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Welcome to Internet Access Kit

Welcome to Internet Access Kit, your connection to the "Information Super Highway". The Internet Access Kit is designed to provide you with all of the software and service required to access the Internet.

The Internet Access Kit software consists of the popular Mosaic World Wide Web browser, E-mail software, a Usenet news reader, FTP, Telnet, and all of the TCP/IP modem communication software necessary. In the single disk version of Internet Access Kit, the EMail, Newsreader, FTP and Telnet are available via a simple download/installation procedure once connected to the network.

The Internet Access Kit utilizes the SiriusNet Network, is a national network consisting of over 100 high speed, local access numbers - covering most major metropolitan areas. For those outside the local coverage area, for an additional charge, access to the network is provided via a 1+800 number. You may sign-up with the Internet Access Kit Access Service electronically using your modem and a major credit card, or you may contact us by fax or to obtain your new account. Once you have obtained your Internet Access Kit account, you have everything you need to begin your exploration of the Internet.

- Enjoy

You have the following choices from the Welcome screen:

Register by Modem

You can electronically register with the network using your credit card and modem, by selecting the <u>Register by Modem</u> button.

Exit

This button will exit the registration application.

Register by Modem

You can use your credit card and modem to electronically register with SiriusNet. To register by modem, you will need to supply your credit card information and select a monthly service plan that best meets your usage requirements.

Click here for service plan explanations and pricing

ALL CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS ARE SENT OVER SECURE AND PRIVATE TELEPHONE LINES

In order to register by modem, you will need to complete the following information:

Full Name

This field should contain the credit card holder's full name as printed on the card.

Billing Address

These fields should contain the street number, address, city, state and zip of the billing address of the credit card.

Country

This filed should contain the country name if other than U.S. U.S. addresses may leave this field blank.

Phone

This field should contain a telephone number where you can be reached regarding billing questions and other account matters.

Card Number

This field should contain the complete credit card number (no dashes or spaces) as printed on the card.

Expires

This field should contain the expiration date of the card in mm/yy format (i.e. 02/96)

Card Type

Select the credit card type here. Only the card types listed here are accepted.

Desired Login Name

In this field is where you should specify your desired choice for your new account login name. Your account name is used during your login sequence and is contained within your electronic mail address. The name entered must be 6 characters or less.

Password

If available, this field is where you should specify your desired choice for your login password. Your password is used during your login sequence and during electronic mail retrieval. The password entered must be 8 characters or less and contain at least one digit (0-9). It is also a good idea to mix upper and lower case. For example, the password "1TooMany" is a valid password.

Cancel

This button will return you to the <u>Welcome</u> screen.

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This button will record the credit card information and then present a confirmation panel for you to review the supplied information. Once confirmed, you will be presented with the <u>Service Plan</u> dialog where you will be asked to choose your desired monthly service plan.

Modem Setup

The Modem Setup dialog is used to specify your modem configuration. The information supplied here is used for both the registration dialup process and for the Internet Access Kit applications themselves. Most of the information supplied here may be changed at a later date by using the <u>NetSetup</u> application.

Modem Type

This selection list is where you should specify the type of modem you are using. If your specific modem type is not listed, you may either choose a modem that is determined to be a close match, or you may select the "Default Settings" item to instruct Internet Access Kit not to try and initialize the modem each time before dialing.

COM port

This selection list is where you may set the COM port to which your modem is connected.

Speed

This is where you specify the speed of your modem. Since some modems support data compression, the speed selected here should be the maximum throughput speed of the modem and not necessarily the physical speed of the modem itself. For example, you may want to select a speed of "19200" for a 14.4 modem that supports data compression.

Cancel

This button will return you to the <u>Welcome</u> screen.

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This button will test your COM port selection and, if successful, continue the registration process.

Register by Fax

You can register with SiriusNet by completing and returning the fax form shipped with the software. To register by fax, select the *Register by Fax* button from the Welcome screen of the Internet Access Kit Registration application to display the fax dialog. From the fax dialog you can display the fax form (a Write document) and then follow the directions on the form for registration. Once your registration information is returned to you (also by fax) you can setup your new account by running the <u>NetSetup</u> application.

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Open Fax Form

This button will display the Internet Access Kit Fax Registration document which may be completed and faxed to the Internet Access Kit Registration Center. Follow the directions on the document to obtain your new account information.

Cancel

This button will return you to the Welcome screen.

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This button will exit the registration process and, if desired, run the <u>NetSetup</u> application where your new account information may be entered.

Register by Phone

You can register with SiriusNet by telephone. To register by telephone, have your credit card information ready, select your desired billing service plan and contact:

Internet Access Kit Customer Service Center: (800) 745-2747

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Once your registration information is returned to you (by fax or mail) you can setup your new account by running the <u>NetSetup</u> application.

Network Access Numbers

SiriusNet provides local telephone access to the Internet in over 100 of the major metropolitan areas. For those users outside these areas, a 1+800 number service available at an additional charge.

Local Access Number

The local access number list is a list of all of the current access numbers available for SiriusNet. The numbers within this list are sorted by states. You can scroll through the list and select the access number closest to your location. Directly below the list is a checkbox which will add a "1+area code" prefix to the selected number. If the number selected is not in your area code, make sure this box is selected. You may change your access number at any time. - *Remember, 1+800 access carries a per hour premium charge*

Dialing Prefix

If your telephone system requires that your include a dialing prefix (such as "9" to get an outside line) make sure that the number displayed here is as exactly as it would be dialed on your telephone.

Note: If your phone service requires a pause in the dialing sequence, insert a comma (,) within the Dial String to signify a one second pause.

Number to Dial

This field should contain the telephone number to dial for your local service. Remember to check the "1+area code" option if required.

Cancel

This button will return you to the <u>Welcome</u> screen.

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This button will save the selected telephone number and continue with the registration process.

Service Plans

SiriusNet offers three primary plans, one of which should fit your particular needs. With each of the plans, you will be billed monthly (if required) on you credit card.

Pricing for the individual plans is outlined within the electronic registration process.

To select a plan from the Service Plan dialog:

Select the desired service plan from the Billing Plan list and then select the OK button to register your selection and proceed with the registration process.

Service License

In order to complete the registration process, you must read and agree to the terms listed within the Internet Access Kit License Agreement. The Confirmation dialog panel displays the license text for you and contains a field for you to type your signature once you have read agree to its contents. Once you have entered your signature, select the OK button to continue the registration process.

You may review the license at any time by reading the file "license.txt" located within the Internet Access Kit installation directory.

Using Mosaic

The original, popular Mosaic program from NCSA has been enhanced and included in Internet Access Kit's Internet Access Kit. Mosaic provides an interface to the World-Wide Web. It also provides access to gopher and FTP servers around the world. Mosaic provides a graphical front-end to the Internet that is simple and fun to use.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, you can use the Mosaic application to download several other Internet Access Kit software packages. For more information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.

Once running, you can access detailed help on the Mosaic application by using the Help menu within the application itself.

Using EMail

The Internet Access Kit allows for the download of a popular e-mail program for sending and retrieving electronic mail. The Internet can be used not only to exchange e-mail with other Internet users, but also with users of American Online, Prodigy, Compuserve, and the other online services.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, the EMail application may be downloaded using the Mosaic application (normal connection charges will apply). For information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.

Once running, you can access detailed help on the EMail application by using the Help menu within the application itself.

Using the Newsreader

The Internet Access Kit incorporates an enhanced version of a popular Windows based newsreader. The newsreader allows easy access to the vast net news and USENET bulletin boards on the Internet.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, the News application may be downloaded using the Mosaic application (normal connection charges will apply). For information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.

Once running, you can access detailed help on the News application by using the Help menu within the application itself.

Using FTP

The File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is the primary mechanism used for sending and retrieving files across the Internet. There are public FTP sites with vast libraries of public domain and shareware software that are easily accessible via the Internet.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, the FTP application may be downloaded using the Mosaic application (normal connection charges will apply). For information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.

Once running, you can access detailed help on the FTP application by using the Help menu within the application itself.

Using Telnet

Designed for direct computer to computer connections, telnet still remains a popular medium on the Internet. Telnet is used for accessing Internet resources such as MUDs and shell accounts.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, the Telnet application may be downloaded using the Mosaic application (normal connection charges will apply). For information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.

Once running, you can access detailed help on the Telnet application by using the Help menu within the application itself.

Using Ping

Used mainly for connection testing, the Ping application allows you to "ping" another computer on the network by sending a short, small, communications packet over the network and wait for a reply from the targeted computer. This application is helpful in determining wether your internet connection is functioning properly.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, the Ping application may be downloaded using the Mosaic application (normal connection charges will apply). For information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.

Once running, you can access detailed help on the Ping application by using the Help menu within the application itself.

This application is not available for all Internet Access Kit configurations

NetSetup

The NetSetup application may be used to configure the Internet Access Kit environment. From within this application you may set or change your Internet Access Kit account name, password and local access telephone number. Using this application you may also review and/or change your modem port and speed.

The fields on this dialog include:

Account Name

This field is where you can enter or change your Internet Access Kit account name. The Internet Access Kit account name is the name you were assigned when you first registered with SiriusNet. If you registered by modem, this name was assigned to you as part of the sign-up process. If you register by fax, you will need to type in your account name from the registration fax you received - *Do not change this field unless you have been assigned a new account name from Internet Access Kit.*

Password

This field is where you can enter or change your Internet Access Kit password. Like the account name, the Internet Access Kit password is assigned either as part of the modem registration process or is located on the registration fax you received - *Do not change this field unless you have been assigned a new password from Internet Access Kit.*

Local Access Number

The local access number list is a list of all of the current access numbers available for SiriusNet. The numbers within this list are sorted by states. You can scroll through the list and select the access number closest to your location. Directly below the list is a checkbox which will add a "1+area code" prefix to the selected number. If the number selected is not in your area code, make sure this box is selected. You may change your access number at any time. - *Remember, 1+800 access carries a per hour premium charge*

Exact Number to Dial

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Downloading Applications

If you installed the Single Disk Edition of the Internet Access Kit, you will need to download the EMail, Newsreader, FTP and Telnet applications. This simple and quick procedure is done using the <u>Mosaic</u> application.

To download an application:

+ Start the Mosaic application by clicking on the Mosaic icon within the Internet Access Kit program group.

+ Using the vertical scroll bar, scroll the Mosaic initial page to near the bottom to the section pertaining to downloading applications.

+ Read this section, and select the application you would like to download. (listed with each application is a download time estimate)

The download process will begin, after which you will be presented with a dialog asking if you would like to install the just downloaded application.

+ Answer "Yes" to the install question which will begin the installation process.

After installation, you will be able to start the new application by clicking on the appropriate icon within the Internet Access Kit program group.

Uninstalling the Software

+ To uninstall the the software applications and remove all system settings, click on the Uninstall icon within the the Software program group.

- + To start the Uninstall process, select the *Start* button on the Uninstall dialog.
- + Answer "Yes" when asked if you would like to remove the Internet Access Kit directory.
- + To exit the Uninstaller, select the *Quit* button.

Using JPEG Viewer

Used for the display of JPEG compressed images, the JPEG Viewer application allows you to display color and grayscale JPEG images. This application may be used in conjunction with Mosaic as an external viewer to automatically display JPEG images that are downloaded from the Internet.

If you have installed the Internet Access Kit - Single Disk Edition, the JPEG Viewer application may be downloaded using the Mosaic application (normal connection charges will apply). For information on downloading applications, <u>click here</u>.