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TOPIC -----

This article describes the Apple Internet Connection Kit (AICK) 1.2 and gives product details.

DISCUSSION -----

The Apple Internet Connection Kit is an integrated collection of Apple and third-party software that lets a Macintosh computer user connect directly to the Internet quickly and easily. It's the perfect solution for users who want direct Internet access -- today.

The popularity of the Internet continues to grow exponentially, as more and more people discover the amazing information and communication resources available online. But navigating (or "surfing") the Internet requires more than just a desire to try it. You need a variety of software tools -- browsers, viewers, file-transfer programs, e-mail, and more -- as well as a qualified Internet service provider. In fact, setting up your computer for Internet connection can be a time-consuming process.

Luckily, Macintosh users who want to connect to the Internet already have one big advantage: right out of the box, the Macintosh is the easiest-to-use computer available. Now Apple has made direct Internet connection easier than ever for Macintosh owners.

With the Apple Internet Connection Kit, you get high-quality, "best of class" software in all of the categories you need for successful Internet access and use. You also get the Apple Internet Dialer, which makes signing up with a qualified Internet service provider and getting connected to the Internet a matter of minutes rather than days. Just double-click the application and fill in the blanks, and the Apple Internet Dialer will call a service provider for you. Within minutes, you'll be connected to the Internet -- where you can send and receive e-mail, conduct research, plan your own travel itinerary, play games, shop, and much, much more.

Because dealing with the Internet sometimes raises more questions than it answers, the Apple Internet Connection Kit includes a Getting Started Guide and special Apple Guide online help, as well as third-party documentation.

The Apple Internet Connection Kit -- the easiest, fastest, most complete tool for connecting your Macintosh computer directly to the Internet.

Features

Quick, direct Internet access

- Features software that makes creating an account with an Internet service provider a quick, online process
- Includes all of the software tools needed for direct Internet access
- Lets you access and use all the Internet hot spots: the World Wide Web (WWW), e-mail, newsgroups, and FTP servers
- Enables local area networks that are connected to the Internet to standardize on one set of Internet tools

Ease of use

- Provides an all-in-one solution for Internet connection
- Installs easily; one-button installation and configuration for all key applications
- Helps you automatically create a new account with an Internet service provider, or you can use an existing account
- Is compatible with other Internet tools

Applications included

- Apple Internet Dialer, online Internet service registration and connection software
- Netscape Navigator
- Apple Guide for the Apple Internet Connection Kit
- Claris EMailer Lite
- Dartmouth Fetch
- NewsWatcher
- NCSA Telnet
- QuickTime plug-in
- QuickTime VR Player
- Macromedia Shockwave plug-ins
- RealAudio Player
- Adobe Acrobat Reader
- Aladdin Stuffit Expander
- OnBase Technology DragNet
- Farallon Look@Me
- Dartmouth MacPing
- PPP and SLIP software

Technical support

- Includes a Getting Started Guide and electronic third-party documentation
- Features online help via Apple Guide assistance
- Provides access to Apple Internet Connection Kit website
- Provides telephone support for installation and configuration

Product Details

Apple Internet Dialer online Internet service registration software

- Helps you automatically create an account with an Internet service provider
- Offers a choice of qualified Internet service providers in your area
- Configures the applications to run on your system

Netscape Navigator browser software

- Allows you to browse the World Wide Web

Claris EMailer Lite software

- Enables you to send and receive Internet e-mail

Dartmouth Fetch FTP software

- Lets you access File Transfer Protocol (FTP) services to download specific files

NewsWatcher browser software

- Allows access to Usenet newsgroup discussions

NCSA Telnet terminal emulation software

- Allows your Macintosh to emulate a terminal for connection to many libraries and catalogs

QuickTime plug-in, QuickTime VR Player

- Lets you view video and interactive multimedia presentations over the Internet

Macromedia Shockwave plug-ins

- Lets you interact with "shocked" websites containing Macromedia Authorware, FreeHand, and Director multimedia content

RealAudio Player

- Enables you to hear live audio broadcasts over the Internet

Adobe Acrobat Reader

- Lets you view Portable Document Format (PDF) files in their exact original format

Aladdin Stuffit Expander decompression software

- Automatically decompresses files that you download from the Internet

OnBase Technology DragNet

- Helps you organize your frequently visited websites, newsgroups, and FTP sites, as well as keep track of your favorite e-mail addresses

Farallon Look@Me

- Lets you view another Look@Me user's screen anywhere in the world for real-time collaboration over the Internet

Dartmouth MacPing

- Provides a useful network troubleshooting tool

PPP and SLIP software

- Allows the use of the MacTCP application program over your modem line, so your Macintosh and Internet applications can communicate with the protocols used by the Internet (PPP and SLIP)

Support

- Includes a Getting Started Guide to help you get acquainted with the Internet and set up your account with an Internet service provider
- Provides telephone support for installation and configuration

Online help and documentation

- Includes Internet-specific Apple Guide online help
- Offers third-party documentation on CD
- Provides access to Apple Internet Connection Kit website

System requirements

- Apple Macintosh, Power Macintosh, PowerBook, or other Mac OS-based computer (68030 or later)
- Minimum 12MB of RAM with virtual memory, 16MB recommended
- Macintosh system software version 7.5 or later
- A 9,600 bps (or faster) modem (28,800 bps recommended) or a connection to a local area network that is already connected to the Internet
- A minimum of 25MB of available hard disk space
- A high-density floppy disk drive or CD-ROM drive

Ordering Information

Apple Internet Connection Kit

Order No. 504181U

- CD-ROM with disc exchange containing all of the Internet software and support (including electronic documents) described in "Product Details"

For information regarding ClarisPLUS volume licensing, contact Claris Corporation at one of the following:

For K-12: 1-800-747-7483

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For more information about Apple's Internet products, visit our website at:
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