

Appendix D: Required Computer Specifications

PC Users

- Windows Media Player (available for free), version 6.4 or higher.

Please note: Windows Media Player 7 or higher does NOT install on Windows 95 or Windows NT 4 operating systems. WMP 7 is pre-installed with Windows ME and Windows 2000. Also, Windows XP does not support WMP versions earlier than 8.0 (which is installed by default in Windows XP.)

- QuickTime Player (available for free).

To use QuickTime, PC users will also need:

- Pentium or compatible PC
- 64 MB RAM
- Windows 98 or higher (Windows 95 configurations are no longer officially supported for QuickTime streaming.)
- 16-bit color display or higher
- DirectX (available for free). Version 3.0 or higher.
- Sound Blaster or compatible sound card and speakers or headphones.
- ISDN or faster Internet connection

Mac Users

QuickTime Player (available for free), version 5.0.2 or higher.

To use QuickTime, Mac users will also need:

- PowerPC processor-based Macintosh computer
- 64 MB RAM
- Mac OS 8.6 or later, or Mac OS X v10.1.3 or later
- Sound card and speakers or headphones
- Monitor color depth of thousands of colors (millions of colors recommended)
- ISDN or faster Internet connection

Please note: Mac OSX is no longer supported for Windows Media streaming.

All users will also need:

- A supported web browser, i.e. Internet Explorer 5.5 (Service Pack 2) or higher (preferred), Netscape Communicator 4.51 – 4.8 (when using WMP) or Netscape 4.51 or higher when using QuickTime.
- Adobe's Acrobat Reader (available for free). Version 5 or higher.
- The most recent version of Direct X.

Additionally, you must enable both session-only cookies and active scripting.