

mRSS v5.0 User Manual

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Introduction

Welcome

mRSS is RSS feeds reader for Palm Treo and Centro devices. With mRSS you can download and read the latest news and content from numerous sources of your choice from around the world right on your smartphone.

RSS feeds are emerging channel for delivering the web site content, such as news, blogs and corporate communication, to the end users. All major news and information providers support the RSS format which mRSS can download and display.

And not just that! Today, almost any web content is available in RSS format. With mRSS, you will be able to download any RSS content and read it right on your device.

Being a new generation RSS reader, mRSS will make it possible to get RSS feeds to your device while browsing the web on your desktop computer. By using mRSS account, you will be able to add your favorite web content to your account on mRSS server, and get it afterwards on your device by selecting single option within mRSS.

Some of the key mRSS features are:

- Advanced user interface – responds to your hand gestures and thus make it more intuitive and time saving
- Download and read RSS feeds – always stay up to date with all the info that are interesting to you
- Ability to download RSS content added to your mRSS account – while surfing the internet on your desktop computer
- Option to schedule RSS feeds download and download in the background while using any other functionality or application on your device
- Various options for RSS feeds handling (archive, change text size and more)

Thank you for choosing mRSS!

How to Reach Us

Customer satisfaction is our top priority, so if you have any questions, comments, suggestions, or requests, we would be happy to hear from you. Here's how to reach us:

Web: <http://www.MotionApps.com/support>

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Palm OS Basics

This manual assumes the user has knowledge of fundamental Palm OS concepts. If you are unsure how to run application or other related concepts, please consult the user's guide that came with your communicator.

Installation

The mRSS Package

The package should contain the following in the zip file:

- mRSS Palm OS “.prc” file
- This Guide in PDF format

Requirements:

- Palm Centro, Palm Treo 680, Palm Treo 755p, Palm Treo 700p, Palm Treo 650

Installing Your Software

To install an application transfer the .prc file to your device through a regular HotSync or by sending it to Palm device over Bluetooth or IR connection.

If you are unsure how to install an application on your communicator, please consult the manual that came with it.

Before installing mRSS on your device, make sure that you have deleted any previous versions of mRSS you may have.

You can do that if you go to Application Launcher, start App menu and select Delete option. Then find mRSS in the list of applications and delete it.

About the Demo Version

The demo version of mRSS is fully functional during the 7 day trial period. After the trial period expires, mRSS will remain non functional until you activate it.

License activation

When you purchase mRSS, the activation code will be sent to you via e-mail. **Please make sure that you have used the correct e-mail address during the purchase process.**

In order to activate mRSS, start the application, select "Activate" option from the main menu and follow on-screen instructions.

Using mRSS

Basics – advanced mRSS User Interface Options

mRSS User Interface will respond to your hand gestures and thus make it more intuitive and time saving – instead of browsing through the options by using up-down arrows and selecting keys, you will be able to control it by touching the screen and moving through the options. It will bring you the experience of *immediacy* and *connection* to your device.

You can also control it with classic 5-way buttons navigation, or quickly jump to the option by typing in the letters of the option you wish to go to on your keyboard. For example, if you press “t” key on your keyboard, **Tips** option will be automatically selected. Or, if you press “n” key, **Settings** option will be selected.

mRSS Main Menu

When you start mRSS, you will see a few main menu options.

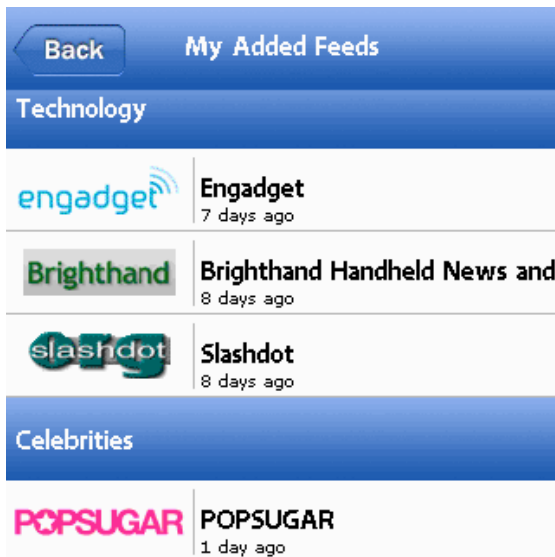


My RSS Feeds

Within this menu option, you will be able to see the list of your added feeds, view archived articles and add RSS feed. Each item is described below.

List My Added Feeds





This option displays all the feeds you have added.




By selecting a feed you will be able to see all the articles within the particular feed.

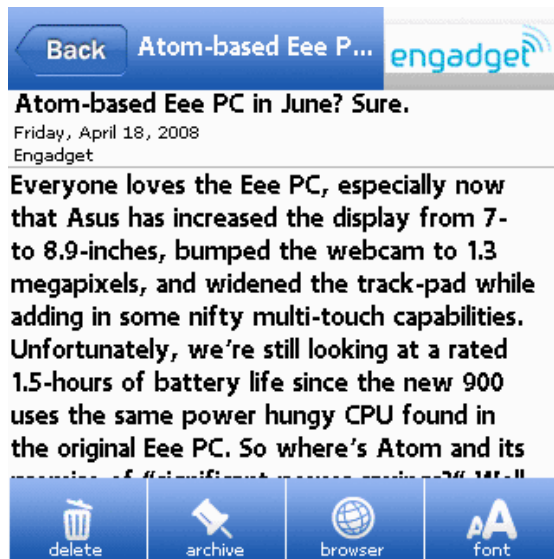


Also, you will have the options to:





-  delete the particular feed
-  empty the feed, i.e. remove all the articles within the feed
-  update the feed, i.e. download the new articles or
-  edit the feed

To organize the feeds, select the feed and then press Edit  button. On Edit form, you will be able to add new categories within drop down menu and to select the category for the feed edited. This way, you can keep things neat and organized or change the feed name and URL if you previously made incorrect entry (or similar).


Select a single article will display it on a separate screen allowing you to read it in its entire form.



You will be able to:

-  delete it
-  archive it
-  view it in browser or
-  change font size for the article.


My Archive

This option displays all the articles you archived by selecting Archive  option from article view.

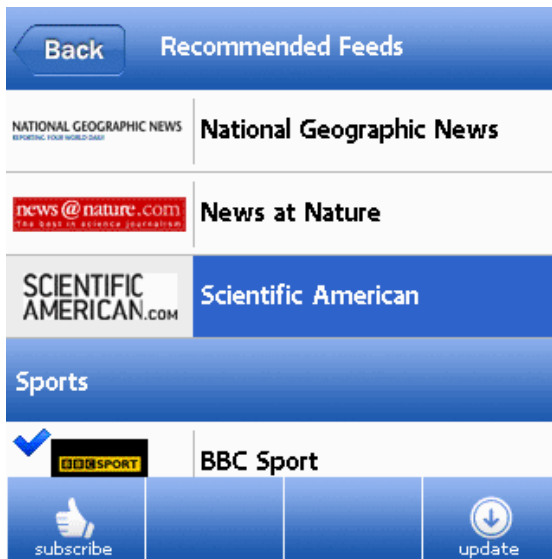
My Archive is especially valuable if you are just taking a quick look and would like to return to some of the articles later. Also, the articles archived will not be deleted if you select the option to empty the particular feed, or to clean up all the feeds and will thus be available for later.

Add RSS Feeds

This option will allow you to add feeds from recommended list, to add them from you PC and to add feeds manually.

Add from Recommended List option will allow you to add an RSS feed from the list of our recommended RSS feeds. As they all have different content, you can simply select the option to subscribe  to the ones that are of interest to you.

If you subscribe to some of the feeds from the list of recommended ones, they will automatically become available within the list of My Added Feeds.



Add from my PC option will allow you to get RSS feeds to your device while browsing the web on your desktop computer. This means that you do not have to manually insert the links, but simply find RSS content you wish to have available on your device and click.

mRSS comes with the service that enables you to subscribe to any RSS feed using your web browser on desktop computer. If you subscribe to any RSS feeds channels through mRSS account, you can easily access the content you have subscribed to by selecting **Add from my PC** option. mRSS will then automatically download all the feeds you have previously added to your mRSS account on your PC or Mac.

To add your favorite web content to mRSS, there are few simple steps:

1. Go to mRSS web page at <http://www.motionapps.com> on your desktop computer
2. Follow the on screen instructions for creating mRSS account, i.e. insert the last six digits of your phone number, fill in the required fields and select "Create Account"

Make sure to insert the correct phone number at mRSS web page as well as on your mobile device, as you would not be able to download the feeds if discrepancy between the numbers

Also, it is possible to change your phone number at any time by selecting Settings > Set My Phone Number.

3. After you have successfully created your mRSS account you will get two links to add to your favorite web browser:
 "Add to mRSS" (for automatic adding of RSS feeds) and
 "Add Manually to mRSS" (manual adding of RSS feeds).

The option to manually add the RSS feeds on your desktop computer has the same functionality as **Add a Feed Manually** option on your mobile device, but you will be able to manually subscribe on your desktop computer instead on your mobile device (copy and paste the RSS feed link instead of manually type it on your mobile device).

Next step is to create two buttons for these two options (from step 3.) within your web browser.

Please follow the instruction that apply to the web browser you use.

1.1.1 Internet Explorer

At the moment, if you are Internet Explorer user, you would not be able to use mRSS automatic adding feeds feature (by simply clicking on one button) due to the Internet Explorer's inability to send the XML file in a way for mRSS to process them correctly.

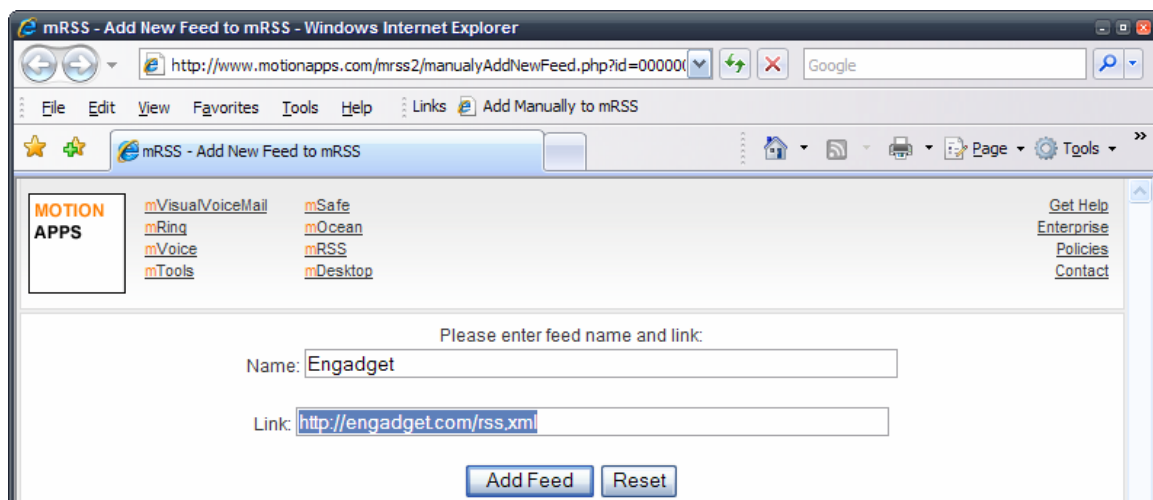
You can however add a link for manual adding of RSS feeds to Favorites in Internet Explorer.

After you fill in phone number info and access your mRSS account, click on “Add Manually to mRSS” option and add the link to Favorites within Internet Explorer.



Next time you wish to add a particular RSS feed to your feeds, simply copy the URL of a particular link to the Link box and click on “Add Feed”.

Please, make sure that your web browser is displaying the actual RSS content before you copy the URL into Link box.



After this, you will be able to access the content you have subscribed to by selecting **Add from My PC** option in **Add RSS Feeds** menu option.

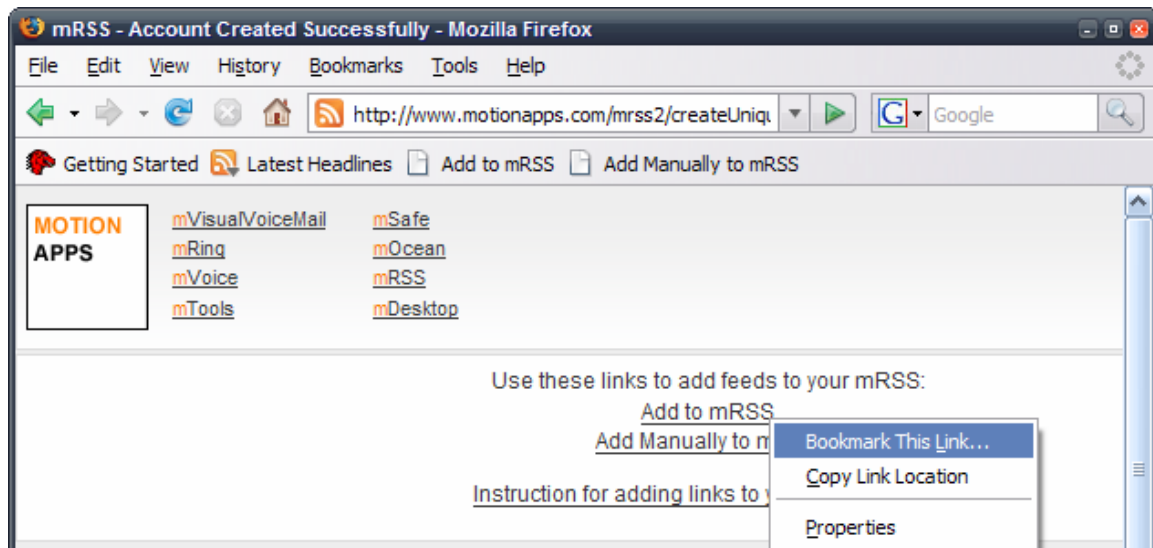
All the RSS feeds you browsed and added to your account on your desktop computer will be downloaded and now available on your device!

You will find the feeds downloaded within Unfiled category in **List My Added Feeds** main menu option.

1.1.2 Firefox

Make sure the "Bookmarks Toolbar" is checked under View → Toolbars.

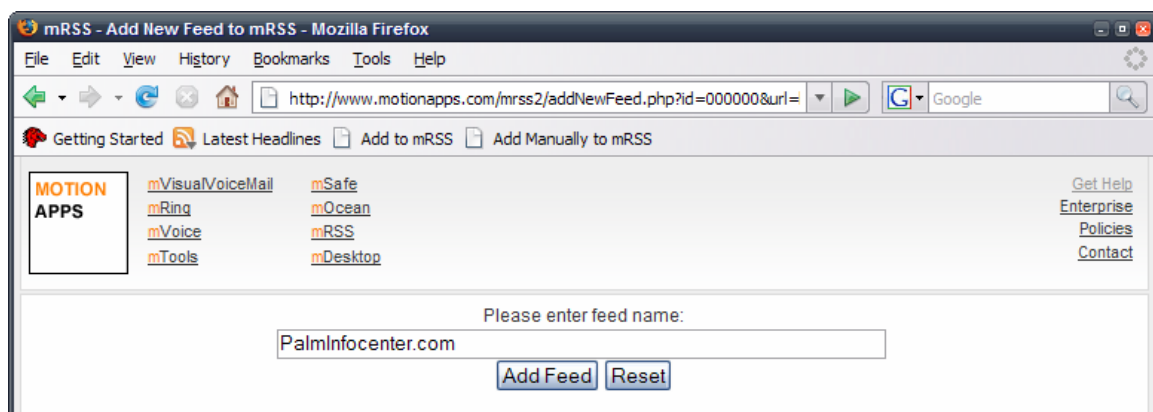
Create buttons for both mRSS options by dragging and dropping them to Bookmarks toolbar or by right clicking on them and selecting option Bookmark this Link... and select Bookmarks Toolbar under Create in: option.



To automatically add RSS feed to the list of your RSS feeds, you will simply click "Add to mRSS" while on the particular RSS feed page.

Please, make sure that your web browser is displaying the actual RSS content when you click on "Add to mRSS" button.

If you select the option to add the feed manually to mRSS, you would simply copy the URL of RSS feed into Link box and click on "Add Feed".



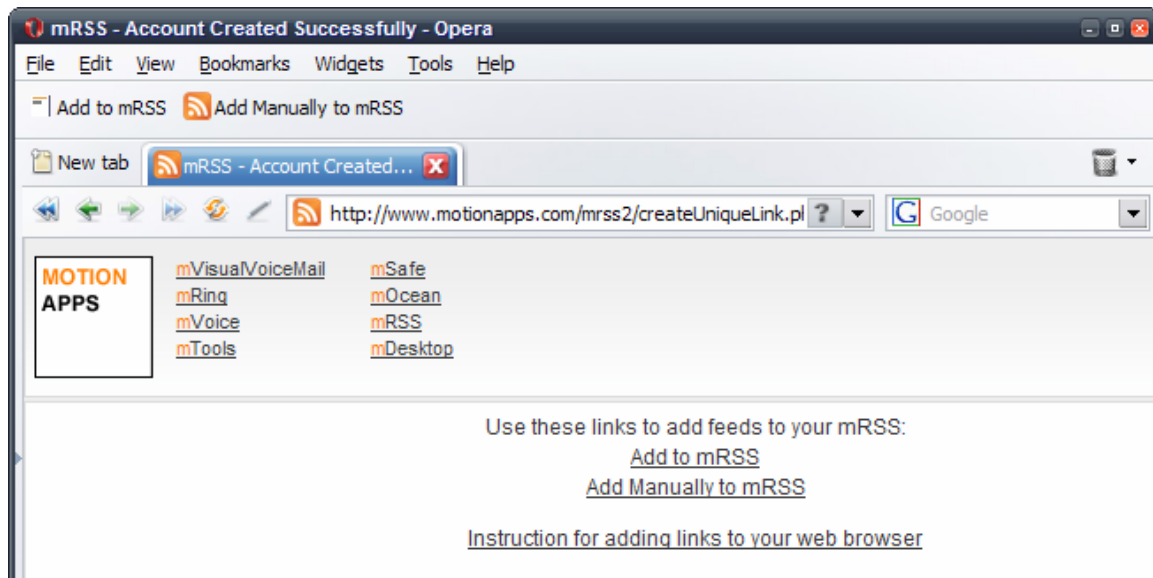
After this, you will be able to access the content you have subscribed to by selecting **Add from My PC** option in **Add RSS Feeds** menu option.

All the RSS feeds you browsed and added to your account on your desktop computer will be downloaded and now available on your device!

You will find the feeds downloaded within Unfiled category in **List My Added Feeds** main menu option.

1.1.3 Opera

Make sure the "Personal bar" is checked under View → Toolbars. Create buttons for both mRSS options by drag and dropping them to Personal bar. To keep things organized, you can rename the buttons to "Add to mRSS" and "Manually Add to mRSS" if you select the button, right click and change the name within Properties option.



To automatically add RSS feed to the list of your RSS feeds, you will simply click "Add to mRSS" while on the particular RSS feed page.

Please, make sure that your web browser is displaying the actual RSS content when you click on "Add to mRSS" button.

If you select the option to add the feed manually to mRSS, you would simply copy the URL of RSS feed into Link box and click on "Add Feed".



After this, you will be able to access the content you have subscribed to by selecting **Add from My PC** option in **Add RSS Feeds** menu option.

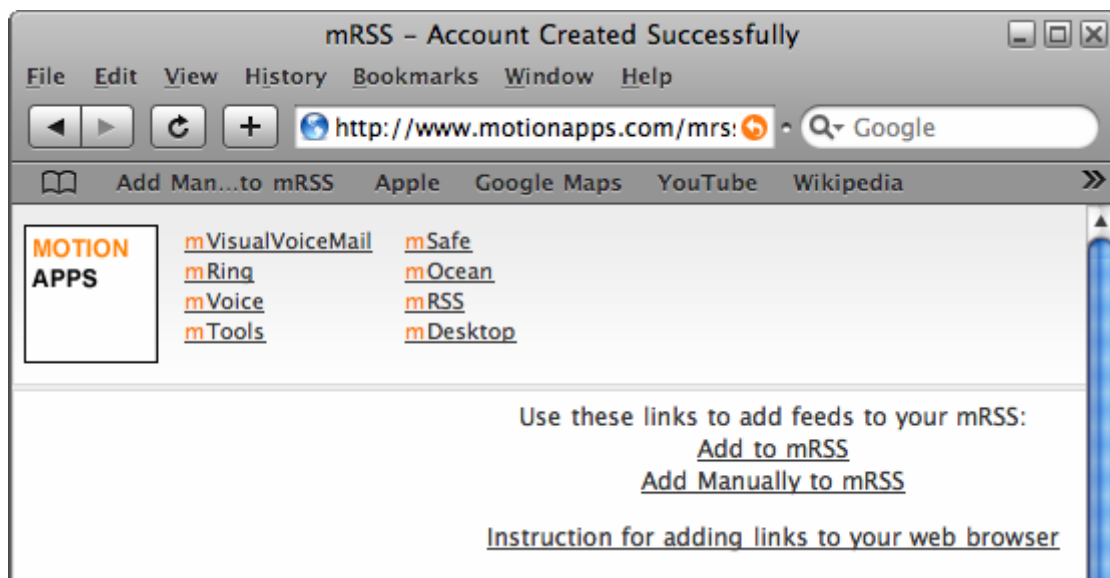
All the RSS feeds you browsed and added to your account on your desktop computer will be downloaded and now available on your device!

You will find the feeds downloaded within Unfiled category in **List My Added Feeds** main menu option.

1.1.4 Safari

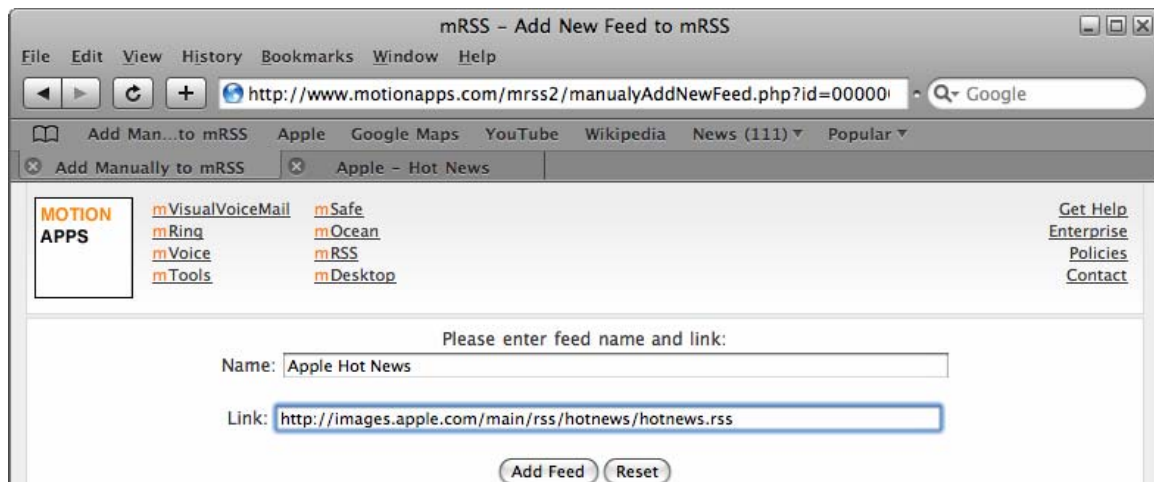
At the moment, if you are Safari user, you would not be able to use mRSS automatic adding feeds feature (by simply clicking on one button) due to the Safari's inability to send the XML file in a way for mRSS to process them correctly.

You can however create a button for "Add Manually to mRSS" by drag and dropping it to Bookmarks toolbar.



Next time you wish to add a particular RSS feed to your feeds, simply copy the URL of a particular link to the Link box and click on "Add Feed".

Please, make sure that your web browser is displaying the actual RSS content before you copy the URL into Link box.



After this, you will be able to access the content you have subscribed to by selecting **Add from My PC** option in **Add RSS Feeds** menu option.

All the RSS feeds you browsed and added to your account on your desktop computer will be downloaded and now available on your device!

You will find the feeds downloaded within Unfiled category in **List My Added Feeds** main menu option.

Make sure to insert the correct phone number at mRSS web page as well as on your mobile device, as you would not be able to download the feeds if discrepancy between the numbers

*Also, it is possible to change your phone number at any time by selecting **Settings > Set My Phone Number**.*

Add a Feed Manually option will take you to the form where you can manually insert the name and link of a particular feed you wish to subscribe to.

Add Feed ▼ Technology

Feed Name:
PalmInfocenter

URL:
/ http:// www. .com .net .org .xml
http://www.palminfocenter.com/feed.xml

OK Cancel Clear

Settings

Following options are available in **Settings** menu:

About - displays the info on the software version

Article Text Size – changes the text size for all the articles within the list of your feeds. By selecting this option, you will be able to change the text size between S, M, L, XL and XXL.

Automatic Feeds Update option – allows you to set automatic feeds update. You can switch between On and Off by selecting this option

Automatic Update Frequency – allows you to set the frequency for automatic feed update. By selecting any of the predefined timings (5min, 15min etc), you will set the timing after which your feeds will be automatically updated

Download XML from OPML – allows you to automatically update all the XML files within the list (as OPML files include links to different XML files – RSS feeds). You can switch between On and Off by selecting this option

Delete Articles – allows you to set predefined time for automatic articles deleting. By selecting any of the predefined timings (After 1 day, After 3 days etc), you will set the timing after which your articles will be automatically deleted. However, this option will not delete the articles within **My Archive**, so that is where you can keep the articles you wish to save.

Clean up All Feeds – allows you to delete all the articles within all feeds at once

Set My Phone Number – allows you to set your phone number, or to correct it if inserted incorrectly. The phone number inserted here has to be the same as the phone number inserted in order to create account within **Add from my PC** option (see pages 7 and 8)

Clicker – allows you to set the volume for clicker or to set it to Off

Check for Update – by selecting this option, mRSS will communicate with MotionApps web site in order to check the latest version available, i.e. to check if you have installed the latest version and give you the option to install it if available.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What does mRSS do?

mRSS is RSS feeds reader for Palm Treo and Centro devices. With mRSS, you will be able to download any RSS content and read it right on your device.

mRSS will make it possible to get RSS feeds to your device while browsing the web on your desktop computer. By using mRSS account, you can add your favorite web content to your account on mRSS server, and get it afterwards on your device by selecting single option within mRSS.

2. How can I download RSS content to my device?


You can add content to mRSS by selecting **Add RSS Feeds** from **My RSS Feeds** option in the mRSS main menu. You can download the feeds to your device by selecting one of the options:

- **Add from Recomendaded List** option will download the content of recomendaded feeds
- **Add from my PC** option will download the content added using your desktop computer to your account on mRSS server
- **Add a Feed Manually** option will open Edit form, thus enabling you to insert URL of the feed


3. How can I determine which page is actually RSS feed page when adding feeds?

RSS feed pages are usually marked with  button. If you select it, you should access RSS feed content and add it to your mRSS account.


4. How can I delete RSS feeds from mRSS?

To delete RSS feeds from your device, simply select Delete  option while in the feed screen.

5. How can I delete a single article from RSS feed?

To delete a single article from RSS feed, simply select Delete  option while in the article screen.

6. Can I save a single article to be able to view it later?

To save the article, simply select Archive  option while in the article screen. You will be able to see your archived articles by selecting **My RSS Feeds > My Archive** option in mRSS main menu.

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7. How can I change the article text size?

To change article text size, simply select option **Article Text Size** within **Settings** in mRSS main menu. By selecting this option, you will be able to change the text size between S, M, L, XL and XXL.

8. Can I automatically update feeds?

To update the feeds automatically, you can select **Automatic Feed Update** option within **Settings** in mRSS main menu.

9. Can I set mRSS to update the feeds in certain time intervals?

You will be able to set the update frequency for automatic feeds update if you select **Automatic Update Frequency** within **Settings** option in mRSS main menu.

Troubleshooting

mRSS normally does not require troubleshooting.

However, if you are experiencing problems please check the mRSS FAQ list or contact MotionApps technical support.

Contacting Technical Support

If you need to report a problem or request assistance when using this version of mRSS, please fill in the Support Request form on our Web site:

<http://www.motionapps.com/support>

To help us help you, please, be sure to include as much information, and as detailed description of your problem as possible.

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