backup. Select the pocket drive. It may require 20 to 40 gigabytes but your pocket drive should handle 1000 gigabytes. The backup should take a few minutes. When it is finished, use the file explorer program in the lower left end of the task bar to rename the directory from windowsimagebackup to some other name such as windowsimagebackup1. This way when you create a new system image backup it will not write over your initial image backup. Now follow this strict procedure to keep from getting viruses and malware. Let's say you want to add a new program or several programs and your pc has been running for a while. Go back and reload the latest system image you have backed, which is a good system image. This prevents you from saving a virus to the next image you will be creating after the new software is added. After the new software is added, do the microsoft win updates and any other updates. By the way, do not do an adobe reader update. It's now a virus program. Load the Foxit pdf reader instead of the adobe reader. Also do not load and run any malware programs and do not load and run any non microsoft virus checking programs, i.e. use defender in windows 8. Before you load new software be sure you have a clean virus free system and can come back to this image which is before installing the new software. Don't expect the windows recovery points that are built in to work for you. The hackers have learned how to delete them. Just use the system image restore described here. If you find that the new software is messed up for any reason, use your latest image to restore the pc to the state prior to installing the new software. If you do like the software then do a new system image save. Be sure to rename the old system image backup directories each time so as not to write over an old system image. I would recommend numbering them by tacking on a 1 2 3 etc to each systemimagebackup directory name. Any time you detect a problem, restore your pc using the latest saved system image. This will keep your computer secure and free of viruses and malware.