

Microsoft Windows XP

Pop-up Blocker



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=Shortcut =Advice =Caution

For users of Windows XP, Service Pack II and Internet Explorer, Pop-Up Blocker prevents pop-up windows from appearing. The Pop-up blocker is automatically installed as a part of Service Pack II. This program blocks unwanted advertisements, but it may also block new windows containing files that you want to see. When a pop-up appears, you have several choices, outlined below:

Summary	
1.	Temporarily Allow Pop-ups
2.	Always Allow Pop-up from a site
3.	Settings

Temporarily Allow Pop-ups

When the yellow banner (**Figure 1**) appears on the toolbar of your web browser, you have received and blocked a pop-up. Several instances may exist when you want to allow pop-ups. Maybe if you know you are going to be working with a lot of pop-ups, or if you are surfing the web and want to receive pop-ups, you can temporarily receive pop-ups. To Temporarily receive pop-ups, right click on the yellow banner (**Figure 1, 1**). Left click on **Temporarily Allow Pop-ups** (**Figure 1, 2**). Until the pop-up blocker is turned back on, pop-ups will now be allowed to load onto your screen.

Figure



Always Allow Pop-ups from This Site...

Some websites can be trusted and others have pop-ups critical to their functionality. These sites should be given permission to Always Allow Pop-ups from This Site. When given this setting, pop-ups from the site in question will always be allowed and you will not have to worry about the pop-up blocker interfering with your work on the site. To Always Allow Pop-ups from This Site, right click the yellow banner when a pop-up has opened (**Figure 2, 1**) and left click **Always Allow Pop-ups from This Site** (**Figure 2, 1**).

Figure



Settings

Turn off pop-up blocker

When the pop-up blocker it is turned off, all pop-ups will be given access to appear on your screen. To turn off the pop-up blocker, inside Internet Explorer go to **Tools > Pop-Up Blocker > Turn Off Pop-up Blocker**.

Alternatively, you can right-click on the yellow banner displaying a blocked pop-up and place your cursor over **Settings**. Then left-click on **Turn Off Pop-up Blocker**.

Turn pop-up blocker back on

To turn the pop-up blocker back on, inside Internet Explorer, go to **Tools > Pop-Up Blocker > Turn On Pop-up Blocker**.

Information Bar Help

The Information Bar Help is a tutorial on how to use the pop-up blocker. For additional information on the pop-up blocker, go to go to **Tools > Pop-Up Blocker > Settings >** and click on **Information Bar Help**.

