

# Clearing the History and Deleting Cookie Files in Internet Explorer\*

- **Cookies** provide a convenience feature that will save time when visiting websites. The intention of **Cookies** is to tell the web server that you have returned to a specific webpage. For example, if you register for products or services, a cookie helps the webpage server to recall your specific information.
- Internet Explorer will keep a **History** of any website you visit. The next time you visit a webpage you have previously visited, it will not take long to load because it is already in your **History**.
- **If you follow the instructions below, deleting your cookies and history will not harm your computer.**

1. Quit Internet Explorer
2. Click Start, then **Settings**, then **Control Panel**, and then double-click **Internet Options**.
3. On the **General** tab, click **Clear History**, and then click **YES**.
4. On the **General** tab, click **Delete Cookies** under **Temporary Internet Files**, and then click **OK**.
5. Click **OK**.

*\*Please note that the following instructions will only work if you are using Windows 98, or a later version, and Internet Explorer 5, or a later version. If you are using a different browser please refer to the manufacturer's website or click on the **Help** tab in the browser.*