Handout 2: The Internet Explorer Address/Search Bar

Back Button

Search   **Go**

Forward Button

Stop

Refresh

Secure

www.refdesk.com

http://www.refdesk.com/

http://www.refdesk.com/

https://www.wellsfargo.com/

Back Button
Returns to the page that was previously viewed in the active tab. Remember that each tab has its *own memory* on what pages it has visited.

Forward Button
Goes to the next page in the active tab's web page history.

Search
Perform a web search for whatever was typed into the Address/Search Bar. However, we recommend avoiding this button, as there are easier ways to do web searches.

Go
Sends the currently active tab to the URL that was typed into the Address/Search Bar. If something other than a URL was typed into the Address/Search Bar, then clicking this button will perform a web search. Pressing the Enter key on the keyboard does the same thing as clicking this button.

Stop
Ends the loading process if a web page is taking too long to load.

Refresh
Reloads the web page to include any material that was added to the page since it was first loaded.

Secure
Indicates that you are viewing the website on an encrypted connection. It is safe to enter personal information into these websites.

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