

Downloading/opening file in client application window

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The following code added to Page_Load works a treat:

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Response.ContentType = "application/zip"  
Response.AppendHeader("Content-Disposition", "attachment;  
filename=DesktopChange.pdf")  
Response.WriteFile("C:\Inetpub\wwwroot\Download\DesktopChange.pdf")  
Response.Flush()
```

But *only* if the document exists in the web site or is accessible by the ASPNET account. However, it fails if the document is stored on the network, e.g. s:\temp\desktopchange.pdf. This isn't surprising as the ASPNET can't access s:\Temp.

One workaround we've though of is using the upload file functionality to upload from the client to the server into a temporary file and then serve up this temporary file.

But this requires an upload and a download which is waste.

Anyone got any ideas how to solve this?

Cheers, Rob.

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