



Federal Trade Commission

Introduction

What Will These Lessons Cover?

Dealing with the government bureaucracy and their many organizations can be a grueling chore, but it is a necessity at times to get the answers you need and to accomplish many things in your daily life. Fortunately, the Internet can reduce some of the pains red tape, making things bearable, if not downright easy! In the following lessons, we'll show you how to access many key government sites and unleash the plentiful resources within them.

How Does This Work?

The foundations of the Internet were actually developed by the US government, so it's no wonder that they have fully embraced the technology and implemented it within many of its institutions. Though the Federal government is broad in terms of the services it provides -- from education to health care to business and beyond -- sites on the Internet share a number of common features that make them more accessible to the public. As with many Internet sites, government sites allow you to search their sites by keyword to quickly find the things you need. You'll also be able to find quick links to informational guides on how to make sense of government documents and fill out forms. And if you're still having trouble, you can directly get in contact with these organizations online to ask questions. These question and answer sessions are in turn placed into an archive for users to search, so previous answers to commonly asked questions can be found with ease. Other useful features include downloadable government forms, articles about government research, the latest news with organizations, and much more!

How Can I Use This?

If you're dealing with a government organization, the Internet is definitely the way to go. The resources online have been structured specifically for the public, with the goal of making things simpler to use and cutting down on the red tape.

Recommended Sites/Services

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www.ftc.gov