

# IMAP versus POP3

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## IMAP

IMAP is the main email account type supported at WizMailer. IMAP is actually a protocol and an option that you choose to configure when creating a new account in an email client. IMAP has the advantage of leaving your mail on our servers, as well as other relevant information about the message (the folder it is in, whether it has been read or not, etc). This is useful if use more than one computer or if you don't want your email tied to an email program which could crash and lose all of your mail. The main disadvantage is that it is a bit more complicated to setup.

## POP3

WizMailer also supports POP3, but it offers less functionality. Many advanced features like shared folders are not available when using POP3. The biggest disadvantage is that only mail from the main inbox folder will be retrieved (subfolders will be ignored)