



Setting Up Your Earthcomber Account

An Earthcomber account gives you access to the Earthcomber website, where you can select favorites you want to comb for, build your own Look Lists, and select maps that you want to use.

Setting up an account is quick and painless. Follow these steps:

1. Use your browser to go to www.earthcomber.com
2. Follow the instructions to sign up.

Note: The user ID and password you select are case-sensitive. For example, if your user ID is *JohnSmith*, you will not be able to sign back on to Earthcomber as *johnsmith*. Only *JohnSmith* will work.

During the sign-up process, you provide Earthcomber with some basic information about yourself, including your e-mail account. A valid e-mail account is necessary so that we can send you an account activation notice.

3. Open the e-mail sent to you and click the link in it to activate your account. You can then immediately sign on to Earthcomber.
4. See page 3 for more information about how to use the website.



Earthcomber Privacy Policy

Earthcomber was created, and operates, on the principle that technology should truly serve the people using it. Earthcombers are not a commodity to be targeted, but a community that provides people and the places they seek with the highest quality interactions. This becomes all the more important as markets seek ways to reach the individual, and individuals increasingly carry personal information on their mobile devices.

Earthcomber does not sell nor rent personally identifiable data to third parties. Earthcomber does not "share" your personal identification or individual tastes and choices. The value that you get from Earthcomber is the same it gets from you: Confidence. We hope you will gradually let Earthcomber be your guide, so that, with others like you who enjoy a spam-free network, you will see this community grow, and with it, find more of what you're looking for.



Working with Favorites, Look Lists, and Maps on the Earthcomber Website

After you set up your account, you can use the Earthcomber website to pick your favorites, create or modify Look Lists, and select the maps you need.

Favorites can be anything of interest ... from *ATM* to *Pakistani Restaurant* to *Classic Mercedes Car*, and tens of thousands of things in between. **Look Lists** are collections of favorites. You can create multiple Look Lists to fit different needs – business travel, touring, bopping around town, whatever! When you use Earthcomber on your Palm, you can quickly switch from one list to another to give you a different “view” of your surroundings.

First-time Setup

First time set-up should include:

1. Selecting your favorites and saving them in Look Lists. See page 5 for details.
2. Selecting the maps you need. See page 15.
3. Downloading and installing the Earthcomber Windows application, which controls updates to your Palm. See page 16 for more information about installing and using this application.

Linux or Macintosh Note: You do not need to install any software on your PC. Instead, use the **Download** page of the Earthcomber website to access your Earthcomber files for downloading. After downloading the files, move them to your Palm as you normally do.

Ongoing Use of the Website

Come back to the website at any time to find new favorites, change Look Lists, or select new maps.



Signing In to Earthcomber

1. Use your browser to go to www.earthcomber.com
2. On the main Earthcomber screen, select **Sign In**.
3. On the sign-in screen, enter your ID and password. Remember that you must type the ID and password exactly as you created them, including the same capitalization.

Already an Earthcomber?
Please sign in to begin Earthcombing again!

Earthcomber ID:
[forgot your ID?](#)

Your Password:
[forgot your Password?](#)

[sign in](#)

4. Press the **sign in** button.

You should see the Earthcomber **Dashboard** screen, where you can select major Earthcomber features. If your business has an Earthcomber listing, you can also switch from your Earthcomber account to your Proprietor account.

If you have a Proprietor account in addition to your Earthcomber account, you can switch roles here. You can also sign off from Earthcomber.

Takes you to Earthcomber Community, where you can share places with other people

You are currently on the **Dashboard** page.

Use the options here to navigate to other key page of the Earthcomber website.

These are the three major steps needed to begin Earthcombing.



Selecting Favorites and Saving them in Look Lists

You can create multiple Look Lists to fit different needs – business travel, touring, food, whatever! You can also mix and match different interests in the same Lists. It's all up to you.

Pre-built Look Lists Available

Earthcomber can help you locate over 1.2 million places in the United States, and more places are added every day – by our publishing team, by other content publishers, and by businesses who list their products and services on Earthcomber. Earthcomber can help you locate nearly 10,000 businesses across the United States, including restaurants, bars, hotels, coffee shops, taxi companies, WiFi spots, special attractions, and more. Earthcomber can also help you find many types of public facilities, landmarks, museums, galleries, and natural features.

A number of sample, pre-built Look Lists are available to you when you sign up for Earthcomber. The table below shows just a taste of the type of places you can find, and the name of the sample Look List you can use.

Category	Types of Places/Favorites		Sample Look List
Business Travel	Airports Business printers Cigar bars Dry cleaners Hotels Office supplies Restaurants Subway stations WiFi sites	ATMs Car rentals Convention centers Golf courses Lounges Post offices Shopping centers/malls Taxis	BizTravel
Emergency	ATMs Hospitals	Fire stations Police station	Emergencies
Food	ATMs Bakeries	Ice cream shops Restaurants	Let's Eat!



Category	Types of Places		Sample Look List
History	Colonial landmarks Monuments	Historical museums Memorials	Historic
	<i>Also covers numerous types of historic sites, including:</i>		
	Airports	Battlefields	
	Bridges	Buildings	
	Canals	Churches	
	Colonial landmarks	Forts	
	Historic marker	Iron Works	
	Kilns	Mills	
	Petroglyphs	Pony Express stations	
	Post offices	Roadways	
	Ruins	Schools	
	Springs	Towns & districts	
	Trails		
National Register of Historic Places	All properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places.		National Register
Natural Features	Arches Cliffs Forests Glaciers Mountain ranges Lakes Reservoirs Springs Swamps	Beaches Craters Geysers Lava deposits Islands Rapids Waterfalls Summits Woods	Natural Features
Nightlife	Bars Dance clubs Lounges	Cigar bars Karaoke Music clubs	Let's Party!
Outdoor Recreation	Battlefields Campgrounds Gardens Mountain biking Parks (state-national) Ruins Trails Wildlife areas	Beaches Fishing sites Horseback riding Mountain climbing Picnic areas Scenic overlooks Trail heads Wildlife parks	Outdoors



Category	Types of Places		Sample Look List
Public facilities	City halls Libraries Post offices Senior centers	Courthouses Nursing homes Schools Shopping centers/malls	Public Places
Religion and spirituality	Churches and worship centers (various denominations)		Spiritual
Tourist-related	Art museums Hotels Memorials Sculpture Subway stations Visitor Centers	Gardens Monuments Museums Shopping centers/malls Taxis	Touring
Transportation	Airports Train stations	Subway stations Taxis	Transport

Considerations for Creating Look Lists

- Don't let your Look Lists get too large. It will be tempting to crowd all of your favorite things into a single list, but this could slow the searching process on your Palm. Remember that Earthcomber will search for *all* of your favorite things, not just one of them. So if you have 50 favorites saved in the same Look List, and you are searching across a wide distance, the search will take some time. Note that while you are using the Palm, you can quickly switch from one Look List to another, so it makes sense to split up your favorites into multiple lists.
- Keep the names of your Look Lists as short as possible. Shorter names (15 characters or fewer) will be easier for you to work with on the Palm.



Initial Steps for Selecting Favorites

On the Earthcomber website, follow these steps to begin selecting favorites:

1. Sign in to Earthcomber (see page 4).
2. On the **Dashboard** screen, choose **Select Favorites**.

You should see the **Favorites** screen:

If you are new to Earthcomber, you can use our Favorites Wizard to build your first, basic Look List.

You can use three methods to select favorites and build your Look Lists.

Many Look Lists are provided with Earthcomber. You can use these lists immediately, or you can modify or delete them if desired.

You can choose from the following methods to select favorites and save them in Look Lists:

- **Search Method** – You can search directly for favorites. You can then choose which Look Lists to save them in. See page 12.
- **Browse Method** – You can browse various categories of favorites and find the favorites you want. You can then choose which Look Lists to save them in. See page 10.



- **Step by Step Method** – Earthcomber can walk you through the process of selecting favorites for your first Look List. See page 9.

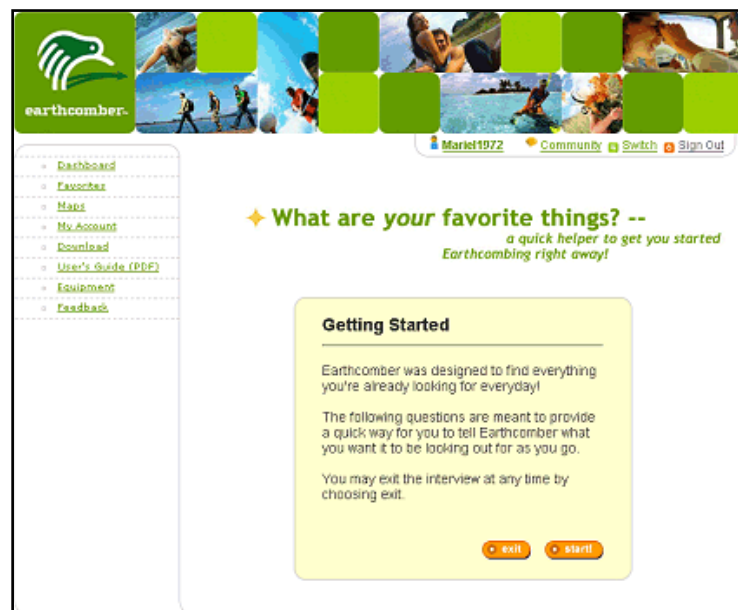
You can also select a Look List that already exists, and then add favorites to it. See page 13.

Step-by-Step Method of Selecting Favorites

Earthcomber can walk you through the process of selecting favorites for your first Look List. This is a good way to get started with Earthcomber.

1. On the **Favorites** screen, select **Favorites Wizard**

You should see this screen:



2. On the following screens, Earthcomber asks you a series of questions. Based on your responses, Earthcomber selects one or more favorites for you.
3. After you complete the questions, Earthcomber saves your favorites in a series of Look Lists. You can now add other favorites to these lists or remove favorites from them. See page 13 for more information about changing your Look Lists.



Browsing for Favorites

You can browse various categories of favorites and find the favorites you want. You can then choose which Look Lists to save them in. This is a good way to learn more about the wide range of favorites you can select.

1. On the **Favorites** screen, in the **Browse** window, click on any category.

Earthcomber opens the category and shows you the contents of that category. Additional subcategories are shown on the left. Any favorites available for selection are shown on the right.

You can search for favorites or specific locations at any time.

This is the trail of categories you have drilled into. You can click on any highlighted category to go back up.

You can continue to drill down into subcategories.

When you see a favorite that you want to select, check its box and click **add to looklist**

2. Drill down through the subcategories until you see the favorite you want to select. You can also use the “trail” of categories to move back up to a previous category
3. Click the box next to the favorite.



4. Press **add to looklist**

Earthcomber asks you how far you want it to search for the favorite, and which Look Lists(s) you want to save the favorite it.

This is the favorite you selected.

Tell Earthcomber how far you want to look. You can change this value when you are using Earthcomber on your Palm.

Select the Look Lists you want to add this favorite to.

Press this button to save the favorite(s) to the Look Lists you selected.

You can create a new Look List here if necessary.

5. Pull down the mileage selector and select a different milage, if needed. Note: You will be able to change the mileage when you are using Earthcomber on your Palm.

6. Select the Look List(s) that you want to save the favorite in.

7. Press **save to look lists**

Earthcomber returns you to the **Favorites** screen. Repeat these steps to add favorites to your Look Lists.



Searching for Favorites

You can search directly for favorites. You can then choose which Look Lists to save the favorites in.

1. In any **Search** area, type the favorite you want to search for and press **Go**.
2. Earthcomber shows you all the matches.

Search:

Your search returned the following...

Favorites (4)

- Chinese Cuisine : Top>Eat & Drink>Restaurants>Cuisine>Chinese>
- Chinese Language : Top>Services>Education>Lessons>Language>Chinese>
- Chinese Medicine : Top>Services>Medical>Alternative Medicine>Chinese>
- Chinese Translation : Top>Services>Professional>Translator Service>Chinese>

Location Names (0)

Categories (5)

- Chinese** : Top>Eat & Drink>Restaurants>Cuisine>
- Chinese** : Top>Services>Medical>Alternative Medicine>
- Chinese** : Top>Services>Professional>Translator Service>
- Chinese** : Top>Sales & Shopping>Antiques & Fine Gifts>Antiquities>Asian>
- Chinese** : Top>Services>Education>Lessons>Language>

These favorites match your search. To select one, check its box and click **add to looklist**

Any locations that match your search are listed here. To select one, check its box and click **add to looklist**

Any categories that match your search are listed here. You can click on any highlighted category to drill into it.

3. Click the box next to each favorite or location you want to select.

Note: You can also drill into the highlighted categories as described on page 10.

4. Press **add to looklist**
5. Select the range of miles you want to search and the Look List(s) you want to save the favorite in. See page 11 for more information.



Changing Your Look Lists

After you create Look Lists, you may need to change them by adding or removing favorites, or changing the range of miles that are searched. Follow these steps:

1. On the **Favorites** screen, Earthcomber shows the lists you have created:



You can create a new list here.

To delete a list, select it and press **remove selected**

To change a list, click it

2. You can create a new list, delete a list, or change a list.
 - a. Create a list: Press **make new list** and then type a name for the list
 - b. Delete a list: Click the box next to the list and press **remove selected**
 - c. Change a list: Click the list name to display the screen shown on the following page

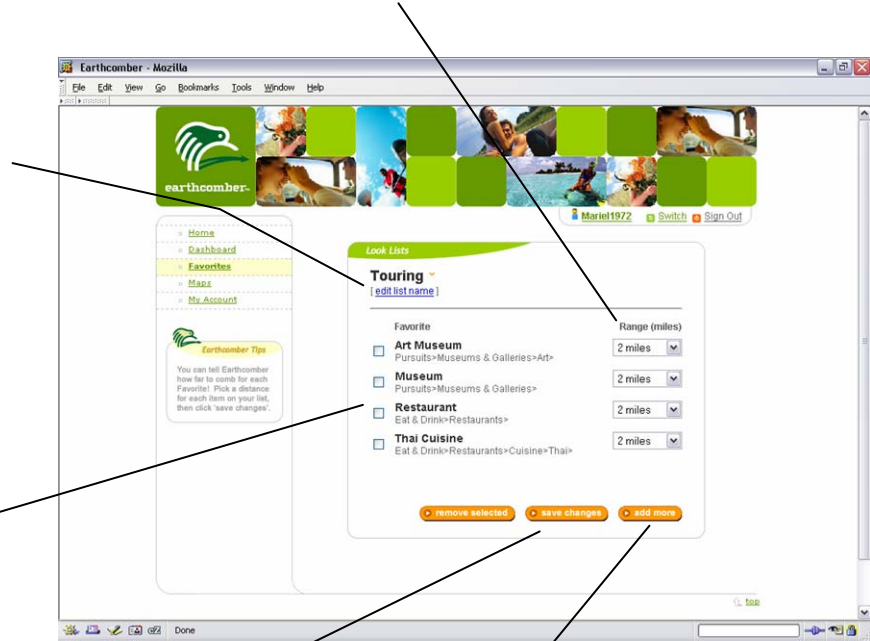


3. Use the **Look Lists** screen to make your changes.

You can change the range of miles that Earthcomber will search for the favorite.

Click here to change the name of the Look List

These are the favorites in the Look List. To delete one, select it and press **remove selected**



Press here when you have finished with your changes.

You can add a favorite here.

4. Press **save changes** when you have finished.



Selecting Maps You Need

Earthcomber provides you with free maps for every county in the United States. At any time, you can visit the Earthcomber website to select a new set of maps to be downloaded to your Palm.

Follow these steps:

1. Sign in to Earthcomber (see page 4).
2. On the **Dashboard** screen, choose **Get Maps**.

On the next screen, you can search for maps, or get a list of maps in a specific state. You can sort the list by city or county.

The following example shows Colorado maps that are listed by city name:

This is a city list. You can also list maps according to county name.

Press a different letter to jump to a different part of the alphabet.

Click **Add** to add a map to your download list.

This area shows maps that are ready for download.

City	County	Size	DL
Abbeville	Gunnison	1.1Mb	Add
Absecon	Las Animas	8Mb	Add
Abilene	Bent	2Mb	Add
Academy	El Paso	1.9Mb	Add
Acequia	Douglas	1.0Mb	Add
Ackerman	Logan	4Mb	Add
Adelaide	Fremont	6Mb	Add
Adelaide	Lake	2Mb	Add
Adena	Morgan	4Mb	Add
Adna	Weld	1.5Mb	Add
Agate	Elbert	4Mb	Add
Agua Ramon	Rio Grande	.3Mb	Add
Aguillar	Las Animas	8Mb	Add
Akin	Meeker	1.3Mb	Add
Akron	Washington	.3Mb	Add
Alamo	Huerfano	5Mb	Add
Alamo Placita	Denver	1.0Mb	Add

3. Select each map you need and then click **Add**



Synchronizing Your Palm

If you have a **Windows PC**, the *Earthcomber Windows application* controls all updates to Earthcomber on your Palm. It does this by checking your account on the Earthcomber website, then downloading any updated files to your PC. Once these updates are on your PC, you can use the normal HotSync process to move the updates to your Palm. In addition, the Windows application copies to the website any spots that you have marked on the Palm. See the illustration on in the **Introduction** chapter for more details.

If you **Linux or Macintosh PC**, you do not need to install any software on your PC. Instead, use the Download page of the Earthcomber website to access your Earthcomber files for downloading. After downloading the files, move them to your Palm as you normally do. Go directly to page 21 for details.

The following pages describe how to install the Earthcomber Windows application and how to use it to keep your Palm up to date.

Installing the Windows Application (Windows PC)

1. Go to the Earthcomber website (www.earthcomber.com) and follow the instructions there to download the Windows application to your PC.

Note: You will be asked whether to Save or Open the application. You should **Save** it to your PC. Remember where you saved it!

2. Using Windows, navigate to the location where you saved the application, then double-click on it.

Follow the instructions on your screen to install the application.



After the application has been installed, you should see the following screen.

3. Complete the following information:

In This Area	Enter This Information
Palm User Name	The name of the Palm user whose Earthcomber account will be managed on this PC. Note: You can manage the Earthcomber account for only one Palm user on the PC.
Earthcomber User Name	The user name you selected when you set up your Earthcomber account. Note: If you have not yet set up your account, do so now at www.earthcomber.com and then return to this screen.
Earthcomber User password	The password you selected when you set up your Earthcomber account.
Earthcomber User password confirm	The password again, for confirmation.

4. Press **OK** to continue.



You should see the following screen.



5. Press **Check for Update** to check whether any updates are pending for your Earthcomber account.

If an update is available, you will see the message "Update found."

6. Press **Download Update** to move any updates to your PC.
7. Use your Palm's HotSync software to synchronize your Palm as you normally would.

During this sync process, the Earthcomber updates are moved to your Palm. The screen you see should look like this:



For more information about HotSync, refer to the documentation that came with your Palm, or go to the Palm One website for support (www.palmone.com).

8. Go to page 24 to begin using Earthcomber on your Palm.



Checking for Updates and Copying Spots (Windows PC)

The Earthcomber Windows application normally springs into action once a week to check the Earthcomber website for any updates to the information on your Palm. At the same time, the application copies any spots that you have marked on the Palm and selected to be copied to the website.

If you have just used the Earthcomber website to modify your Look Lists or select new maps, or if you have just marked spots that you want to copy to the website, you can start the Windows application manually:

1. **If you want to copy spots from your Palm to the website, first synchronize your Palm using the Palm HotSync process.** This process backs up any spots that you marked, from the Palm to your PC.
2. Click the Earthcomber Windows icon, in the system tray of your desktop.

Double-click the Earthcomber icon in your Windows system tray



Note: If you cannot find the Earthcomber icon, you will need to start the application again. Use the Windows **Start** menu to list **All Programs**. In the list of programs, find the application and start it. The application normally installs under this name: **Earthcomber>Earthcomber Downloader**



You should see the following screen.



3. Use the **Check for Update** and **Download Update** buttons to move the updates to your PC.
4. Run the Palm HotSync process to move any updates to your Palm.

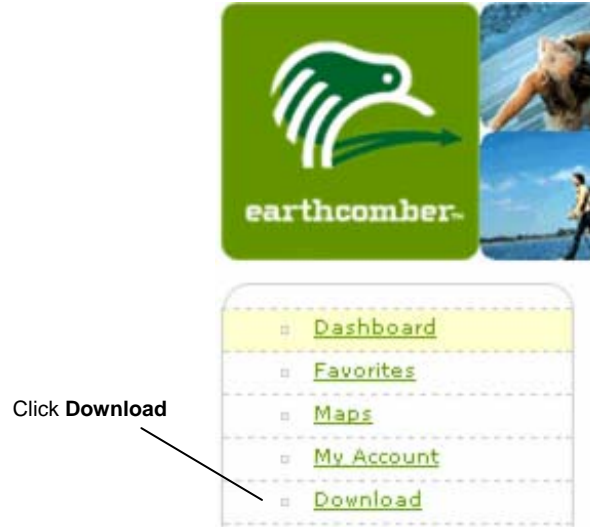
See page 18 for more information about what you will see during the HotSync process.



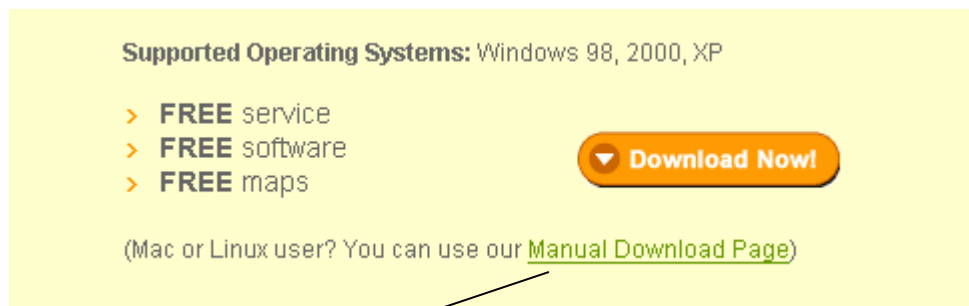
Downloading Instructions for Macintosh and Linux PCs

If you have a Macintosh or Linux PC, use the Download page of the Earthcomber website to move files to your PC.

1. On the Earthcomber website, select the maps you want to download.
2. On the Earthcomber website, select **Download**.



3. Select the **Manual Download Page**

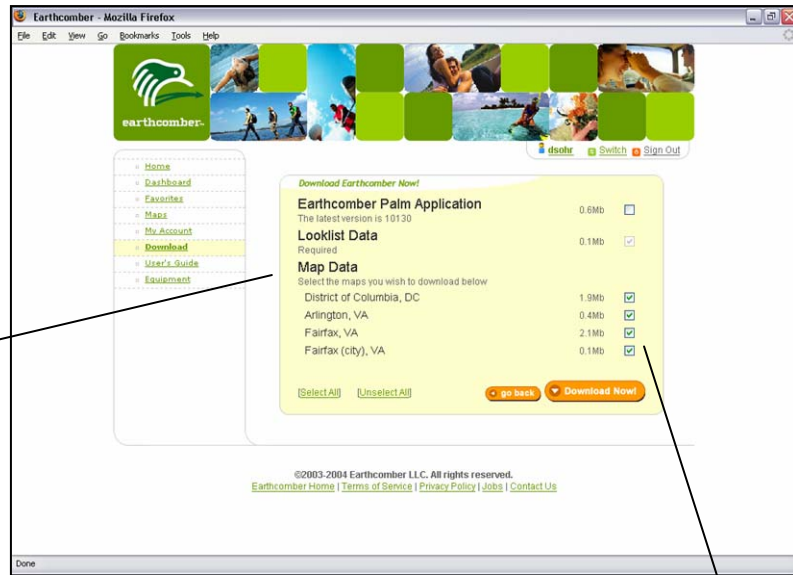


Click **here**



- Use the next page to select which files will be downloaded. Note: Look Lists are not selectable. Your current Look Lists will always be downloaded.

These files can be copied to your PC.

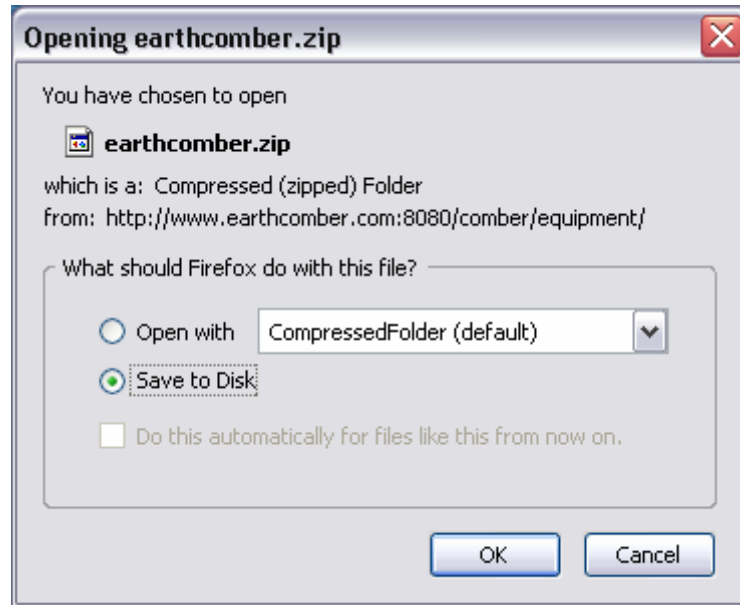


You can select or unselect any file.

- Press **Download Now**.



Earthcomber creates a zip file containing all of the files you selected and prompts you to save the file.



6. Select **Save to Disk**

Earthcomber saves the zip file to your PC's desktop.

7. On your PC, locate the zip file and use your unzip program to extract the contents.
8. Move the contents of the zip file to your Palm as you normally would.

