

WinNET(TM) Mail and News

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Note: This file assumes that you are planning to use Computer Witchcraft as your Internet/Usenet service provider. If that is not the case, please read the file ALT.TXT instead of this file for introductory information.

(READ_1ST.TXT)

Please read this file **carefully** before installing or attempting to use WinNET Mail. Getting WinNET set up on your system is quite straight-forward, but if you don't read this file before getting started, you will overlook important information necessary for proper operation of the software.

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W h a t i s W i n N E T ?

WinNET Mail (TM) is a Windows 3.1 application for sending and receiving Electronic Mail and News articles with the world-wide Internet and Usenet networks using just your Windows system and a modem. The connection with the Internet and Usenet is provided through Computer Witchcraft's computer system providing WinNET (SM) service, or through the provider of your choice. If you do not use Computer Witchcraft's service, WinNET is shareware software with a registration fee of \$99.00.

W h a t y o u n e e d t o R u n W i n N E T

1. Intel 80386/486/Pentium system

with a minimum of 2 Mbytes RAM.

2. Microsoft Windows, version 3.1, OR Chicago OR Microsoft NT OR OS/2.
3. A Hayes compatible modem.
4. A UUCP provider -- For WinNET to be able to communicate with the rest of the Internet, you need to have a UUCP service provider (unix-to-unix-copy).

WinNET comes with a module that allows you to set up a UUCP account with Computer Witchcraft, Inc., via its 1-800 telephone number (or, if you like by a direct dial number). Alternatively, you may use WinNET with a provider of your own choosing.

Provider notes:

The WinNET software is designed to work "hand and glove" Computer Witchcraft's Internet/Usenet (UUCP) service. However, the software has been carefully tested and works well with other UUCP providers as well. If you decide to use WinNET with another provider, please see the file ALT.TXT for useful information.

Costs of using WinNET Mail

The WinNET Mail software is provided to you free of charge for the purpose of connecting with the WinNET system. The WinNET system is your connection with the Internet and Usenet networks and usage is billed to you on a connect time basis.

The rate for on-line usage of the WinNET system is:

\$8.00 per hour.

There is a monthly minimum charge of \$9.95 while you have an account with us. This means that if you use less than \$9.95 worth of connect time (billed at \$8.00 per hour), you will be billed the minimum of \$9.95.

There is a per account minimum charge of \$9.95. Accounts created and then ended shortly thereafter will be billed at minimum \$9.95.

Unlike many on-line services and bulletin boards, you are only connected to WinNET for just long enough to send or receive any pending E-Mail at speeds as fast as your modem will go. This results in connection times of typically 1 to just a few minutes. In our experience, customers average 1.75 hours of connect time per month or just \$14.00 in charges. See TERMS.TXT for full details.

U.S. 1-800 Number Service

Computer Witchcraft also offers a very economical 1-800 number service that can be used to access us. This is *optional* -- it is fine to call our direct number if your location is local to ours, or if you have a calling plan with your long distance company that provides a savings. Our rates for 1-800 number service are:

M-F, 8am-5pm(ET): 18 cents/min
All other times: 12 cents/min

(Computer Witchcraft also has a Canadian 800 service, 1-800-284-6599. See TERMS.TXT for rates.)

Setting up WinNET Mail on Your System

Following are instructions for setting up WinNET Mail on your system.

STEP 1. If you received WinNET from CompuServe or some other electronic bulletin board, create a temporary directory and copy the wnmail.zip file to this directory. Run the pkunzip program (commonly available shareware from PKWARE) to unzip the wnmail.zip file in this directory.

STEP 2. From the Windows program manager File menu, or directly from the Window's File Manage program, Run the SETUP.EXE program supplied with the WinNET distribution. Use the More Information button to get more information on each screen.

STEP 3. Run the CWI Account Setup program (ACCOUNT.EXE). This will ask you for billing and credit card information. The program will call the Computer Witchcraft WinNET server and submit your account request. After a one minute pause, the program will call back to verify that the account was accepted.

All account requests will be accepted unless the System Name that you choose under SETUP is already taken by another WinNET customer. If the account request is not successful, you will need to re-run SETUP, select a different System Name, and re-run the account program.

Upgrading from an earlier version of WinNET

The instructions for upgrading a previous version of WinNET are basically the same as outlined in the above steps describing a new installation. Make sure that you put the distribution .zip file wmailto.zip in a *temporary* directory before you start (NOT the directory that currently contains WinNET) and run setup from this temporary directory. When you are asked to specify the directory where WinNET should be installed, specify the same directory where your old copy of WinNET was installed. This will cause the setup program to overwrite the old WinNET files with the files from the new version. Your old setup parameters will be detected and appear as the defaults in the setup process.

Problems with WinNET Setup

The most likely source of problems that you may have with WinNET Mail is the SETUP Communications Parameters:

1. Make sure that the COM port is set to the port that your modem uses.
2. Make sure that the interface speed is not set faster than your modem can handle.
3. Verify that the telephone number being dialed will work correctly from your facility and area.

The telephone number of the WinNET server is:

(502) 589-4131

Which is located in Louisville Kentucky, U.S.A. If you are local to Louisville, use 589-4131. You may also need to add digits to obtain an outside line or for credit card dialing.

You can verify that these settings work for your system by using the Windows Terminal program. You can also check that the modem strings supplied on the Communications Parameters screen work with your modem as well.

Please see TROUBLE.TXT for more possibilities.

FOR THOSE WISHING TO DISTRIBUTE WinNET MAIL (TM), PLEASE READ ON.

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READ_1ST.TXT  SETUP.007  QUEUED.EX_
TERMS.TXT    SETUP.008  CLEANUP.EX_
TROUBLE.TXT  SETUP.009  MEGAED.DLL
VENDOR.TXT   ACCOUNT.001  BWCC.DLL
CHAT.TXT     SETUP.EXE  WNMAIL.HL_
ALT.TXT      VIEWER.EXE  CLEANUP.HL_
SETUP.001    WNMAIL.EX_  QUEUEED.HL_
SETUP.002    UUCICO.EX_  SOURCE.DAT
SETUP.003    MAILMAN.EX_  ENCODE.EX_
SETUP.004    ACCOUNT.EX_  DECODE.EX_
SETUP.005    MAILCALL.EX_  FILE_ID.DIZ
SETUP.006    DAEMON.EX_
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