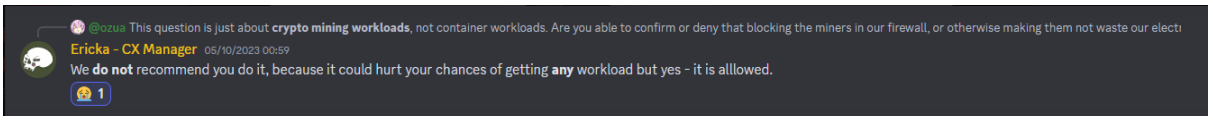
Guide – HOW TO FIREWALL BLOCK MINING

This guide is provided by Deniz. In case of any questions, ask me on Discord (denizabbeel).
This guide was made for Windows 11 but will also be compatible with Windows 10.

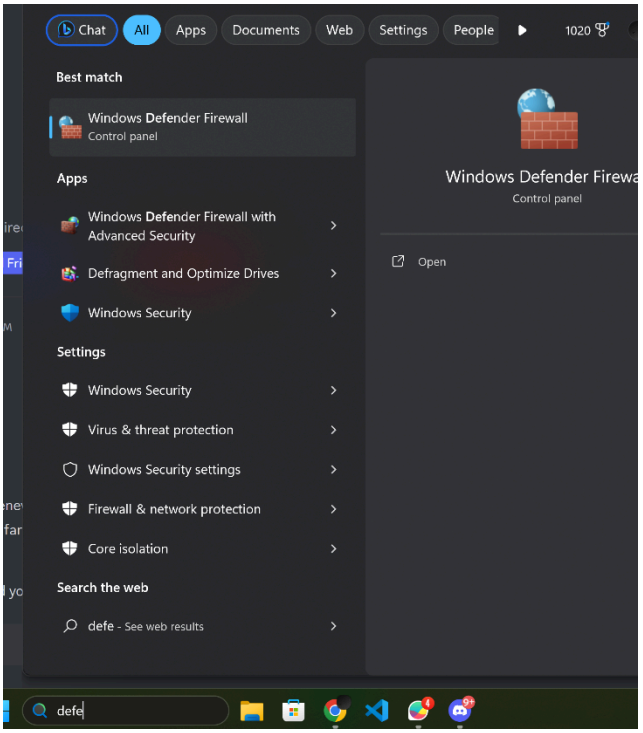
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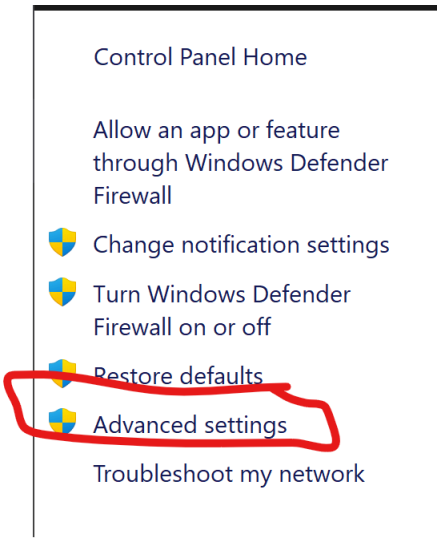


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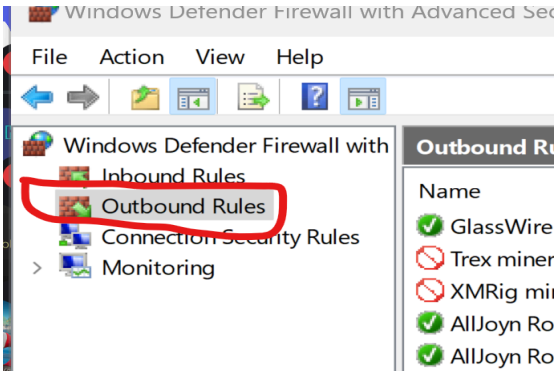
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Step 1 – Windows Defender Firewall -> Advanced Security

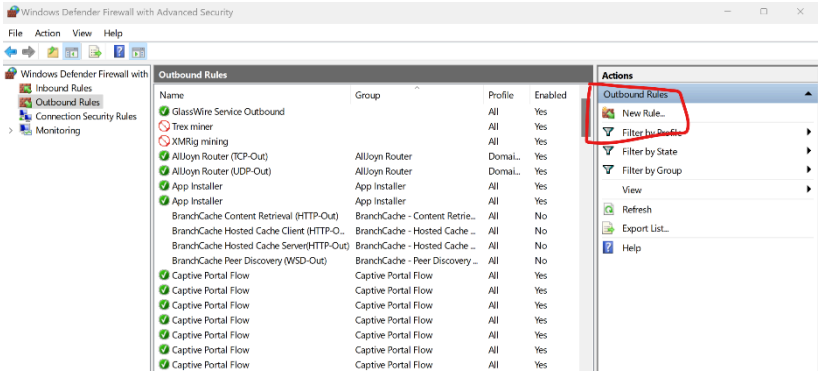




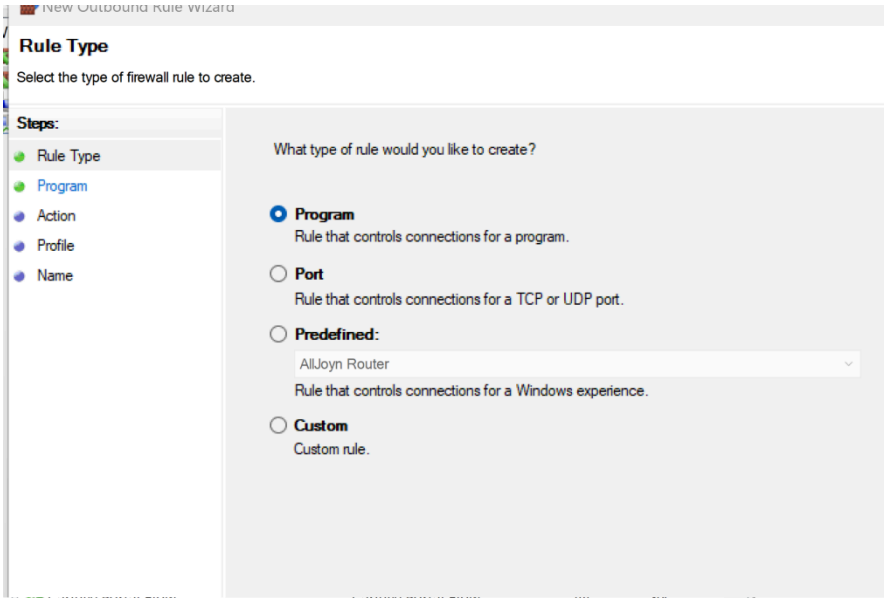
Step 3 – Blocking the miners with outbound is the only necessity.



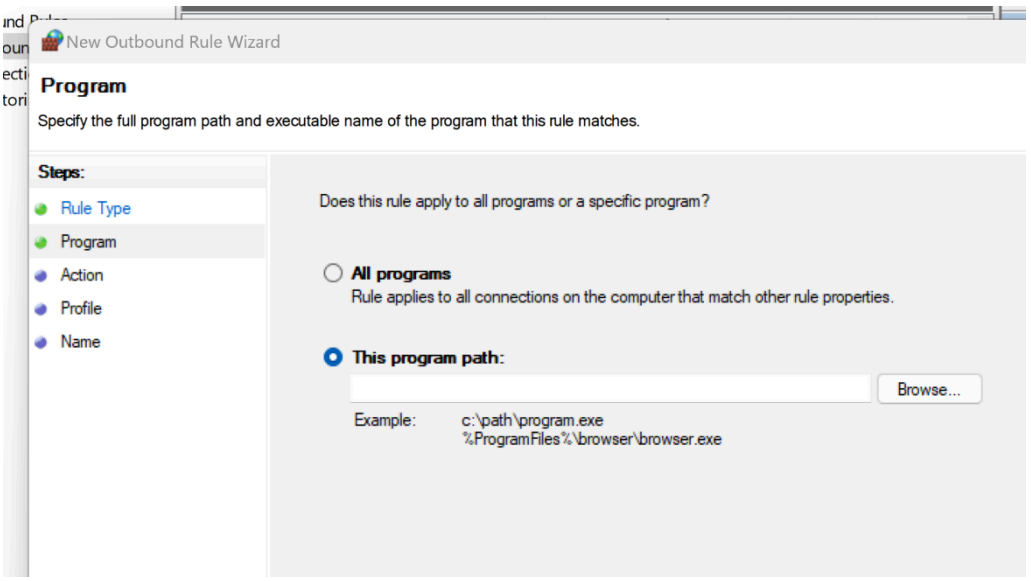
Step 4 – In outbound create a new rule.



Step 5 – Choose program.

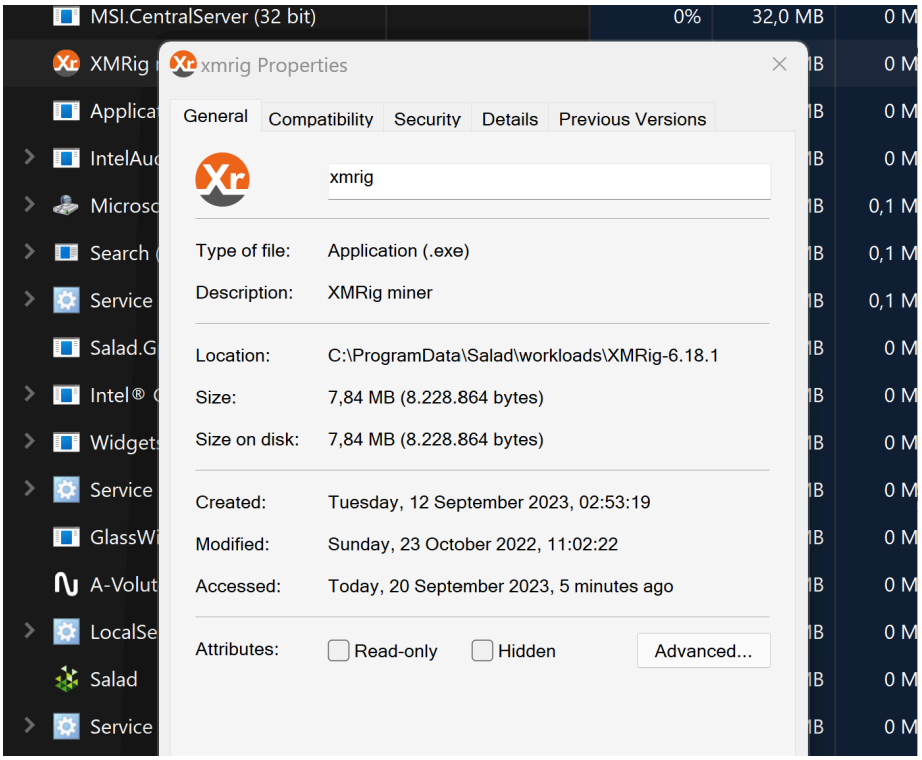


Step 6 – Choose this program path and click browse.

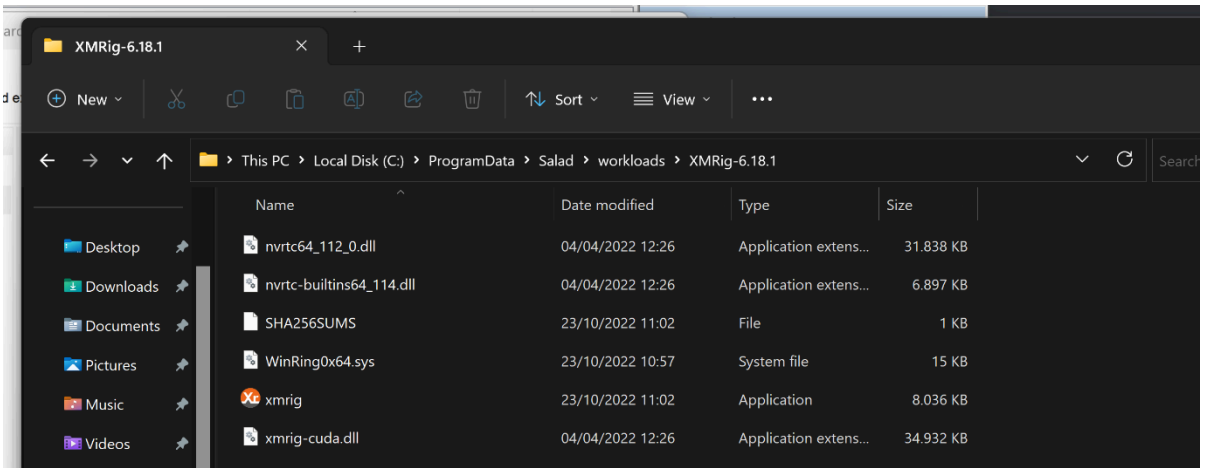


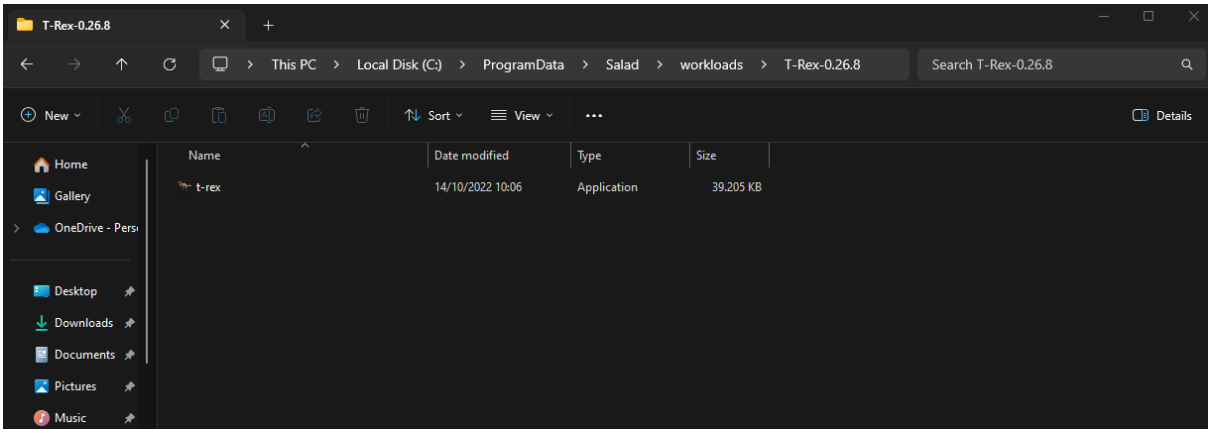
Step 7 – Please go to the task manager (specifically the processes and CPU tab), locate the miner, and right-click to access its properties. Copy the location and go to file explorer and paste in the top bar.

Salad will send first the T-Rex miner. If you have blocked the T-Rex miner, Salad will stop it after X attempts and start the XMRig miner. Therefore, please ensure that you follow all these steps for XMRig as well. Also salad might add another trex miner (Version 0.25.x make sure to block it as well and other (future) versions)

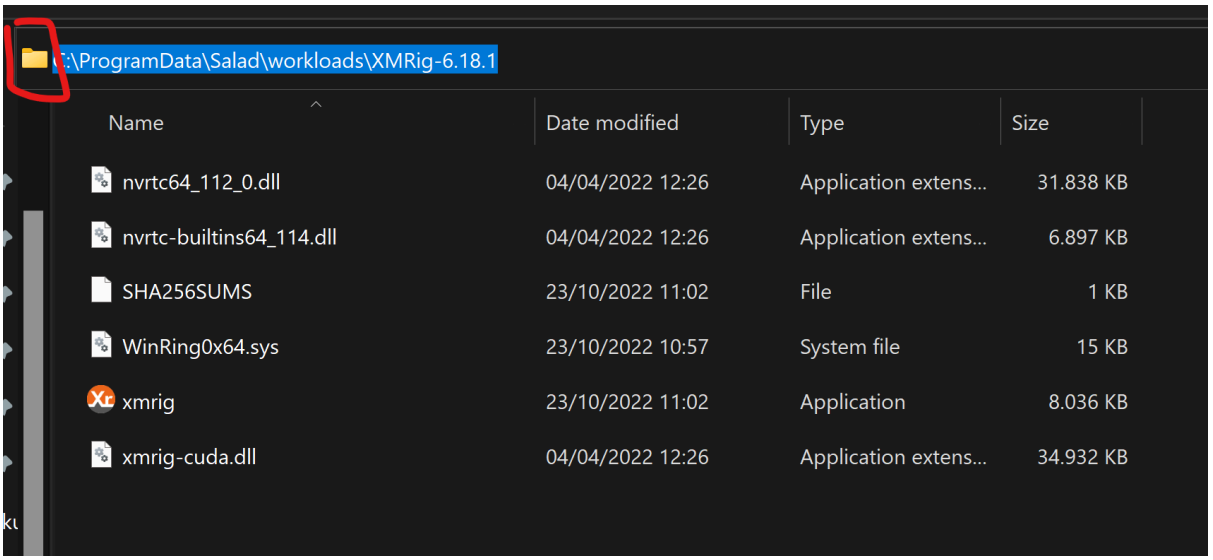


Step 8 – After you have done step 7 correctly you should see XMRig or Trex miner version x

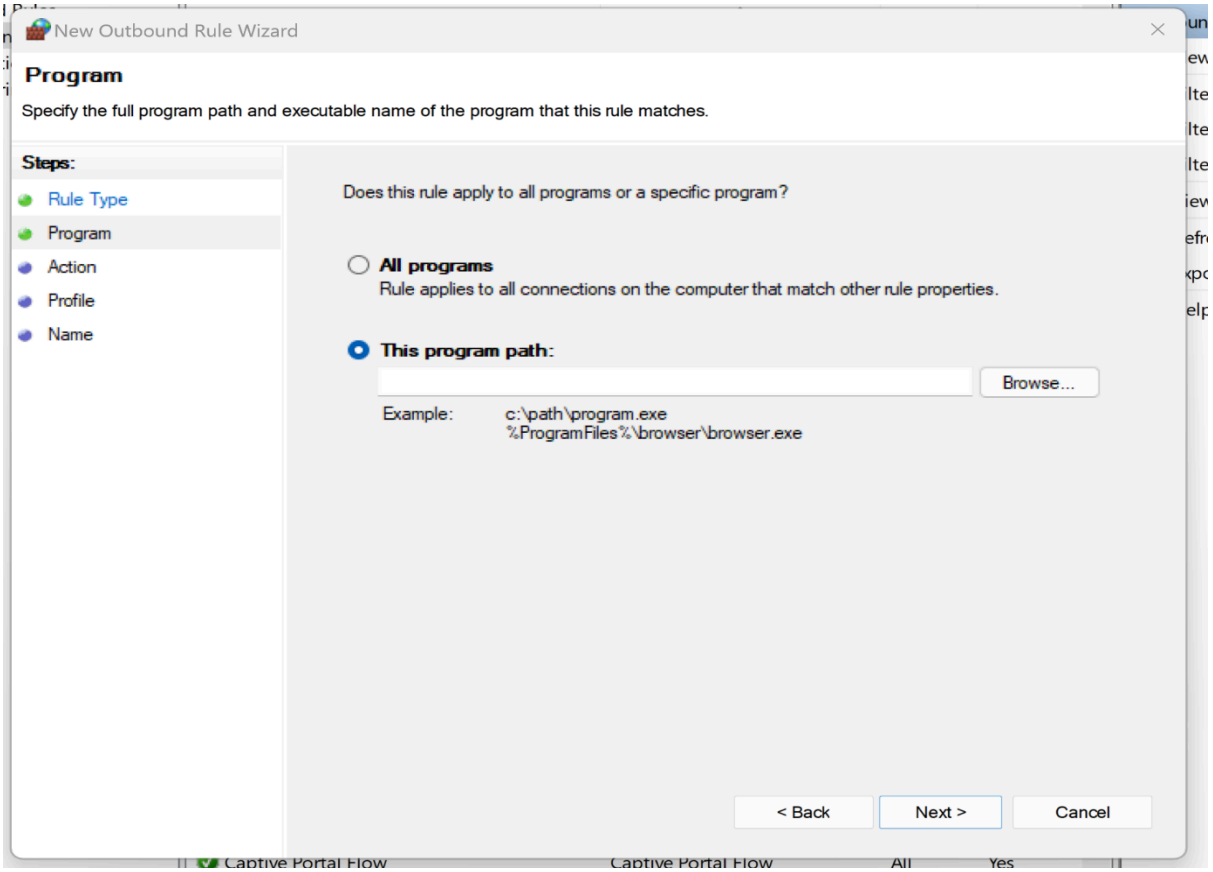




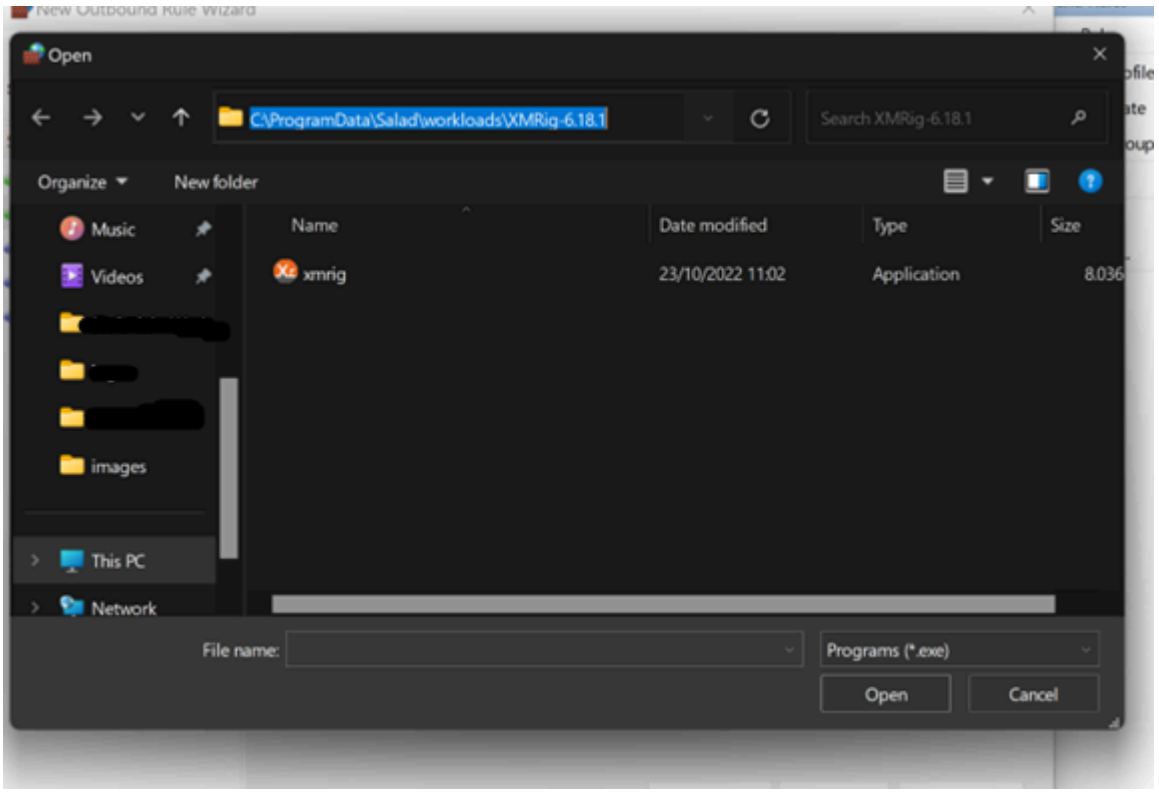
Step 9 – Copy this file path



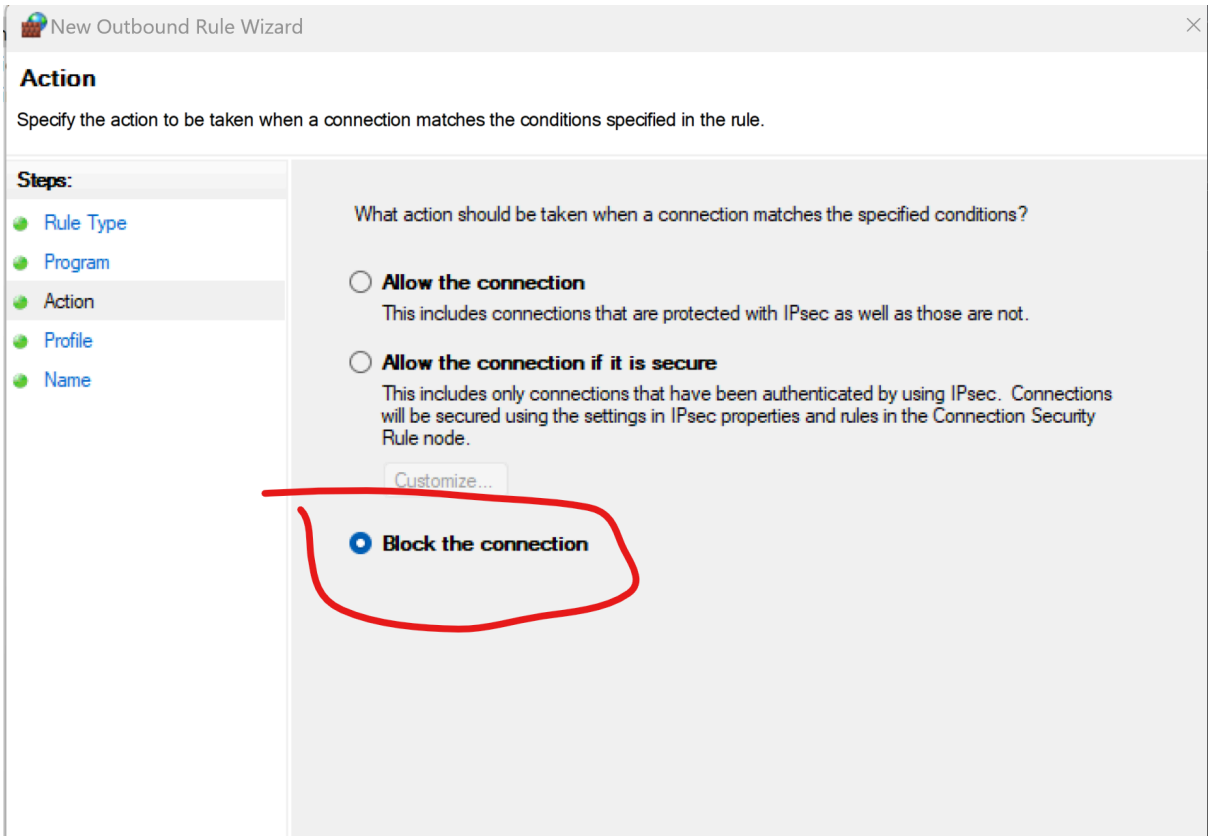
Step 10 – Go back here and click on browse



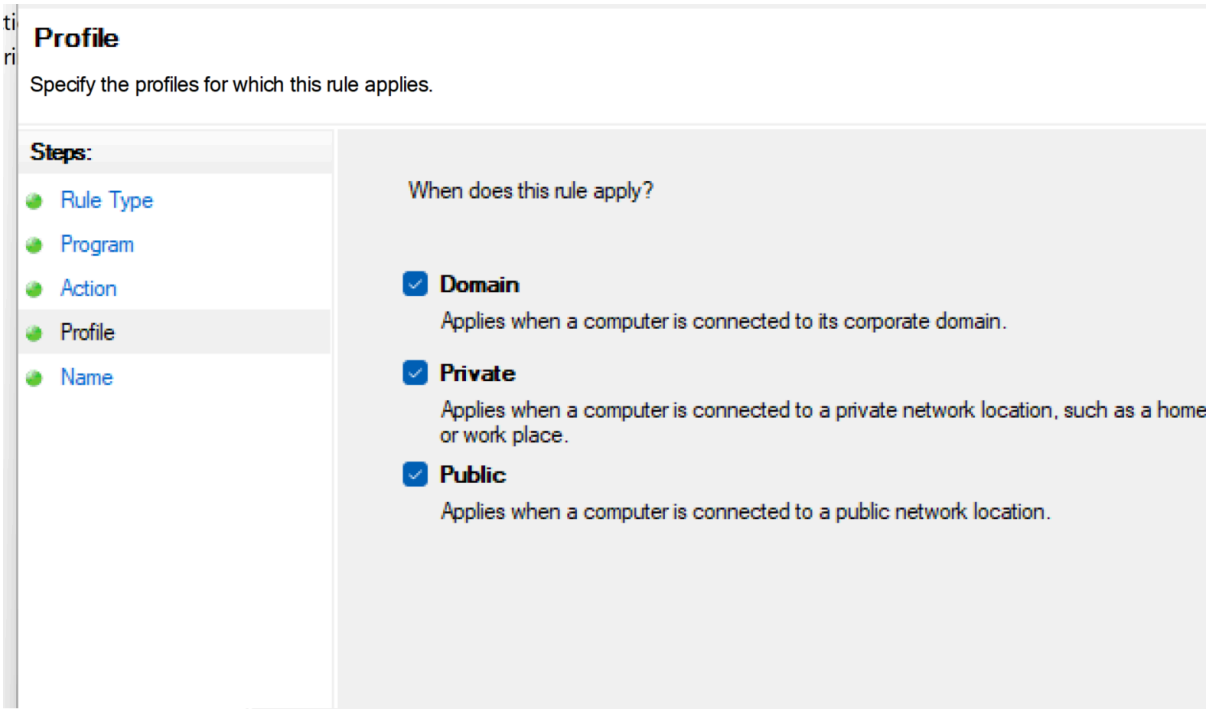
Step 11 – Now paste the file path you copied in the top bar and click on the program, after that click open corner right



Step 12 – Make sure to choose Block the connection.

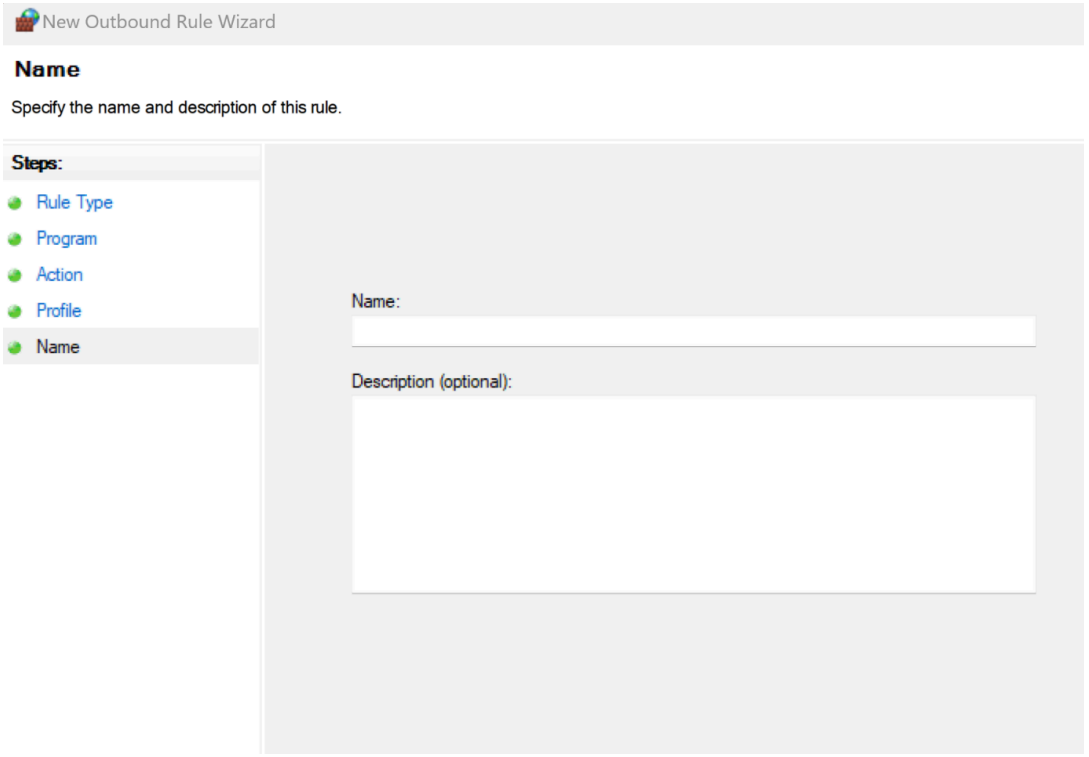


Step 13 – Make sure these 3 options are selected.

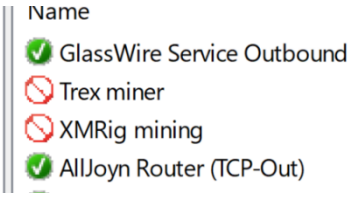


Step 14 – You can give it the name XMRig miner / Trex miner Version (x.x.x). Description can be ignored. With specify the version you can easily manage to see which versions you already blocked.

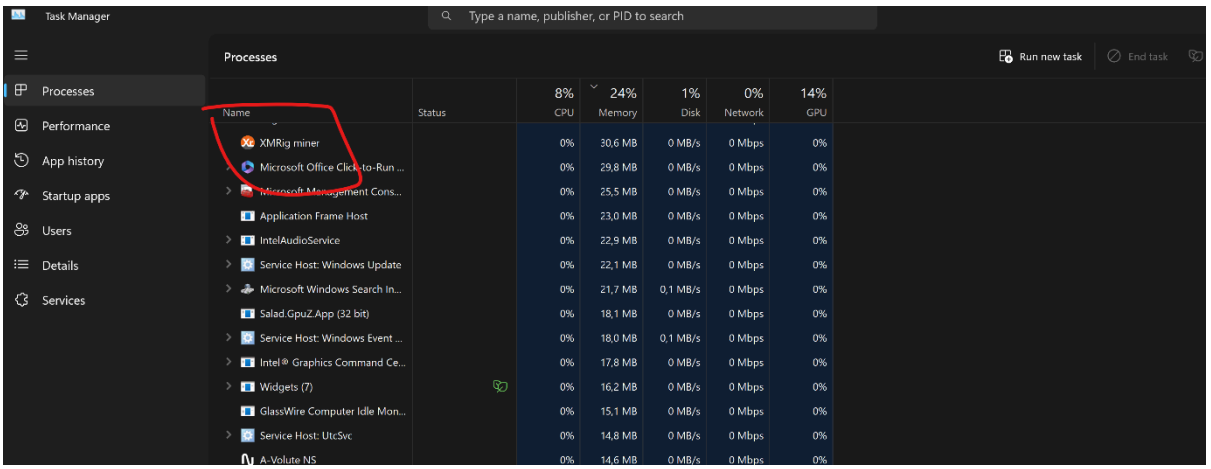
It's important to add the version in case salad falls back to a different version of the miner so you will have to block all the versions or in the future, new versions.



Step 15 – After step 14 it should look like this.



Step 16 – As you can see here the miner will still run, but it won't actually mine.



Also mentioning that it is completely normal that the salad application shows degraded / firewall issues due the miners having their connection blocked. I suggest disabling salad notifications within windows to prevent spam notifications.

These steps have already been tested out before and should work with 0 issues. Incase of any problems feel free to dm me on discord (denizabbeel)

Kind regards,

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