

# Spyware

This is malware capturing information about a device and user online behaviour without their knowledge, and then passing it on. The recipients of this information can then reconstruct a user's habits when surfing and online shopping. Such spyware is usually set up when shareware or freeware software is installed on a device, too.

See also: [Malware \(https://www.ebas.ch/en/glossary/malware/\)](https://www.ebas.ch/en/glossary/malware/)