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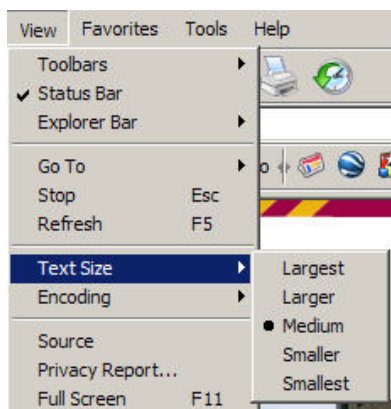
Changing Text Size in your Web Browser

If you’ve ever wished that the text on a website was larger or more readable, it’s helpful to know that you can easily customize your web browser to display the text larger or smaller on most websites. Web browsers such as **Internet Explorer** and **Firefox** include settings that enable you to increase or decrease text size.

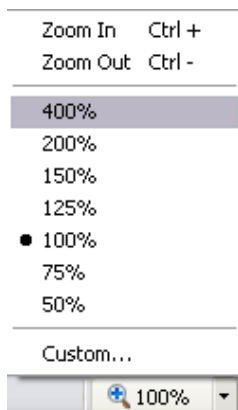
Follow these steps within your web browser to change size settings:

Internet Explorer

Go to the **View Menu**, select **Text Size**, and choose between Largest –Smallest.

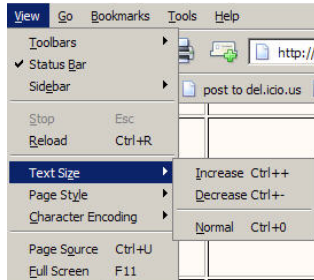


In **Internet Explorer 7**, there is an additional way to adjust text size. In the bottom right corner of the browser window, click on the magnification button to increase or decrease the text size by percentage.



Firefox and Netscape

Go to the **View** menu, select **Text Size**, and choose **Increase** or **Decrease** (or use the keyboard shortcuts Ctrl ++ for Increase Text, Ctrl – for Decrease Text).



Safari

Go to the **View Menu** and select **Make Text Bigger**.

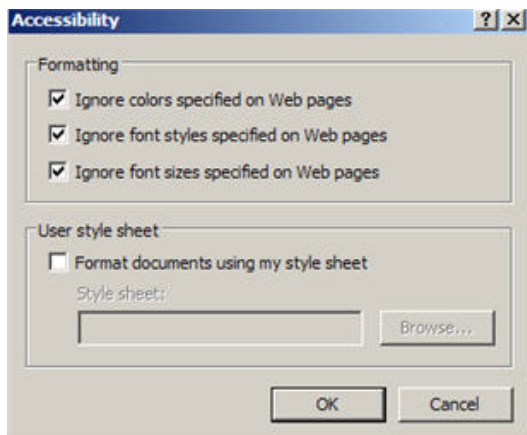
If changing the size settings doesn't help...

Adjusting browser settings works best when websites are specifically designed to provide user control and accessibility. Some websites are designed to defeat browser settings.

Here are instructions to help override website settings:

Internet Explorer

1. Go to the **Tools** menu and select **Internet Options**.
2. In the Internet Options dialog box, click the **Accessibility** button (which is located in the bottom right corner).
3. Check the following items in the Accessibility dialog box:
 - Ignore colors specified on Web pages
 - Ignore font styles specified on Web pages
 - Ignore font sizes specified on Web pages



4. Click **OK**.

Text resizing should work well in **Firefox**, even if the website is not designed for flexibility. In **Firefox**, images cannot be resized and some sections of the website may not resize.

Resources:

<http://www.w3.org/WAI/changedesign.html>

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