



## How To Configure A Desktop Mail Client To Access MS Hotmail

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Microsoft has finally enabled POP3 email access for all users of their Hotmail email service.

This essentially means that it is now possible to configure desktop email clients to access Hotmail to retrieve and send emails using the email provider. We already mentioned how to configure Hotmail POP3 but in a slightly different context as the article back then concentrated on providing information on how to enable POP3 access for all countries.

Here is the information that has to be entered into the desktop email software so that Hotmail can be accessed:

- Incoming Server: pop3.live.com
- Incoming Port: 995
- SSL Encryption: yes
- Outgoing Server: smtp.live.com
- Outgoing port: 25 (or port 587 if 25 is not working)
- Authentication: yes
- TLS Or SSL: yes

Please note that the names might differ, depending on the desktop email client in use. The values on the other hand do not change. The username (usually the Windows Live Hotmail email address) and password are the same that are used when logging into the Hotmail website using a web browser.