How to Download a Mozilla Firefox Browser

(These instructions apply to all PC users)
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Why Download another Internet Browser; Isn't Internet Explorer Sufficient?

Internet browsers use slightly different code, which means that a web page may work perfectly in one but fail to display all or part of the page in another. If the programmers who built the page site failed to check each browser, they might not have realized there was a problem. Because of this, it is useful to have at least two internet browsers installed on your computer. If a page won't work in one, try it in the second. Many times, this solves the problem.

With Windows as your operating system, you have the Internet Explorer browser already installed. Mozilla Firefox is free to download, easy to use, and offers several features that Internet Explorer has just begun to incorporate into its newer versions.

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Open Internet Explorer and type in www.firefox.com in the address bar; press Enter on the keyboard:
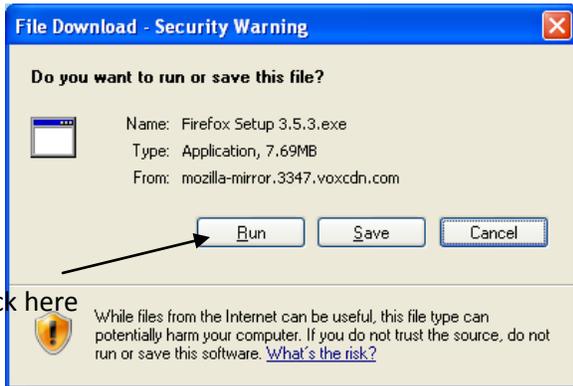
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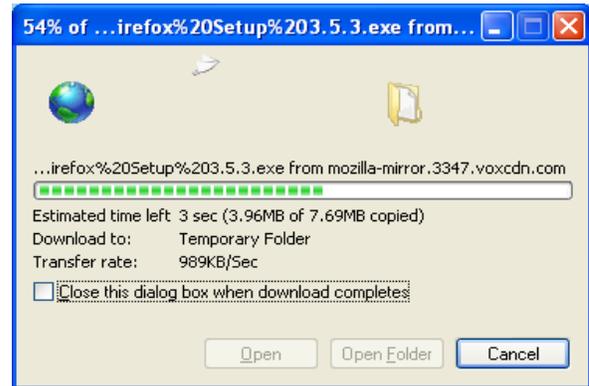

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Click on the Firefox Free Download in the window that opens to start the download process.

Because the file is not from Microsoft, a security warning window will appear; Click Run and the application will download:
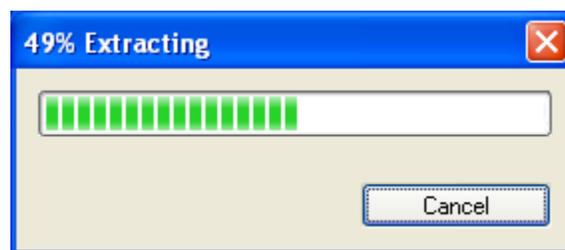
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Once downloaded, another security alert will appear because the file did not come from Internet Explorer; click Run and the file will start the extraction for the installation:
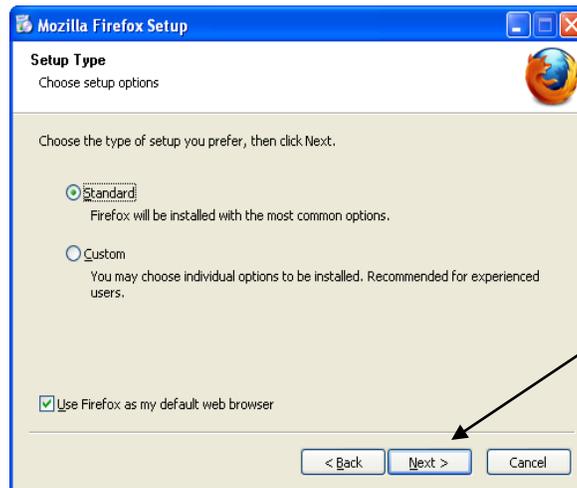
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Upon completion of the extraction process, a Mozilla Firefox Setup Wizard will open up. This wizard will guide you through the steps of setting up your Firefox browser. You have a choice of a standard installation with the most common options ((installing a Goggle toolbar, importing favorites from Internet Explorer, setting Firefox as the default browser, etc) or a custom installation that will include several additional options to customize the browser.

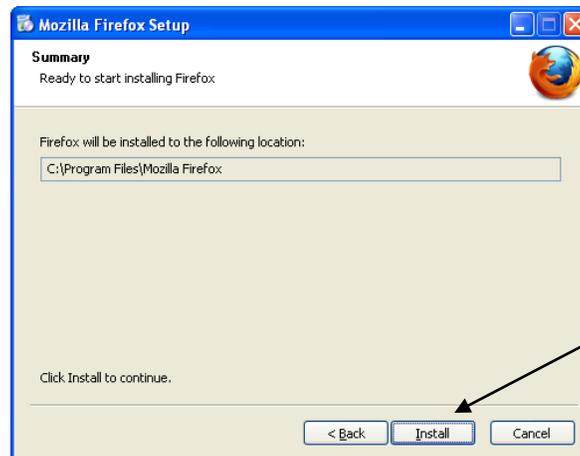On the wizard's first window, click Next.

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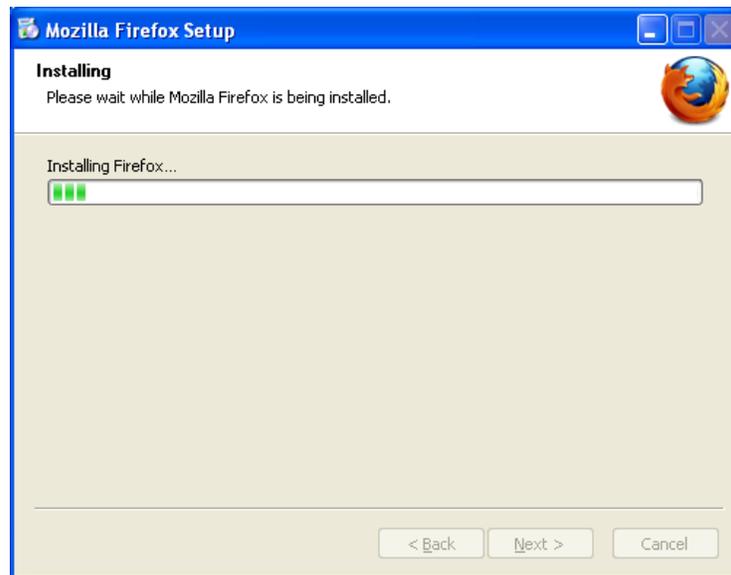The 'Standard' install is the default install; click Next.

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Click Install.

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A status window will open to show the status of the installation.

Once the installation has finished, the wizard window will return. Click Finish and launch the Firefox browser.

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