

Base Map Online Store – Ordering Orthophotos

Orders for digital orthophoto mapsheets, TRIM digital vector data mapsheets, raster base maps, digital and hard copy air photos and other products can now be placed via the **Base Map Online Store** at <http://www.basemaps.gov.bc.ca> with VISA, Mastercard or AMEX. The application can be launched directly from <http://openmaps.gov.bc.ca/imfows13/imf.jsp?site=idt>.

Note: Supported browsers are: MS Internet Explorer 6 or higher, Netscape 8/9 or Mozilla Firefox 3.0.

A valid **Business BCeID** or **Basic BCeID** (<http://www.bceid.ca>) or **IDIR** account (for BC Government staff) is required to login. A Basic BCeID can be setup online in a few minutes.

Navigate to your area of interest by entering a **Place Name, Mapsheet or Address** in the search field in the upper right hand corner of the screen or by using the **Pan** and **Zoom** tools or by using the **Area of Interest** selection tools on the main menu toolbar. Click the **Orthophotos** tab on the main menu bar.

Click the **Search for Orthophotos** tab and a basic search will be done by default, however if you know the Mapsheet Expression number (e.g. 82e.083), you can enter that directly in the **Search Area** window and then click **Search for Orthophotos**. This will display a list of available orthophotos and/or orthophoto mosaics. Note, that for some areas of BC, there may not be any orthophotos or orthophoto mosaics currently available. You can narrow your search by entering a specific year, projection (UTM or BC Albers) or a series (BCGS or NTS) and then click the **Filter Search Results** button to view the updated search result. The **Full Report** tab will display orthophoto details such as image ID, index grid, color or black/white, resolution, projection and other metadata.

When searching for orthophoto mosaics, in the **Filter Search Results** area you must select series NTS 1:125,000 or series NTS 1:2,000,000 (note: 1:2,000,000 covers the entire province). Next click on the **Filter Search Results** tab to bring up a list of available ortho mosaics for your area of interest. Details on the ortho mosaic will be in the Summary Report, **Geographic Extent**, and appear as a letter block number with directional indicators, e.g. **092gse**, denoting letter block 092g and quarter section south east.

Click on the **Add to Cart** tab to purchase individual orthophotos or click the **Add All** tab to place all orthophotos in your shopping cart. You will then be directed to a new window prompting you to login with your **BCeID** or **IDIR** account and password. (Please ensure that you have pop-ups enabled in your browser).

You are now at the **Add Products** page and you will see a listing of the TRIM Orthophoto product ID's in your Cart. For **Options**, the default Format is **TIFF** (Tag Image File Format) however you can also choose **MrSID** format which is a much smaller file. The media that the orthophoto will be supplied on is DVD-ROM. Click **OK** and the next page will indicate how many products you have in your shopping Cart. **Click Checkout**.

On the next page, enter your **Shipping Address** information, then click **Next**. The next page is **Shipping Method**. The default method is **Surface Mail**, there are other options available to select from the dropdown list (if courier method is selected, you must enter your account number with that specific courier). The next page is **Order Summary**, please review it carefully and then click **Submit and Pay**.

The last step will be **Submit and Pay** via the secure BC Government Treasury Branch Internet Payments Program with your credit card. After successful payment, you will be sent an email with the order details.