

## Thunderbird Setup for downloading Hotmail Email for free

As you know to download email from hotmail into your local email client (thunderbird or MSOUTLOOK) you require Hotmail Plus – a paid service from hotmail – rubbish. There is a free way around this, this guide shows you how its done.

### Install Thunderbird

Download thunderbird from mozilla website and follow installation instructions

<http://www.mozilla.com/en-US/thunderbird/>

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### Install FreePOPs

<http://www.freepops.org/en/>

FreePOPS is a program which allows you to access webmail from hotmail gmail yahoo through the POP3 protocol.

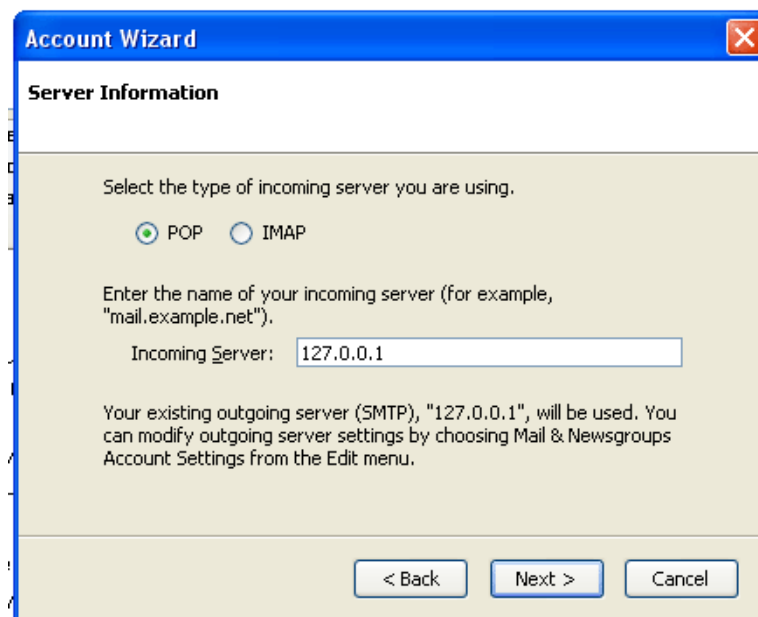
Follow the installation procedures of FreePOPS and ensure it is running in the background (icon should be on your system tray)

### Configure Thunderbird

From the **File** menu choose **New** and then **Account** then specify the type as **Email account** and click **Next**.

For the **Your Name** field type your name as in "Ananth Anandha". For the **Email Address** field, type your Hotmail e-mail address as in "AnanthAnandha@hotmail.com". Click **Next**.

Specify the service type as **POP**. For the **Incoming Server** type "127.0.0.1" (localhost). If you are prompted for the **Outgoing Server**, type "127.0.0.1" again. Click **Next**:



For the **User Name** field type your full Hotmail e-mail address **again**, as in "AnanthAnandha@hotmail.com". Click **Next**:

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Account Wizard" with a close button in the top right corner. The main heading is "User Names". Below this, there is instructional text: "Enter the incoming user name given to you by your email provider (for example, 'jsmith')." followed by a text input field labeled "Incoming User Name:" containing the text "AnanthAnandha@hotmail.com". Below that is another instruction: "Enter the outgoing user name given to you by your email provider (this is typically the same as your incoming user name)." followed by a text input field labeled "Outgoing User Name:" containing the text "127.0.0.1". At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

Notice carefully. You have to put your whole email address here with the part after @ sign. Because FreePOPs will understand which service you are trying to access with the part after the @ sign. So if you are a hotmail user, then you have to put yourloginname@hotmail.com or if you are using Yahoo! then you have to type yourloginname@yahoo.com. Click *Next*.

For the **Account Name** field type an account name such as "Whatever you want". Click **Next**.

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Account Wizard" with a close button in the top right corner. The main heading is "Account Name". Below this, there is instructional text: "Enter the name by which you would like to refer to this account (for example, 'Work Account', 'Home Account' or 'News Account')." followed by a text input field labeled "Account Name:" containing the text "My Account". At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

In the mean time a window may appear asking you for SMTP server details. FreePOPs doesn't have any SMTP facility, so you have to use your ISP's SMTP server. If a window appears asking for your SMTP server name, then put your ISP's SMTP server name in that field.

Finally a window like the one below will appear showing all the information about your account.



Now go to your *Account Settings* window and select the *Server Settings* panel from your account as below.

