

ASCENDER Recommended Browser Settings

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The ASCENDER Browser Settings document lists supported browsers and recommended browser settings which will allow you to utilize the ASCENDER system at its fullest potential on any personal computer.

Supported Browsers

Currently, ASCENDER supports the following browsers:

For PC users:

- Google Chrome (current version)
- Mozilla Firefox (current version)

For Mac users:

• Apple Safari (current version: Mac only)

Note: Safari is the only browser that ASCENDER supports on the Mac.

Please check your browser settings to ensure that your browser is set up to produce the best results with ASCENDER.

Screen Resolution

The minimum recommended screen resolution is 1280 x 1024.

Task Bar Setup

Windows 7 allows pages to be opened directly from your task bar. With the ASCENDER system, this feature will allow you to easily access different reports, pages, and applications, all from one centralized location. This feature is disabled by default but recommended for ASCENDER.

| [| \square Right-click the desktop, and select Personalize . The personalization dialog box is displayed. | |
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| F | \neg | Under See also (located near the bottom-left corner of the dialog box), click Taskbar and Start |
| | _ | Menu. The Taskbar and Start Menu Properties dialog box is displayed. |
| | \neg | On the Taskbar tab under Preview desktop with Aero Peek, select Use Aero Peek to preview |
| - | _ | the desktop. |
| Į | | Click OK . |
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Browser Setup

Google Chrome

To ensure optimal security when using Chrome, you must turn off some default settings using the following steps. From the Chrome menu, select Settings.

Privacy and security

Clear Cache on Exit

- Click Cookies and other site data.
- Select Clear cookies and site data when you quit Chrome.

Enable Pop-up Windows

ASCENDER uses pop-up windows to display reports and other information. The ASCENDER website must be set up as an allowed site.

- Click Site Settings.
- Click Pop-ups and redirects.
- Blocked (recommended) is selected, go to the next step.
- Next to **Allow**, click **ADD**.
- In the **Site** field on the Add a site dialog box, type the exact website address that you use to access ASCENDER.
- Click ADD.

JavaScript (Enabled by Default)

JavaScript must be enabled for the ASCENDER website for proper operation of ASCENDER. JavaScript is enabled by default in the most current version of Chrome. To make sure it is enabled follow these instructions.

- Click Site Settings
- Click JavaScript.
- If **Allowed (recommended)** is NOT selected, go to the next step (or select **Allowed (recommended)**).
 - Next to **Allow**, click **ADD**.
 - In the **Site** field on the Add a site dialog box, type the exact website address that you use to access ASCENDER.
 - Click ADD.

Autofill

NOT SURE THAT THIS IS AN ISSUE ANYMORE.

Disable AutoFill

AutoFill may cause some fields within ASCENDER applications to fill automatically. The options are located under **Autofill**.

- Click Addresses and more.
- Deselect **On** (the field changes to **Off**).

Mozilla Firefox

From the Firefox menu, select Options. The Options dialog box is displayed with the General tab as the default tab.

Privacy & Security

Accept Cookies

- Under Cookies and Site Data, click Manage Exceptions.
- The Exceptions Cookies and Site Data pop-up window is displayed
- In the Address of website field, type the exact website address that you use to access ASCENDER.
- Click Save Changes.

Clear Cookies and Site Data When Firefox Closes

Under Cookies and Site Data, click Delete cookies and site data when Firefox is closed.
==Clear History When Firefox Closes== * Under History, in the Firefox will drop-down field, select Never remember history.

Note: Firefox will need to be restarted at this point.

===Enable Pop-up Windows=== ASCENDER uses pop-up windows to display reports and other information. The ASCENDER website must be set up as an allowed site. * Select Block pop-up windows, if it isn't already selected (if you don't want to block any pop-up windows, deselect this and move on to Enable JavaScript below. * Next to Block pop-up windows, click Exceptions. The Allowed Websites - Pop-ups pop-up window is displayed. * In the Address of website field, type the exact website address that you use to access ASCENDER. * Click Save Changes. Note: The following three configurations use the address bar. In the address bar, delete any existing website address and type "about:config" and press ENTER. A warning message is displayed (deselect Warn me when I attempt to access these preferences if you don't want to see this warning every time). Click Accept the Risk and Continue. The Mozilla Firefox preferences are displayed.

==Enable JavaScript (Enabled by Default)== JavaScript must be enabled for the ASCENDER website for proper operation of ASCENDER. JavaScript is enabled by default in the most current version of Firefox. To make sure it is enabled follow these instructions. * In the Search field, type "javascript.enabled". As you type a list of matches is displayed. * The Value column should be true. If it is not, click the toggle button on the right to change it to true. ==Refresh Page on Every Page Reguest== * In the Search field, type "browser.cache.check doc frequency". As you type a list of matches is displayed. The default value for this setting is 3. * Double-click the setting in the list or click the pencil. * Change the value to 1. * Click OK. * Confirm the browser.cache.check doc frequency value changed from 3 to 1 in the Value column. ==Prevent Timeouts== * In the Search field, type "network.http.response.timeout". As you type a list of matches is displayed. The default value for this setting is 300. * Double-click the setting in the list or click the pencil. * Replace the existing value with 3600 (or greater). Note that this is the number of seconds. 3600 seconds equals one hour. * Click OK. * Confirm the network.http.response.timeout value changed accordingly in the Value column. ===Restart Firefox=== You may need to restart Firefox for some of these changes to take effect. —- ====Safari (for Mac)==== From the menu bar, select Safari, and then select Preferences. Note: All of the settings are performed in the Preferences dialog box. ===Enable Cookies=== Cookies are enabled by default in Safari. To make sure they are enabled follow these **instructions.** ^ **Privacy.**^ |□|**Next to** Cookies and website data, **select** Allow from websites I visit. ===Enable Pop-up Windows=== ASCENDER uses pop-up windows to display reports and other information. By default, Safari blocks pop-up windows. The pop-up blocker must be disabled for the ASCENDER website for proper operation of **ASCENDER.** ^ ^Security^ |□|Next to Web content, ensure that Block Pop-Up Windows is not selected. ===Enable JavaScript (Enabled by Default)=== JavaScript must be enabled for the ASCENDER website for proper operation of ASCENDER. JavaScript is enabled by default in Safari. To make sure it is enabled follow these instructions. ^ ^Security^ |□|Next to Web content, ensure that Enable JavaScript is selected.| ===Disable AutoFill=== AutoFill may cause some fields within ASCENDER **applications to fill automatically. ^ ^AutoFill^** |□|Next to AutoFill web forms**, clear all four check boxes.