REPORTNET AND POPUP BLOCKERS

When you first run a report in ReportNet, you're looking at HTML by default. In order to generate a non-HTML page, such as Excel or Acrobat, ReportNet uses a “pop-up” window. A pop-up window should be harmless except aggressive advertisers have gone overboard and can literally fill your screen with dozens of annoying pop-up windows. To combat this most web browsers come with active “pop-up blockers”.

Your desktop computer may have several pop-up blockers in different areas – browsers, toolbars, and firewalls. The object is NOT to totally disable your pop-up blockers, but rather to enable pop-up windows for certain trusted websites. To allow for pop-ups in Browsers and Toolbars, follow the instructions below.

Google Toolbar

The pop-up blocker can be told to remember these sites so pop-up windows are allowed to launch. This information is stored on your computer in what's known as a "white list". The pop-up blocker uses the white list to turn itself off when you visit sites whose pop-ups you don't mind viewing.

As you find sites that have pop-ups you want to see, click the pop-up blocker button to add that site to your white list. (The white list is never actually displayed.) Repeat this process as you find websites where you want to see pop-ups.

Yahoo Toolbar

Add the source of the pop-up window to your Allowed List by doing the following:

Click the Pop-Up Blocker menu.
Select "Always Allow Pop-Ups From".
Select the site from the "Sources of Recently Blocked Pop-Ups" list.
Click "Allow".

This allows all pop-ups from this web site to appear without further action.

Internet Explorer (Windows)

Tools Menu
Choose Pop-up Blocker Settings
Add the web site you want to allow pop-ups from

Firefox (Windows, Macintosh)

Go to Tools -> Options (for Mac OS X: Firefox menu -> Preferences)
Click Web Features or Content
Click Allowed Sites
Add websites you want to allow pop-ups from

Safari (Macintosh)

The Safari browser does not allow you to selectively allow pop-ups from individual web sites. There are two ways to disable Safari's pop-up blocker.

Go to the Safari menu and un-check the option to “Block Pop-up Windows.” You may also use the -K Keyboard shortcut.

Go to the Safari menu and select the “Preferences…” option. Click on the “Security” icon, find the “Web Content” section, and then un-check the box next to “Block pop-up windows.”

Netscape/Mozilla (Windows, Macintosh)

Open the Preferences menu
Using a PC, the Preferences menu is in the Edit menu
Using a Mac, the Preferences menu is in the Netscape/Mozilla menu
Open the Privacy and Security Menu
Select Pop-Up Windows and un-check “Block un-requested pop-ups”

Other pop-up blockers

For other pop-up blockers, we recommend either (i) setting an option that blocks only un-requested pop-ups, or (ii) setting an option that blocks all pop-ups but allows for some websites to be specified as exceptions. The Help for your blocking software should tell you how to do this.

If you are unsure of which type of popup blocker you have, how to disable it, or you need additional assistance please contact IRTHelp@stthomas.edu.