

MozillaBook:
the outline

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Abstract

This is an outline for the MozillaBook project. The aim is to create a book for beginning and casual users of Mozilla and Mozilla-derived clients.

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Mozilla Users Guide Outline

I. Introduction

- A. Purpose
- B. My Experience
- C. Audience
- D. What Chapters you should use
- E. Conventions
- F. Tools Used
- G. License
- H. Thanks

II. Installation

- A. Mozilla Overview
 - 1. Skins
- B. Downloading
 - 1. Where to get Mozilla
 - 2. Platforms
 - 3. Versions
 - a. Stable Releases
 - b. Interim Releases
 - c. Nightly Builds
 - 4. Install Type
 - a. Installer Package
 - b. Manual Install
 - 5. Netscape
 - a. standard
 - b. base
- C. Starting for the first time.

III. Mozilla Basics or Getting Started

- A. Starting Mozilla
 - 1. So, you've installed Mozilla, now what?
- B. Preferences
- C. Migrating from another browser
- D. Profiles
 - 1. Profile Manager
 - 2. Moving/Migrating
[snews://secnews.netscape.com:563/b18s51\\$jeh13@ripley.netscape.com](mailto:snews://secnews.netscape.com:563/b18s51$jeh13@ripley.netscape.com)
- E. Themes
- F. Security
 - 1. Passwords
 - a. Saving
 - b. Managing
 - c. Securing

- (1) Encryption
- (2) Master Password
- (3) Logging Out

G. Advanced Settings

1. pref.js file
2. user.js file

H. Default Preferences

1. Preferences: update mozilla/bin/defaults/pref/*.js
2. Plugins: put in the global mozilla/plugins folder instead of the profile plugins folder
3. Bookmarks: replace mozilla/bin/defaults/profile/bookmarks.html

I. Restarting

IV. The Web Client

A. Basics

B. Maximizing real estate

1. Full Screen MOde

C. Bookmarks

1. Saved
2. Straightforward
3. keyword: shortcut

D. Toolbars

1. Navigation
 - a. Basic buttons
 - b. Location Bar
2. Personal
 - a.
 - b.
3. Preferences
 - a.
 - b.
4. Site Navigation
 - a.
 - b.
5. Status
 - a.
 - b.
6. Component
 - a.
 - b.
7. Advanced Preferences
 - a. Mozilla opens new window when link is clicked from OE
 - b.

E. Tabbed Browsing

1. keyboard shortcut: ctrl-Page

F. Sidebar

1. configuring
2. finding and adding new sidebars
3. the F9 key
4. shortcut: alt-PgUp/Down

G. Page Info

1. Shortcut: ctrl I

H. Plugins

1. Installing
2. Fooling the plugin installers

I. Working Offline

1. Synchronizing pages
2. Using the History -??
3. Page Source
4. Troubleshooting
 - a. Crashes
 - (1) delete XUL.mfl or XUL.mfasl
 - b. Won't start on Linux - delete 'lock' file.
 - c. Cannot access website, "due to security reasons"

J. Advanced Prefs

1. Click on link external to Moz. and get new window
user_pref("advanced.system.supportDDEExec", false);

V. Mail and News

A. Setup

1. Mail start page
2. Preferences
3. Compacting Folders (auto and manu)

B. mail & account settings

1. gen. info
2. POP or IMAP?
3. all accounts
4. signature

C. Reading mail

1. Starting up
2. Layout
3. Retrieving Messages
4. Reading
5. Replying (see Composing)
6. Junk Mail
 - a. Enabling
 - b. Settings
 - c. Training
 - (1) training.dat holds all the junk info
7. hotkeys

- a. label (1-5)
 - b. next message: f
 - c. next new message: n
- D. Composing Mail
 - 1. Format (text vs. HTML)
 - 2. Based on Composer
- E. Working Offline
 - 1. Configuring
 - 2. Selecting Folders
 - 3. syncing mail
 - 4. Unsent Messages
 - 5. Compacting Folders (auto and manu)
- F. News Client
 - 1. Setup
 - 2. walkthrough connecting to Mozilla news, or secNews
 - 3. reading messages
 - a. subscribing
 - b. retrieving headers
 - c. thread view
 - d. deleting vs. reading
 - e. offline
 - 4. posting messages
 - 5. filters
 - a. implemented in 1.3
- G. Views
 - 1. using views
 - 2. creating views
 - 3. filtering view
 - 4. sorting view
- H. Security
 - 1. Passwords (and changing)
 - 2. Component
 - a.
 - b.
 - 3. EnigMail add-on
 - a.
 - b.
- I. Junk Mail
- J. Advanced Options
 - 1. Adding a Header
 - a. user_pref("mail.compose.other.header", "X-No-Archive");
 - b. Tells news servers not to archive posts
 - c. requires to change header and type "true"
 - 2. news://news.mozilla.org:119/b1bscl\$hlm2@ripley.netscape.com
 - 3. Changing News Display Colours
news://news.mozilla.org:119/b1k13h\$ctt1@ripley.netscape.com

4. Changing Reply Date format
news://news.mozilla.org:119/3E47CF85.3050805@eml.cc
 5. Using an alternate default mail client
 6. Getting rid of the abbreviations in News folder pane
mail.server.default.abbreviate set to false
 7. Changing quoted Reply Header
- K. Troubleshooting
1. Not Receiving Messages
 - a. mis-configured client
 - b. Recently Changed password
 2. Messages not sending
 - a. force them
 - b. use return receipts
 3. Clearing messages from folder after marking deleted
 4. Attachments
 5. IMAP Mail out of sync
 6. Messages not displaying correctly
 - a. Cosmetic or problem?
 - b. delete .msf files
 - (1) These are like the table of contents
 - (2) will be regenerated
 - c. delete all files in IMAPmail, POP, mail whatever.
 7. Importing Mailfiles into Mozilla
news://news.mozilla.org:119/Xns9316DAA76575Bxjahn@attbi.com

VI. Address Book

- A. Located in abook.mab in the root of the profile directory
- B. LDAP
- C. <http://www.mozilla.org/mailnews/arch/addrbook/hiddenprefs.html>

VII. Composer

- A. Layout
 1. Toolbars
 2. Views
 3. publishing the doc
 - a. With Mozilla
 - (1) Note: Must be online
 - (2) FTP: path relative to FTP login location
 - (3) Copy and Paste
 - (4) manual copy
 - (5) manual FTP
- B. Components
- C. Composing your first doc
 1. ??
- D. SpellCheck
- E. Validate HTML

1. Connected!?!

VIII. **ChatZilla (the IRC client)**

- A.

IX. **Security**

- A.

X. **Customizing** This may just be stuff that goes in each section. I'm not sure yet.

- A. userContent.css

1. changing colors on message replies (display-only)

- B. Make Mozilla your default web and mail client

XI. **Jabberzilla**

- A. Maybe in an appendix, maybe in "popular add-ons" (not yet created)

XII. **The MozDev project**

- A.

XIII. **Appendix A: example user.js**

- A.

XIV. **Appendix B: Current Mozilla Roadmap**

- A.

XV. **Appendix C: Getting Help**

- A. Mozilla 1.x FAQ - <http://www.mozilla.org/start/1.0/faq/>