

Common web abbreviations... What do they mean?

- **ASP**

Short for Active Server Pages that is used for creating dynamic content of a web page. Technically said it is a server side scripting language. It is mostly used on Windows platforms.

- **DNS**

The Domain Name System which identifies each computer as a network point on the Internet using an internet protocol address systems to translate from domain name to IP and reverse.

- **FTP**

FTP stands for File Transfer Protocol which is one of the methods of transferring files over the Internet.

- **GIF**

GIF stands for graphics interchange format, it is a bit-mapped graphics file format used by the World Wide Web. GIF supports colour and various resolutions. But it is limited to 256 colors.

- **HTML**

Stands for Hypertext Markup Language, the authoring and editing language used to create web pages on the World Wide Web.

- **IP Address**

An IP (Internet Protocol) address is a unique identifier for a point or host connection on an IP network. An IP address is a 32 bit binary number usually represented as 4 decimal values, each representing 8 bits, in the range 0 to 255 (known as octets) separated by decimal points. It is just a number like 66.46.105.9

- **JPEG (JPG)**

Stands for Joint Photographic Experts Group- JPEG uses compression technique for color images and therefore some details are lost in the compression yet giving relatively good quality. It is widely used on the Internet and other digital applications.

- **MP3**

MP3 is the file extension for MPEG, audio layer 3. Layer 3 is one of three coding schemes (layer 1, layer 2 and layer 3) for the compression of audio signals. MP3 files could be embedded into web site providing music while visitors are viewing the site. MP3 files are relatively small comparing to other audio files and therefore are quite suitable for transferring over the Internet.

- **PHP**

PHP Hypertext Pre-processor is a server-side; HTML embedded scripting language used to create dynamic Web pages. Designed for Windows and UNIX type platforms...

- **URL**

It stands for Uniform Resource Locator, which is a string that supplies the Internet address of a resource on the World Wide Web, along with the protocol by which the resource is accessed. The most common URL type is "http," which gives the Internet address of a World Wide Web page. Some other URL types are gopher and ftp.