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## *POP3 Fetch Benefits using Open WebMail*

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**This document highlights the benefits using the POP3 (POP) Fetch feature in Open WebMail.**

Message Operation options set the preferences for performing actions on messages (such as Move or Copy). Using the POP3 (POP) Fetch feature, any new email messages that may have been sent to you while you were logged out will be transferred off of the Open WebMail server during login to your preferred email client, such as, Outlook, Outlook Express, Eudora or Netscape Mail.

### **BENEFITS OF POP3 (POP) FETCH**

POP3 (POP) and IMAP are the two methods of accessing your email using an email client. The chart below details the advantages and disadvantages of using either. You must choose one or the other for your email client (Outlook, Outlook Express, Eudora or Netscape Mail).

POP	IMAP
Messages are downloaded to your computer.	Keeps your messages on the Open WebMail server.
It's not necessary to stay connected while reading messages.	Must stay connected to the Open WebMail server while reading/sending messages.
Since messages are stored on your computer, they do not count against your quota.	Since messages are stored on the Open WebMail server, they count against your quota.
You cannot read mail from any folder in your account other than your Inbox folder.	You can read and manipulate mail in any folders in your account.
You can manipulate messages and folders on your computer at any time (even when disconnected). However, those folders are not available elsewhere.	Messages can be arranged in folders on the Open WebMail server, which are then available from any location.
Once messages are downloaded to your computer, they are not longer accessible from other locations or Open WebMail.	Since messages are stored on the Open WebMail server, they are still accessible through other IMAP mail clients or Open WebMail.

## **POP3 (POP) FETCH SETTINGS**

The settings for using POP3 (POP) Fetch for Open WebMail can be found on The ASC Help Desk's website at <http://www.umaryland.edu/helpdesk/help/docs/> under the **E-mail Client Configurations** section.

Once you have set up your connection, you should be able to connect to your account immediately. You will be prompted for your password.

## **QUESTIONS?**

If you require further assistance using the POP3 (POP) Fetch feature or settings in Open WebMail, please contact the ASC Help Desk at 410-706-HELP (weekdays, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) or send e-mail to [help@umaryland.edu](mailto:help@umaryland.edu)