

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
  - 2. Cookies
    - a. Overview
      - (1) Third-party cookies
    - b. Privacy Settings
      - (1) Cookie acceptance Policy
      - (2) Accept
      - (3) Flag
      - (4) Session
      - (5) Rejecta
      - (6) Allowing
    - c. Cookie Manager
      - (1) Managing accumulated cookies
      - (2) Cookie Sites configuration
    - d. in Mail & News
    - e. Cookie Expiry
    - f. recipe
- 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. Navigating to Websites
  - 1. The Location Bar
- F. Navigating within Websites
  - 1. finding keywords
- G. Tabbed Browsing
  - 1. keyboard shortcut: ctrl-Page
- H. Sidebar
  - 1. configuring
  - 2. finding and adding new sidebars
  - 3. the F9 key
  - 4. shortcut: alt-PgUp/Down
- I. Page Info
  - 1. Shortcut: ctrl I
- J. Plugins
  - 1. Installing
  - 2. Fooling the plugin installers
- K. 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"
- L. 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. SMTP
  4. all accounts
  5. signature
- C. Reading mail
1. Starting up
  2. Layout
  3. Retrieving Messages
  4. Reading
  5. Replying (see Composing)
  6. hotkeys
    - a. label (1-5)
    - b. next message: f
    - c. next new message: n
  7. Attachments
- 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. Disabling HTML mail
4. Disabling images (these two should perhaps be in the config section)
5. PKI
6. EnigMail add-on
  - a.
  - b.

## I. Junk Mail

1. Enabling
2. Settings
3. Training
  - a. training.dat holds all the junk info

## 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. Add-ons, Plugins, and Helper Applications

- A. Description
  - 1. What they can do for you
  - 2. Differences between them
- B. Add-Ons
- C. Plugins
- D. Helper Apps

## X. Security

- A.

## XI. 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

## XII. Jabberzilla



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

**XIII. The MozDev project**

A.

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

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

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**XVI. Appendix C: Getting Help**

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