Configure FTP settings in Dreamweaver

Dreamweaver FTP Limited Support

Dreamweaver's built-in FTP client is known to be buggy, especially when using secure connections. We suggest using FileZilla or some other standards compliant FTP application.

Dreamweaver End of Life

Desktop versions of Dreamweaver CS 4.x and 5.x are no longer maintained by Adobe. They offer Creative Cloud editions which still have known FTP issues. The documents below are meant for those adventurous souls that have older versions and would like to see if it still works.

To use FTP inside of Dreamweaver please read the following steps:

1. On the Tool Bar of Dreamweaver, click Site
2. Select "Define Sites" and Click "New"
3. Use the "Advanced" Tab

Under Local Info Use the following settings:

Site Name: yourdomain.com
Local Folder: This is where you store your web site files on your local PC
HTTP Address: http://yourdomain.com
Enable Cache: check the Dreamweaver documentation to see if you want to enabled this or not.

Under Remote Info:

Access: FTP
FTP Host: yourdomain.com
Host Directory: public_html
login: ftp username
password: ftp password
Save: Check the box

Use Passive FTP: checked or unchecked. If you have difficulty retaining your ftp connection, or the connection constantly times out, try toggling this mode to see what works best for you.

Use Firewall: If your Computer is behind a personal firewall, then simply set the configuration. If you do not know what this is, leave it blank.

Enable Checkin/Checkout: Leave this blank unless you understand the implications of enabling this function.

Related articles

- Multi-Domain Hosting - Addon Domains
- Dreamweaver cannot determine the remote server time.
- Setting up Dreamweaver CS 5.x to Publish Your Site
- Configure FTP settings in Dreamweaver
- Addon Domains: Accessing cPanel or FTP for each new domain