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"Neil Gould" <neil@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Hi Robert,

Thanks for your response and attempt to help me sort this out. After my last message, I discovered that I mistyped part of the command line (serves me right for trying it pre-coffee at 5:00AM). However, that was only a minor matter that didn't resolve my initial problem.

Recently, Robert Aldwinckle <robald@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> posted:
[...]

For example, if you ended up on this article

<title>Download-only installation of Internet Explorer 6.0, Internet Explorer 5.5, or Internet Explorer 5.1 in Windows XP or in Windows 2000</title>
<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/257249/EN-US/>

I can well imagine that you might misinterpret either the instructions or the use of the meta characters in its examples.

FWIW here is how I last described the minimum procedure.

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Actually what it is sometimes shown and makes more sense as is that the #E is just a placeholder for a target directory.

In fact, what works, when the target directory is the same as the directory for ie6setup.exe (which may be otherwise empty) is:

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ie6setup /c:"ie6wzd /d:1"
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[...]

Both the full command line and your shortcut give the same result as

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running the program with no command line switches. After the wizard boots and the OS is selected, it tries to download files from the internet, which of course fails with a proxy server error because, as I mentioned in my original plea, that machine has no access to the internet.

We are assuming that you have a machine which does connect to the Internet and that is where you are trying these commands. The /D:1 switch allows you to pick an IE6sp1 for an OS which is different from the one you are using.

Once you do the download you would have to do a SneakerNet file transfer to the target machine.

However, this reminds me that even after you do all that you may still have a problem with the lack of connectivity because the act of installing may still appear to need a connection in order to validate the downloaded files. The one time when I did this I got around that problem by setting Connections settings to Never dial and that meant that at most a LAN connection would be tried. Even then since it saw a modem it tried to prompt me to dial out but I disallowed that and the install finally worked. Since then I have always installed from a CD—much less trouble that way. ;)

I was hoping that there was the equivalent to service pack updates or a stand-alone installer for ie6 that would avoid this problem.

Many packages still provide an IE6sp1 to be installed optionally as a way to support their documentation. You could try getting it that way if you can't get it any other way.

HTH

Robert
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