

Nice tools for my computer...

Here is a list of software or tools that are nice and handy. Some of them, for licenses purposes, cannot be installed on your Schlumberger computer. But that can be useful for your home computer. This tools goes from Searching internet to Internet Firewall or graphical tools. Of course use this at your own risks (humor) we can't know all the configurations, that's why for Schlumberger we use the Standard Image.

Search the Internet (Home & Work):

One of the best search engines on the web is: www.google.com

Search tips:

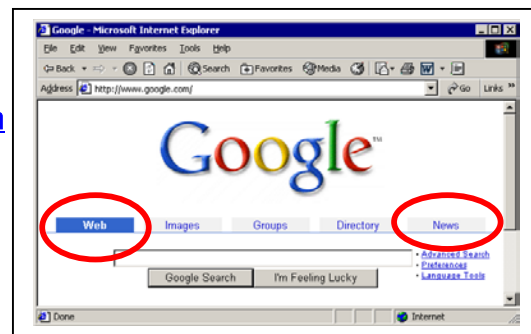
- Avoid conjunction words (ex: a , the , for, ...)
- Use keywords (specific to what you are searching for)
- Don't put too many words (4 or 5 max)
- Look through the 2 or 3 first pages.

What's nice?

- Search by keywords (normal)
- Search by image name (may be useful from time to time)
- News page summary (very nice, it will pull from different sites a summary of the latest news)

Nice Tool: <http://toolbar.google.com/>

- Google Toolbar lets you search at anytime
- Google Toolbar will prevent popup windows.



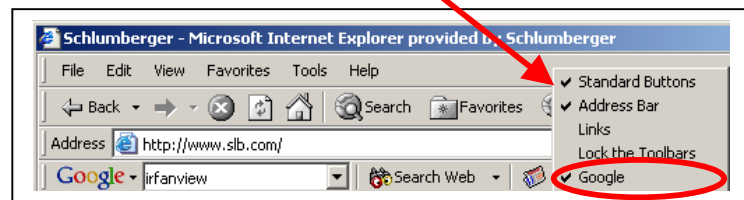
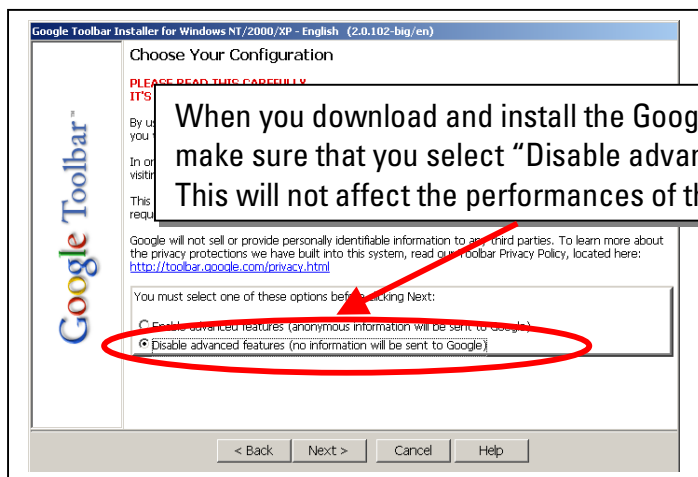
Block pop-up windows.



Enter the search string and press "Enter"

When you download and install the Google Toolbar, make sure that you select "Disable advanced features". This will not affect the performances of the toolbar

To disable Google toolbar, right click on your bar then un-check google.



Basic Graphical tool (Home Only):

This is a very nice freeware for Home use only: <http://www.irfanview.com/>

What's nice?

- Very Fast, and do most of graphical functions and filters.



Basic Home Firewall (Home Only):

If your computer is always connected to internet (broadband connection, DSL, Cable, ...) people can try to penetrate your system and conduct illegal actions or use it. A firewall will prevent any intruder. The following software is a freeware for Home use only from **ZoneLabs**:

<http://www.zonelabs.com/>

(Direct download) http://download.zonelabs.com/bin/free/1001_zl/zaSetup_37_211.exe

What's nice?

- Ask you each time an executable tries to access internet. You can then grant it access or not.
- Block any incoming traffic that you haven't initiated. Block intruders
- Catch certain email attachments that contain viruses.



Clean Spywares and Nasty programs (Home Only):

A **spyware** is a piece of program that watches where you go on the internet, or what you do, and then sends the information back to a specific site. Usually it is not too harmful. It will be used to target spam or adds to your computer later on.

Nasty programs will, for example, change your web browser home page all the time, add shortcuts to sites you don't want to go, etc. Ad-Aware has a freeware version for Home Usage that will look for the most common ad-wares and spywares:

Main site: <http://www.lavasoftusa.com/>

Direct Download: <http://www.lavasoftusa.com/support/download/>



Email Client – Spam Control (Home only):

Eudora has released a new version 6.0 that has an integrated Spam control. It will use the whitelist logic. At the beginning you will have some valid email, which will be categorized as spam. You then teach Eudora that these addresses are not Junk mail. Within a couple of weeks Eudora will know your correspondent email address and the spam control will be more and more efficient.

<http://www.eudora.com/>



AntiVirus Client – Freeware (Home only):

AVG provides a free version for home use only. It will offer an automatic update of the virus definition. An out-of-date antivirus is like having no antivirus at all.

http://www.grisoft.com/us/us_dwnl_free.php

