

Creating a CompuServe Dial-Up Networking Connection for Microsoft Windows 2000

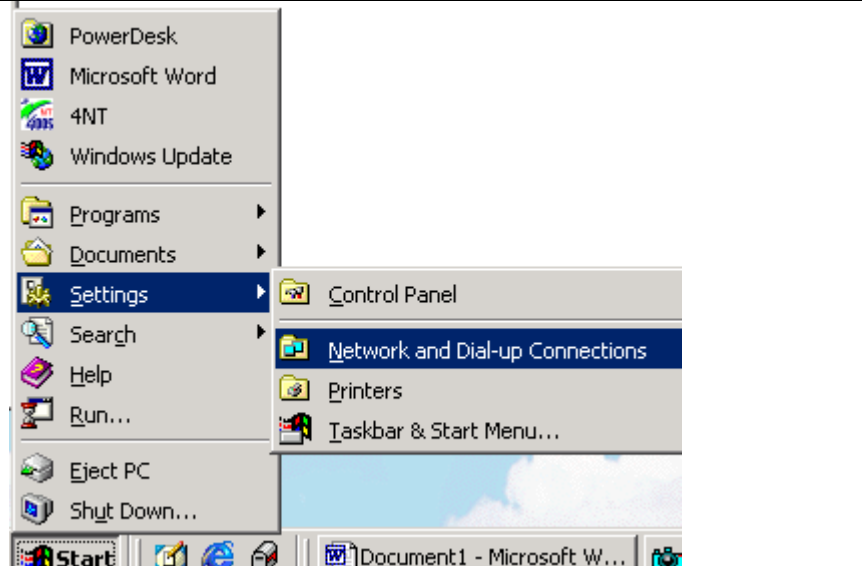
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Whether you use CompuServe software or connect directly from your browser or mail program, you must first establish a dial-up networking connection within Windows 2000. This document will walk you through those steps.

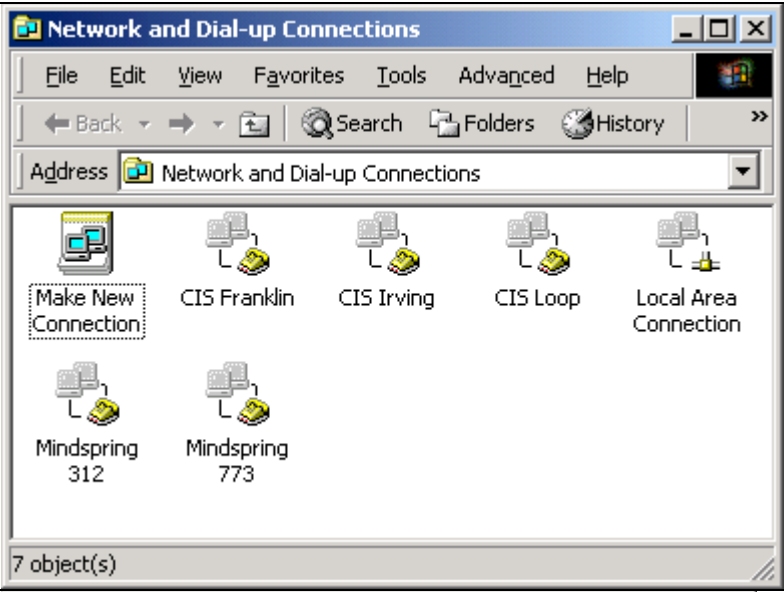
If you have a cable modem or DSL service, this document is not for you. It is only for those who need to dial out through a modem to access CompuServe.

These procedures apply only to “classic” CompuServe accounts. A classic CompuServe account begins with a number (e.g., 76003,1407). Members of CompuServe 2000 must connect through their CompuServe 2000 software. These instructions will not work for members of CompuServe 2000.

If you need help using Windows 2000, please visit the Windows NT Forum. GO WINNT or <http://go.compuserve.com/windowsNT>.

<p>Dial-Up Connections are controlled from the “Network and Dial-up Connections” application.</p> <p>Click START, then SETTINGS, then Network and Dial-up Connections.</p>	 <p>The screenshot shows the Windows 2000 Start menu. The 'Settings' option is selected, and its sub-menu is open, showing 'Network and Dial-up Connections' as the selected item. Other visible items in the Start menu include PowerDesk, Microsoft Word, 4NT, Windows Update, Programs, Documents, Search, Help, Run..., Eject PC, and Shut Down... The taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several icons, and an open Microsoft Word document titled 'Document1 - Microsoft W...'</p>
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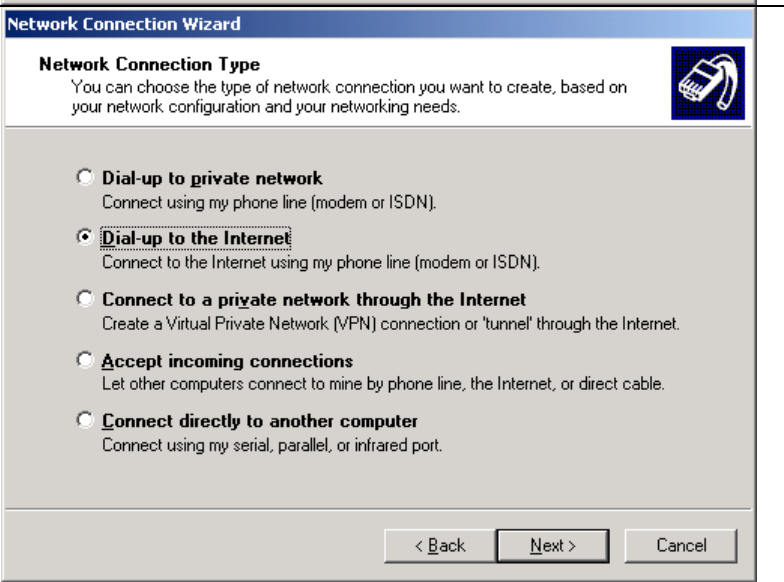
Click “Make New Connection” to set up a new CompuServe connection.

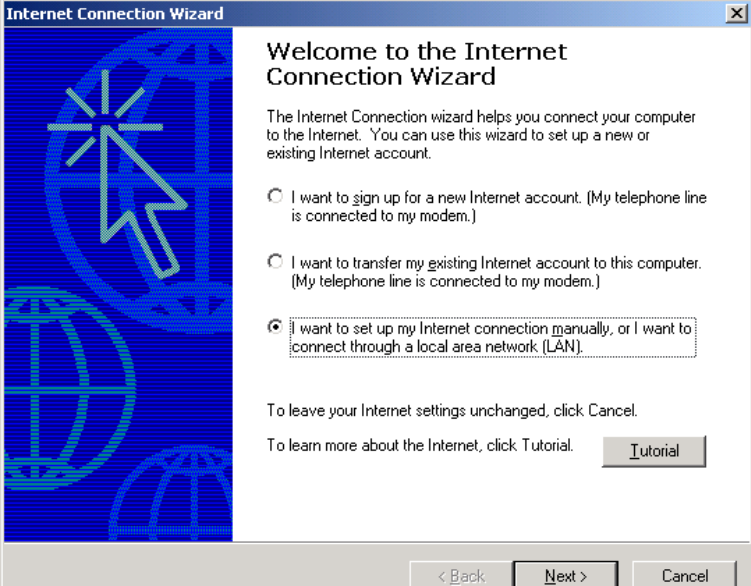
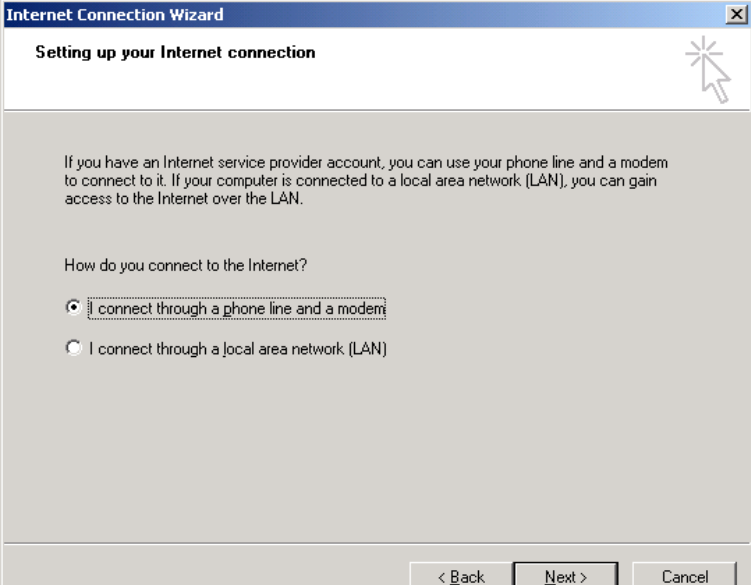
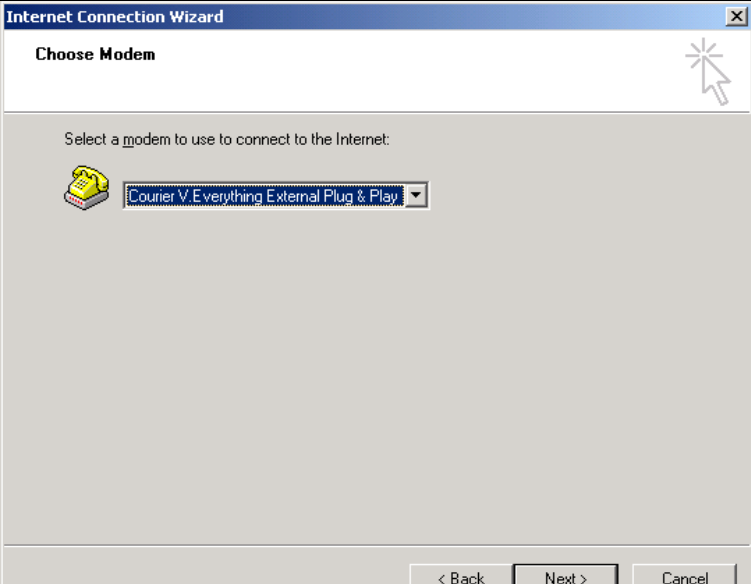


Not much to do here but click “Next”.

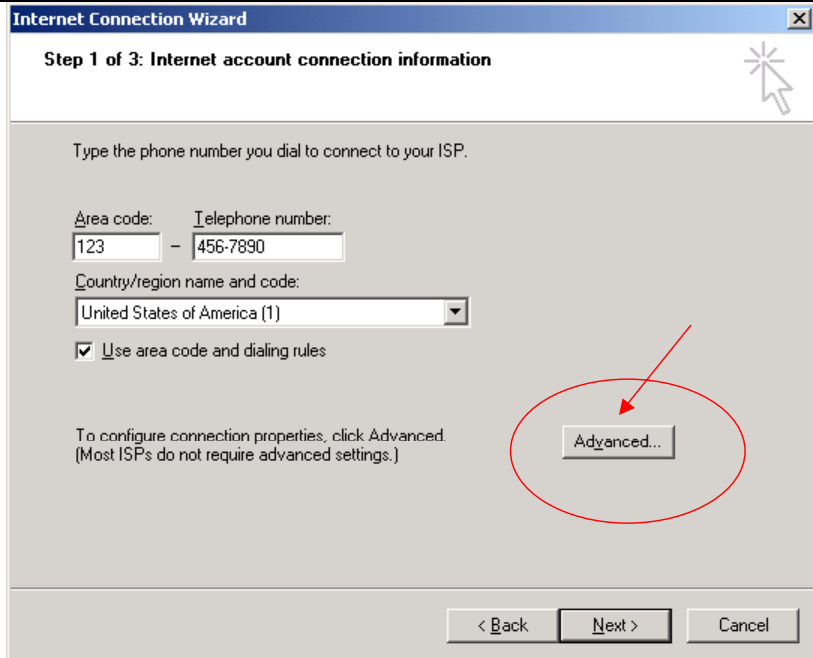


Select “Dial-up to the Internet” and click Next.



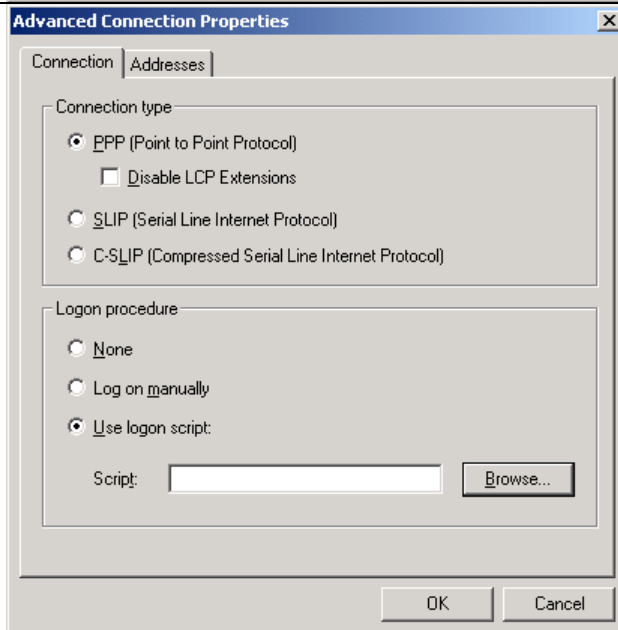
<p>Select “I want to set up my Internet connection manually...” and click NEXT.</p>	
<p>Select “I connect through a phone line and a modem”.</p> <p>Click NEXT.</p> <p>If you have a cable modem or DSL service, this document is not for you.</p>	
<p>Select your modem from the list and click NEXT.</p>	

Enter the phone number but DO NOT click NEXT. Instead, click ADVANCED.

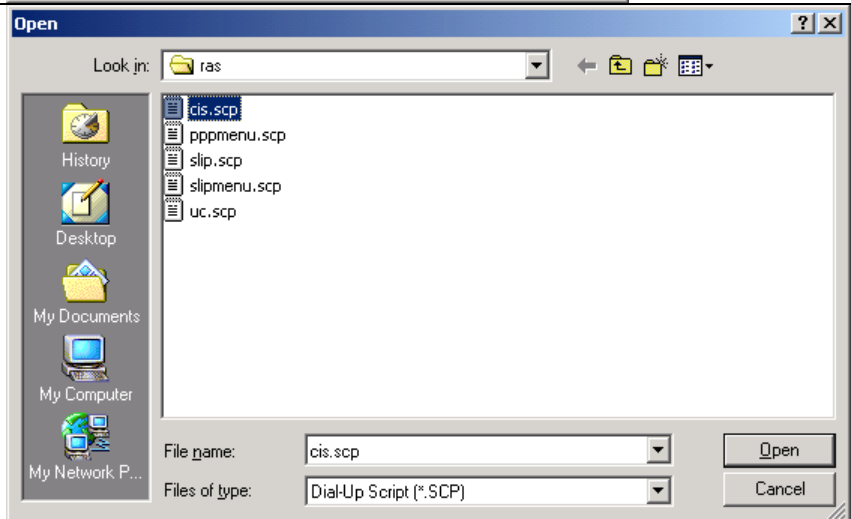


Select "Use Login Script".

Click BROWSE to open the list of scripts.



Select CIS.SCP and click OPEN.



Click OK to close the dialog, then click NEXT.

The screenshot shows the 'Internet Connection Wizard' window at Step 1 of 3: 'Internet account connection information'. The window title bar includes the text 'Internet Connection Wizard' and a close button. The main content area contains the following elements: a title bar with 'Step 1 of 3: Internet account connection information' and a help icon; a text prompt: 'Type the phone number you dial to connect to your ISP.'; two input fields: 'Area code:' with the value '123' and 'Telephone number:' with the value '456-7890'; a dropdown menu for 'Country/region name and code:' set to 'United States of America (1)'; a checked checkbox labeled 'Use area code and dialing rules'; a text prompt: 'To configure connection properties, click Advanced. (Most ISPs do not require advanced settings.)' with an 'Advanced...' button; and a footer with '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel' buttons.

Enter your account logon information.

Enter your CompuServe User ID, not your personal address.

Do not fill in the password field. Microsoft claims that its security model is violated if passwords are returned to scripts. If you save the password, Win2K will send "*****" to the script when you attempt to login.

You have to enter the password each time you connect.

Click NEXT.

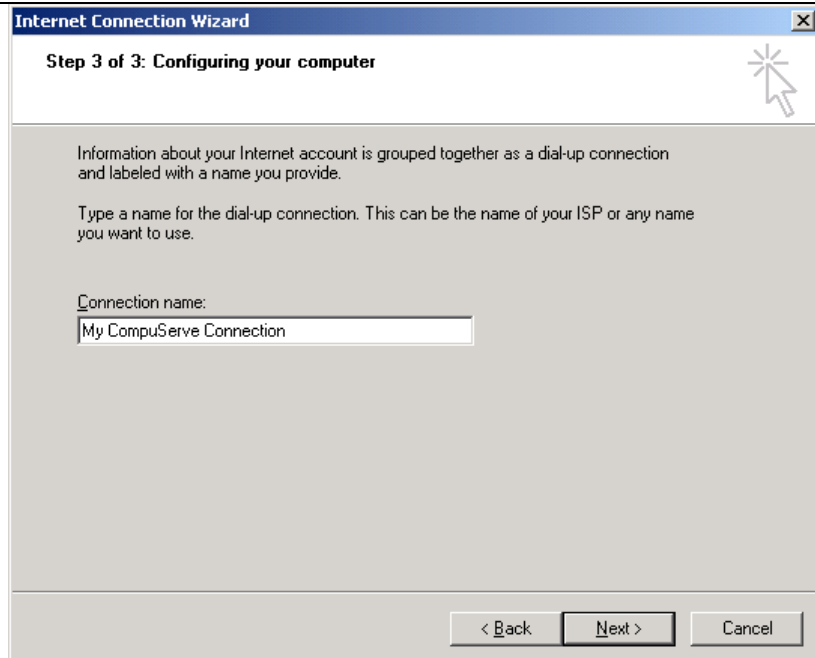
The screenshot shows the 'Internet Connection Wizard' window at Step 2 of 3: 'Internet account logon information'. The window title bar includes the text 'Internet Connection Wizard' and a close button. The main content area contains the following elements: a title bar with 'Step 2 of 3: Internet account logon information' and a help icon; a text prompt: 'Type the user name and password you use to log on to your ISP. Your user name may also be referred to as your Member ID or User ID. If you do not know this information, contact your ISP.'; two input fields: 'User name:' with the value '760031407' and 'Password:' which is empty; and a footer with '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel' buttons.

Yes, you're sure.

The screenshot shows a warning dialog box from the 'Internet Connection Wizard'. The title bar includes the text 'Internet Connection Wizard' and a close button. The main content area contains the following elements: a yellow warning triangle icon; a text prompt: 'You may not be able to connect to your Internet service provider without your password. Are you sure you want to continue with a blank password?'; and two buttons: 'Yes' and 'No'.

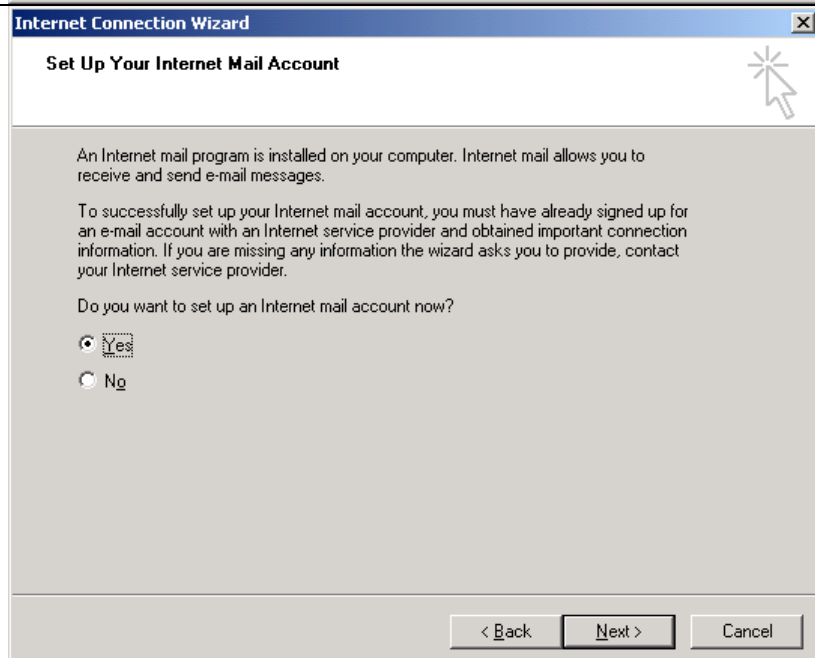
Provide a convenient name for this connection.

Click NEXT.

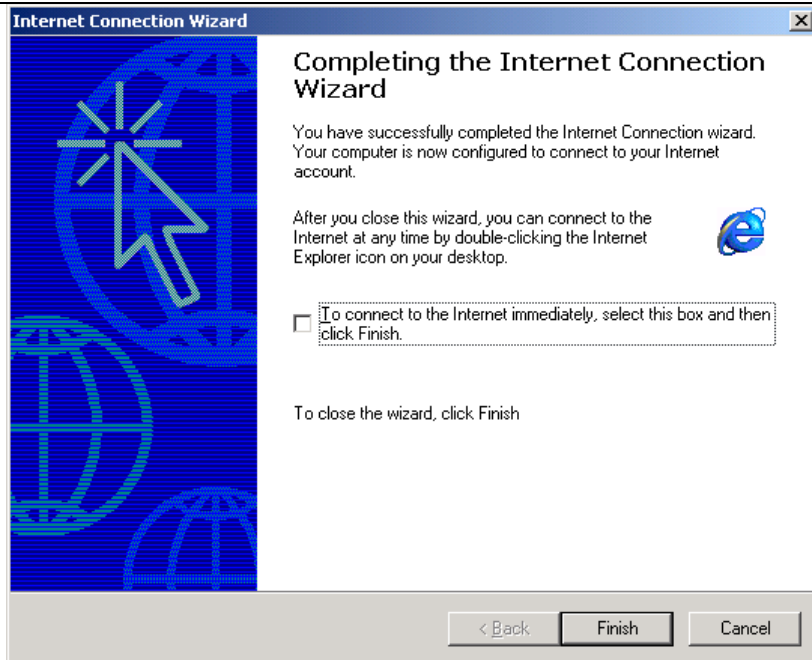


No, do not set up a mail account at this time.

Click NEXT.

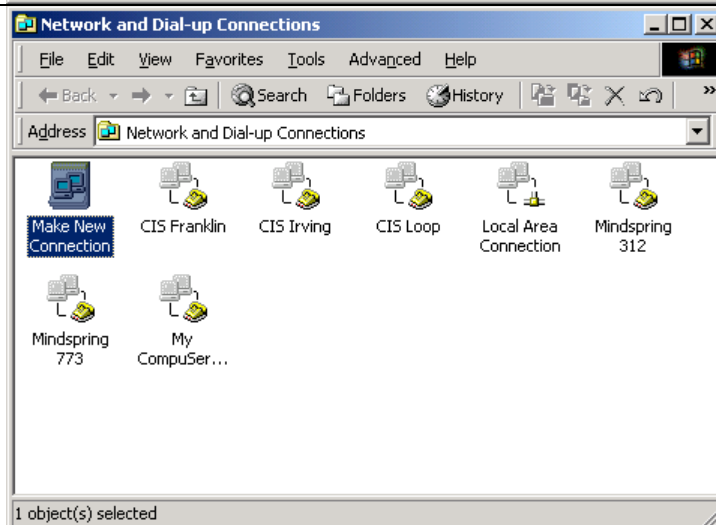


Uncheck “Connect Immediately” and click FINISH.



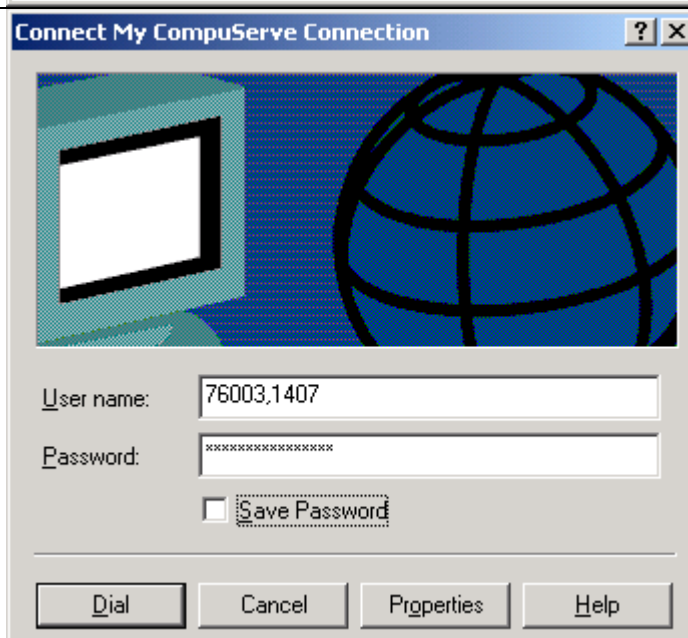
The new connection has been added to your list of Internet connections.

When you want to connect or edit its properties, just double click this entry.



This shows what it looks like when you double click to dial.

Again, note that due to a “feature” in Windows 2000, you must NOT select “save password”.



The following script can be used to replace the standard CIS.SCP file. It's a bit faster logging in.

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; CompuServe login script for Windows NT and Windows 2000.
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proc main
    set port databits 7
    set port parity even
    transmit "^M"
    waitfor "Host Name:"
    transmit "CIS^M"
    waitfor "User ID:"
    transmit $USERID, raw
    transmit "/noint/ppp:cisppp"
    transmit "\\\"
    transmit $PASSWORD, raw
    transmit "^M"
    delay 1
    set port databits 8
    set port parity none
endproc
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This section shows every dialog related to a complete Dial Up Networking setup. If your system is not dialing correctly, please check your settings against those documented here.

