

8 Features That Make Using a PC Or Laptop Easier For A Silver Surfer

At Clear Computer we encourage the elderly to get online. Try adjusting the following settings to make accessing a computer a little easier

You can access any of these features by simply going – start- control panel – within the search box type the function you wish to edit.

Step 1: High Contrast

By turning on high contrast you will heighten the colour contrast. This will benefit anyone who has poor eyesight to make items more distinct.

Step 2: Cursor Width

By increasing the cursor width you are making the cursor larger in size, meaning those with limited vision will find it easier to track.

Step 3: Mouse Pointer

Here you can change the size and shape of the pointer making it more visible. You can also alter the scroll wheel speed so it becomes easier to use.

Step 4: Screen Resolution

This refers to the clarity of the text and images on your screen. By reducing the resolution items become larger and easier to see.

Step 5: Start Magnifier:

For those with limited vision this will enlarge different parts of the screen.

Step 6: 'Sticky Keys'

If you require to hold two keys down at the same time you can use 'sticky keys' to be allowed to press one key at a time instead of simultaneously.

Step 7: 'Filter Keys'

instructs the keyboard to ignore brief or repeated keystrokes. Using Filter Keys you can also slow the rate at which a key repeats when you hold it down

Step 8: 'Mouse Keys'

If you have trouble using the mouse, by switching on mouse keys you enable the numeric keypad to control the pointer instead.

Step 9: 'On-Screen Keyboard'

Some find using a keyboard difficult, therefore having a keyboard on your screen which is used via the mouse would be an easier option.

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