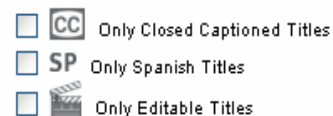


Closed Captioning

Up until recently, closed captioning could only be streamed on a Windows machine, but now you can also download them. Here are the directions for downloading the files.

Search for or locate a video with Closed Captioning

Using the Advanced Search, type in a subject, select any other feature (optional), and select the “Closed Caption” option. Or, just look to see if the Closed Captioning icon is displayed on the Search Results.



Enabling the Closed Captioning Feature

If you see “My Preferences” in your menu next to “My Playlist”, click on it and scroll to the bottom. Check “enable closed captioning”. If you do not see “My Preferences” in your menu, look at the top of the clip list and locate “Show Media Controls”. Click on it and check “enable closed captioning”.



Downloading the .asf and .smi files

The most important thing about downloading the closed captioning is make sure the two files have exactly the same name except for the extension. If you have local hosting or Network Manager in place, you will need to make sure to change the video file name to match your .smi file.

Downloading the .smi file:

Once you’ve enabled Closed Captioning, you will notice that the CC icons will appear next to each clip.

Place your cursor over the icon of the clip you want to download > right-click > Save Target As > choose a file location > Save the file. In this screenshot, the suggested file name is “Static_Electricity.smi”



Downloading the .asf file:

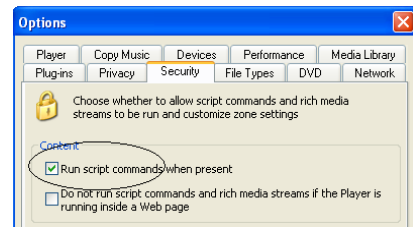
Download the video file as you normally would, but make sure you have named the exactly the same as the .smi file. This account does not have Network Manager in place, so the process is simply to place the cursor over the “D” > right-click > Save Target As > rename the file if necessary to match the .smi file > save it in the same folder.

Note: If Network Manager is in place, after the clip has been downloaded, click on the Network Manager link in the Menu to access the clips. When you locate the matching clip, place your cursor over the “D” > right-click > Save Target As > rename the file to match the .smi file > save it in the same folder as the .smi file on your local drive.

Adjusting the Settings in Windows Media Player

In Tools...

Go to the Menu (if it is not visible, maximize the Window) > Tools > Options > Security > Run script command when present > OK. (If you are using Windows Media Player 10, you will also need to check “Local captions”.)



In Play...

Go to the Menu > Play > Captions and Subtitles > On if Available



Display Full Screen

Closed Captioning will drop off the screen when you go Full Screen with Windows Media Player 9, but will display nicely with version 10. I've also noticed that the captions will display in embedded PowerPoint slides if all the settings have been set in Windows Media Player.