

Title: Compendex E-mail and RSS Alerts

Content: Saving searches in the Compendex database using RSS or e-mail alerts.

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Title	This Libcast will show you two options for saving searches in Compendex using either RSS or e-mail alerts .
Compendex Homepage	RSS and e-mail alerts provide automatic weekly updates of Compendex content that matches search queries you have saved.
Zoom on “Personal Account” box and/or Call Out	To create an e-mail alert, you first need to set-up an account in Compendex. Create an account by clicking on Register , under Personal Account .
“Register” screen	Fill in the requested information and click Submit ; this will confirm your account has been created. Press Continue to go back to the Compendex homepage.
Compendex search page Type “sake yeast” AND “brewing”	To create any alert you first need to enter a search query.
Search Results page; Zoom to “Create Alert” link	If your search retrieved useful results you can then create an e-mail alert by clicking on the Create Alert link. This will let you receive weekly updates to the e-mail address listed in your personal account. Updates will only be sent if new content is added to Compendex that matches your search query.
Compendex homepage; Zoom to “My Alerts”	To remove an alert; click on the My Alerts link.
My Alerts page Call Out on “E-mail” and “Remove”	To temporarily stop receiving e-mail updates uncheck the box . Click the Remove button to permanently remove your search query.
Search results page	Instead of an e-mail alert, another option for saving searches is to have your search results sent to an RSS account. To create an RSS alert you first need to create a search query. We will use our previous search results to create this new alert.
Zoom in on RSS Alert icon	Click the RSS button to save your search query as an alert.
RSS Alert page	The RSS button lets you save your search automatically to one of the RSS readers that Compendex has linked to.
Call Out on reader options	If you do not currently have an RSS reader account; click on one of the options provided and sign up for an account.
Call Out on hyperlink	If you have an account with an RSS reader that is not listed; cut and paste the link provided into your own RSS reader account. Each week when the Compendex database is updated, any new content matching your search query will be displayed in your RSS reader.
Homepage	Look for an RSS icon in your other favourite databases, such as Science Direct, to create other search alerts.
	This has been a brief introduction to creating e-mail and RSS alerts in Compendex, one of the many resources Dalhousie Libraries provides to help you research and learn effectively. If you need any other assistance, please contact one of our reference desks, or get online assistance with our live help service. You may also want to view some of our other LibCasts on doing library research.