Hotlist Maintenance

When set to "Hotlist", the popUp menu located in the upper left corner of the Libraries Preferences has three menu items:

Import Hotlist...

Imports NCSA Mosaic and Netscape bookmark files directly. For Mosaic, you must first go to the Hotlist... command (under the Navigate menu) and Export the hotlist. You can also create your own lists of anchors which can be imported.

Export Hotlist...

Exports the contents of the Hotlist to a text file.

Hotlist submenu

Creates a sample Hotlist menu from the Hotlist Library. Selecting an item displays it in the message box.

Editing NetScape Bookmark Files

Using BBEdit's GREP (regular expression matching) features, it's not too difficult a task to turn your Netscape bookmark file into an HTML.edit hotlist. For information check Editing Netscape Bookmark Files.

Hotlist Library

The Hotlist Library is an editable table that creates the Hotlist menu, which is used as a reference by the URL PopUp Menu, the Anchor Utility and also the Preview menu, for loading documents via your WWW browser.

Each line of the table creates one line in the Hotlist menu, hence the text in the table does not wrap. Options include:

- starting a line with double dashes for comments
- (for a greyed menu item, <B for bold, <I for italic

Each line is either a URL or an anchor including hypertext. If the line contains a URL, it will be displayed as is; if an anchor, the hypertext will be displayed on the menu. For example, valid lines would include

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http://www.cern.ch/
<A HREF="http://www.cern.ch/"></A>
<A HREF="http://www.cern.ch/">CERN</A>
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The first two lines in the above example would display and function identically. The last line would display as "CERN" but properly reference the URL "http://www.cern.ch/".

Note that after 31 lines of text, special characters no longer have their proper effect, due to a limitation in the Apple Menu Manager.

Back to Libraries Preferences, on to Tool Palette, or return to HTML.edit Features.