

Playing .wmv movies on MAC Computers

If you have an Apple MAC Computer and you need to play Windows Movie (.wmv) files, you may need to add a free plug-in called Flip4Mac first. This is a one-time thing. Once you install it, your .wmv video files should play normally.

Note that there are other plug-ins or conversion programs you can use. This one is known to be safe and gets four stars on CNET, so if you don't need other features and don't feel like doing much research yourself, then this is a simple option.

Here's the process you can follow:

1) Before you start, try playing a .wmv file on your computer. Just double click the file and see what happens. If it plays, then stop. You are good to go.

2) If the .wmv file does not play, then go to CNET and check out Flip4Mac, which is produced by Telestream. You can also click the link and check out Telestream if you'd like. The link is: http://download.cnet.com/Flip4Mac-WMV-Player/3000-13632_4-87679.html. Once you've read about the program, click the large green "Download Now" button in the upper left part of the page.

3) A pop-up will appear and will let you decide where to put the .dmg file that is being downloaded. You can put it in your downloads folder, on your desktop, or wherever you'd like. Note that .dmg files are Apple Disk Image files. This is the file that will install the program for you.

4) Once the .dmg file has downloaded, double-click it and follow the directions that result. Once the installation is complete, you should be able to watch .wmv (and other) movie formats by double clicking the video files.