

## **Web Hosting User Guide:**

### **What is web hosting?**

Web hosting is a means of allowing Internet users to view your website. EOT provides you your own server storage space, to store and server your website to web surfers.

### **Domain Name:**

A domain name is the name of your website (mysite.com) You must register, and purchase, your domain name in order to have a "mysite.com" address. EOT does not register domain names. You will need to register your domain with a domain registrar of your choice (Yahoo!, Network Solutions, GoDaddy.com, to name a few) once this is complete you will need to point your registrar to EOT's DNS or (Domain Name Servers, sometimes just called "Name Servers") When a web surfer types your domain name into their browser the domain will be looked up via that users DNS server. Their DNS server will then "know" to direct the request to your EOT web space, located on EOT servers. The EOT server will then serve the page to that surfer's browser. This whole process is usually done within a matter of seconds, if not milli-seconds.

### **Web Space:**

Once your domain is registered and pointed to the EOT DNS servers you will need to upload your website to your EOT web space. If you already have a website you will need to copy the site from its current location and upload it to your EOT web space.

Need help accessing or uploading files to your Web Space? See our FTP User Guide for more information.

### **Email addresses:**

With your domain name you can have matching email addresses like bob@mysite.com This helps brand your email address to your website, and also for customer, or user, ease of use.