

Chapter 4 - The Internet and Telecommunications

Software and Hardware for the Internet

Browsers

To access the Internet and to use the various Internet components - a specific type of software is required.- commonly called a "browser." These different software packages are generally provided from an ISP. However, software developers have begun to integrate these different Internet functions into one-software package for users. Available browsers include:

- [Internet Explorer](#)
- [Mozilla Firefox](#)
- [Safari](#)
- [Opera](#)
- [Google Chrome](#)

Below are different Internet functions that may be supported by different browsers:

Internet	Function	Purpose
Browser	View	WWW Pages
E-mail	Send	and receive e-mail
Newsgroup	read	messages from newsgroups
Discussion	workgroups	Discussion areas
Meeting	Schedule	meetings with others
Calendar	Calendar	
Meetings	Voice	communication, use whiteboard to draw on, send files to live
Video	Video	format
WWW	page Edit	editor WWW pages for publication
On-line	Shopping	shipping addresses, credit card numbers for on-line shopping
Push	Technology	information to the web user
Multimedia	Client	receives streaming multimedia data