How does Microsoft compare to Kaspersky? A comparison between the two can reveal that Kaspersky’s flexibility, innovation, and technology are far superior – giving you an advantage with Kaspersky!

Kaspersky vs. Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection

The difference is our superior approach. All components of our business security software are written by our own developers. We haven't acquired outside, incompatible technologies and forced them into our solutions. This results in greater efficiency, a lighter resource footprint and increased application stability. The in-depth reviews and independent tests results which follow demonstrate that Kaspersky is the clear front-runner in endpoint protection.

▶ Microsoft Protects Windows, Only.

- If, in addition to Windows, your network includes Mac, Linux, Notes/Domino, Netware, Android, BlackBerry or any other platform, you’ll need to manage 2 or more separate deployments for your security.
- This means at least 2 administrative consoles, 2 sets of policies to manage, and 2 reports to view.
- Kaspersky manages all the above platforms and more! Physical, virtual and mobile devices are all managed from one console.

▶ Technical Advantage Across the Board

According to AV-Test.org corporate solutions test results, Kaspersky Endpoint Security demonstrated a higher average score than Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection in 2 of 3 tested categories – protection and repair. It was also awarded BEST REPAIR 2011 in recognition of its ability to remove active malware and to restore other system changes, as well as its performance when detecting and removing specially hidden malware (rootkits).
**Kaspersky provided superior protection and performance!**

**Tester:** VirusBulletin  **Period:** April, 2010 – April, 2012  
**Test Title:** VB100 comparative reviews  
[www.virusbtn.com/vb100](http://www.virusbtn.com/vb100)

Kaspersky's corporate endpoint product has consistently demonstrated the highest levels of overall protection. Consistently high test results and a steadily rising trend-line highlight this point (see below).

![Graph showing test results](image)

Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection participated in the tests only 3 times in 2 years, the last time being in October 2011. On that occasion, Microsoft scored **only 79.3** and required **2 full days** to complete.

**Tester:** Passmark. **Date:** 29 July 2011  
**Test Title:** Enterprise Endpoint Protection Performance 2011  

- Kaspersky Business Space Security achieved an overall score of **57**.
- Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection scored **34**, placing it **second from last**.
- Systems running Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection open Internet Explorer more slowly and take longer to boot than those running Kaspersky.
- At **61.8s**, Kaspersky's on-demand scan runs **nearly twice as fast** as Microsoft's **107.7s**.
- Microsoft Forefront cannot be configured to scan a folder on a schedule. **Kaspersky came first** in scheduled scan test.
- Kaspersky file copying was much faster than Microsoft's. Again, **Kaspersky came top** in this test.
- Kaspersky made almost no impact on the speed of opening, closing and writing. It had a **33.88s impact**, and Microsoft was much slower, **232.54s**.

**Microsoft could require more resources than you thought**

- Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection requires System Center Configuration Manager (SCCM) which is not easy to deploy and maintain, and not designed for the specific needs of security professionals.
- Microsoft Forefront Endpoint Protection does not offer Application, Device or Web Control,
- Microsoft Forefront clients rely on Windows user rights management for tamper protection. So users and applications with administrator rights can disable the client, leaving your endpoints unprotected.