

Adding the Area Code to the Dialup Number

On July 17, 2010 all phone calls made will have to be dialed with 10 digits, area code + 7 digit number. This includes the number your computer dials to connect to the internet.

Following are the instructions for most operating systems.

Windows 98: Double click on My Computer from the desktop, Double Left click on Dial-Up Networking, Right click on the icon for your dialup connection and Left click on Properties. The area code should be listed already. Add the area code in front of the number. Click on OK then close out any windows which are open.

Windows ME: Start> Settings> Control Panel. Double click on Internet Options, choose the Connections tab, and click on Settings. On the next page click on the Properties button across from Username. Under Phone number add your area code to the number. OK three times and close the Control Panel window. Try to connect to the internet.

Windows XP: Start> Settings> Control Panel, or Start> Control (depending how Windows is set up).

- a. If you are in classic view, double click on Internet Options. (go to step 2.)
- b. If you are in Category view, click on Network and Internet Connections, then click on Set up or change your Internet connection.

2. Choose the Connections tab, and click on Settings. On the next page, click on the Properties button across from Username. Under Phone number add your area code to the number. OK three times and close the Control Panel window. Try to connect to the internet.

Windows Vista: Start> Control Panel,

a. If you are in classic view, double click on Internet Options. Choose the Connections tab. Properties. Click on the Settings button, choose the Properties button across from User name towards the bottom, add the area code to the number listed and OK out of all of the windows and close Control Panel. Try to connect.

b. If you are in Category view, click on Network and Internet, and then choose Internet Options. Choose the Connections tab, click on the Settings button, choose the Properties button across from User name towards the bottom, add the area code to the number listed and OK out of all of the windows and close Control Panel. Try to connect.

Windows 7: Start> Control Panel. Double click on Network and Internet. Choose Internet Options. Choose the Connections tab, click on the Settings button, choose the Properties button across from User name towards the bottom, add the area code to the number listed and OK out of all of the windows and close Control Panel. Try to connect.

Mac OS X 10.n

Most of the OS X versions are similar.

Apple symbol> System preferences. Under Internet & Network choose Network. Choose the PPP tab and the modem should also be showing. Add the area code to the number and click on Save at the bottom of the page.

Close the windows and test connection.