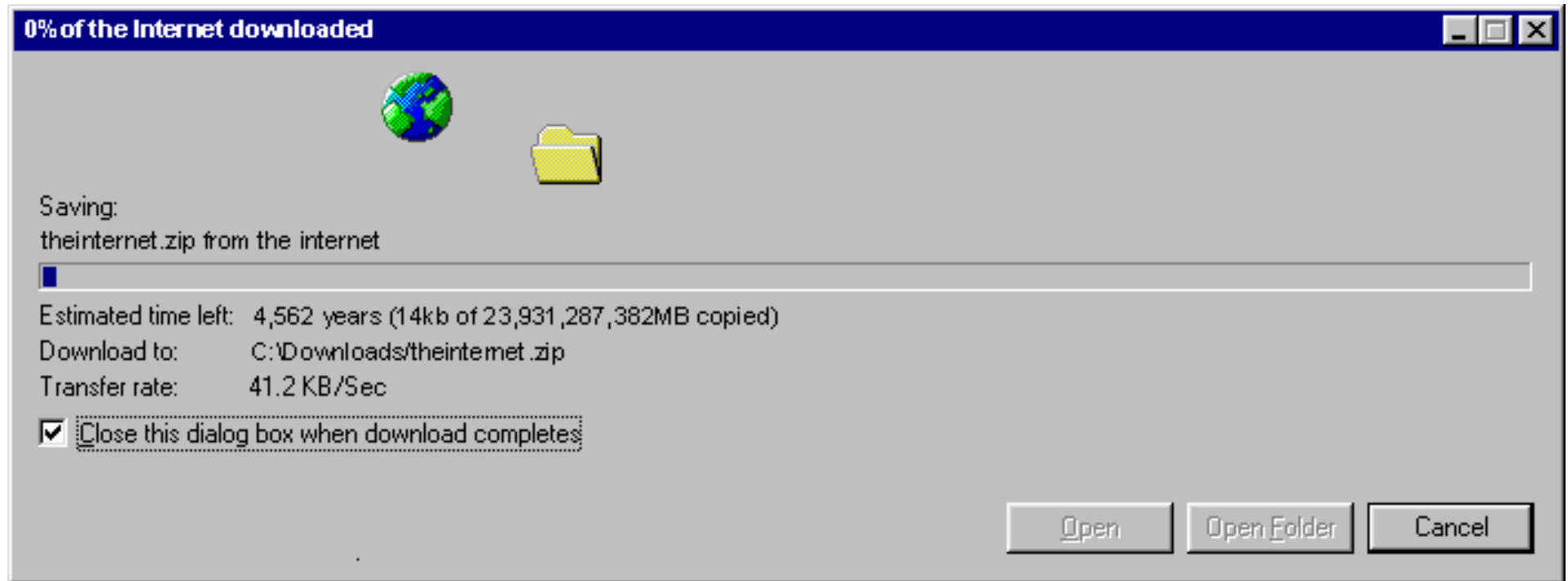


Welcome to the Internet SIG



Safe Downloading



Discussion Topics

- What do we download?
- What happens when you download files?
- Finding download sites
- Safe Practices
- Download Errors
- Things to try to fix errors
- **The worst download error(s)**
(in my opinion)

What is the download process?

- Your browser sends a request to the website for the file.
- The website either denies the request or opens the download window.
- Many files are saved in temporary storage until you specify where to save them. This is done by the browser to help make future downloads faster. They are already downloaded on your PC

Someone once told me that they stay safe by hardly ever downloading anything!

I explained how wrong they were.

As soon as you open your web browser, you are downloading. The browser will download changes to your home page, browser updates, etc.

What Do People Download

- Operating System updates
- Software updates
- Images
- Audio/Video Files
- Documents
- Many other files

Want to see temporary files that have been stored on your Windows computer?

1. Open the run utility by pressing the Windows Key and R
2. Type %temp% in box. Hit enter or click OK.

NEVER DOWNLOAD FILES YOU DIDN'T SEARCH FOR!

Some other precautions to take:

- * Try to get from the original authors site
- * Do a web search for the file name
- * Download from safe download repositories
- * Scan the download link/file with [Virus Total](#)



BE ALERT

DON'T GET HURT

A Few Safe Download Sites

(in my opinion)

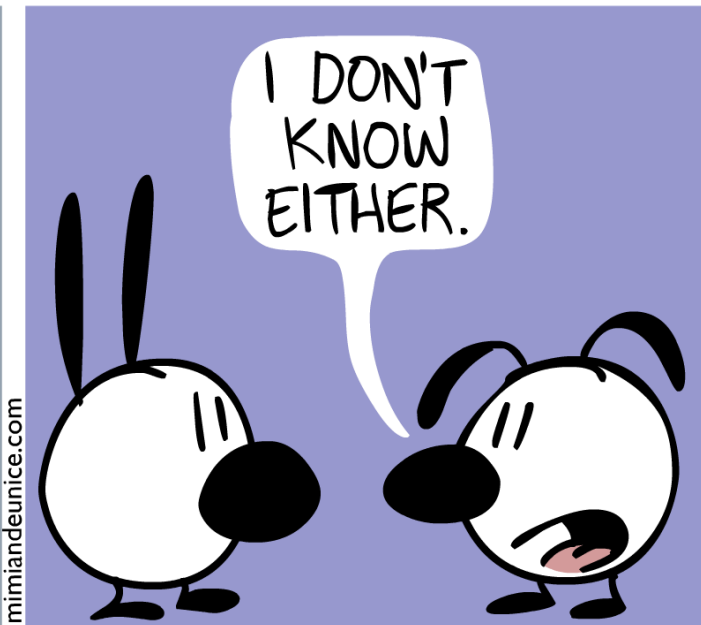
- [Gizmo's Freeware](#)
- [Major Geeks](#)
- [FileHippo](#)
- [Donation Coder](#)
- [SnapFiles](#)

Common Download Errors

- Download Blocked – your computer security settings stopped the file from downloading
- No File – the file you're downloading doesn't exist or has been moved
- Virus Scan Failed – your antivirus blocked the download
- Forbidden – you don't have permission to the file
- Many Others

What To Do?





Things To Try To Fix Downloads

- Re-download the file
- Try using a different web browser
- Try Downloading from a different site
- Try right clicking and select “Save File As”
- Temporarily disable anti-virus
- Do a web search for the problem
- [Ask the Experts](#) (also a solution for other problems)

The Download Problem

I **HATE** Most!

- 0x0xc1900223223
- 0x80240034
- 0x8007000E
- 0x80242006
- 0x80244018
- 0x80D02002
- 0x80246017
- 0x80240438
- 0x80070070
- 0x8007000D
- 0x80246008
- 0x80096004
- 0x80070020

and many more

The screenshot shows the Windows Update interface. The browser address bar displays "Windows Update" and a search field. The left sidebar contains navigation options: "Check for updates", "Change settings", "View update history", "Restore hidden updates", "Updates: frequently asked questions", and "See also" with sub-items "Security Center" and "Installed Updates". The main content area is titled "Windows Update" and features a red error banner with a shield icon containing a white 'X'. The banner text reads: "Windows could not search for new updates. An error occurred while checking for new updates for your computer." A "Try again" button is located to the right of the error message. Below the banner, the error details are listed: "Error(s) found: Code 80072EFD Windows Update encountered an unknown error." A link "Get help with this error" is provided. At the bottom, the update status is shown: "Most recent check for updates: Today at 10:34 AM", "Updates were installed: Today at 10:53 AM. View update history", and "You receive updates: Managed by your system administrator". A link "Check online for updates from Microsoft Update" is present, with a mouse cursor hovering over it.

Windows Update

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Try again

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Updates were installed: Today at 10:53 AM. [View update history](#)

You receive updates: Managed by your system administrator

[Check online for updates from Microsoft Update](#)

Check for updates

Change settings

View update history

Restore hidden updates

Updates: frequently asked questions

See also

Security Center

Installed Updates

How I Personally Avoid Windows Update Problems

- Use Linux
- I don't update unless absolutely necessary
- Most Windows update problems are fixed in a week or two
- [Windows Update Troubleshooter](#)

What's The Next SIG Topic

- Staying safe on the Internet
- Web Browsers, Extensions, etc.
- Search Engines and Searching Tips
- Online Services and Download Sites
- TV and Movie Streaming
- **And Whatever you want to talk about!**

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*That's all
Folks*

