

How to import .e00 (interchange files) with the ArcView ArcGIS license

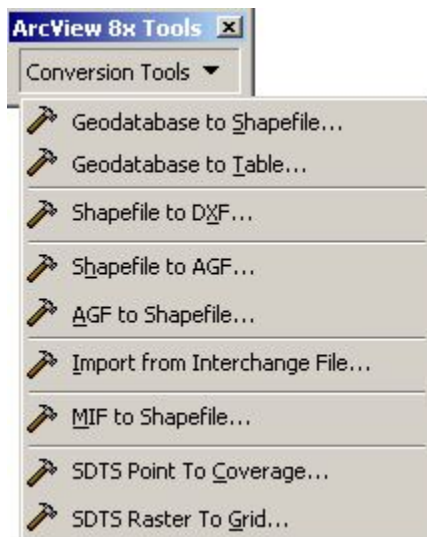
The good news is that you're able to get free or low-cost GIS software from ESRI as an OSU student.

The bad news is that you have the ArcView licensed version rather than the ArcInfo or ArcEditor version. This means that you have fewer tools in the ArcToolbox when you install this software on your home PC than what you have available in the OSU lab. One of the commands that is not available to you in ArcToolbox with the ArcView license is the "Import from Interchange File." This means that you can't import ArcInfo coverage files that have been made available through the interchange file format (*.e00).

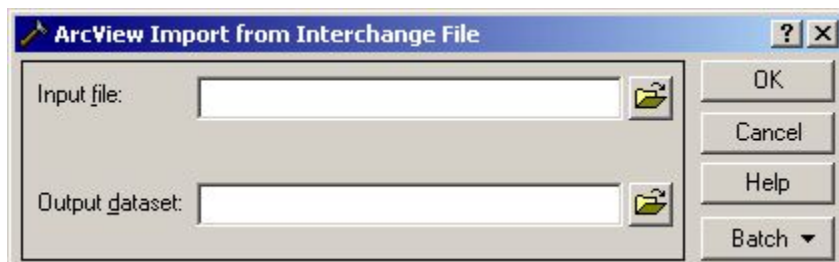
Fear not, there are two workarounds to this issue:


Work-around 1 (thanks to ESRI Technical Support Article 26812)

1. Start ArcCatalog.
2. Click View > Toolbars > ArcView 8x Tools.
3. Click the Conversion Tools drop down and select Import from Interchange File.



4. Browse to the input .E00 file and the output coverage or grid name.



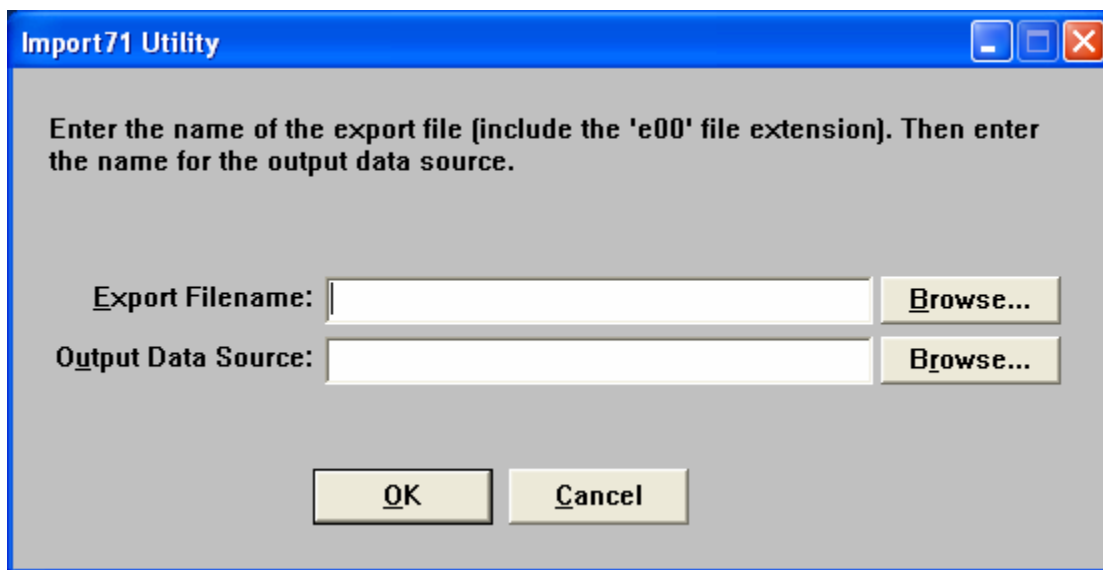
 The path to the input .E00 file and to the output location cannot contain spaces.

Work-around 2

Download and run the Import71 utility from:

<http://software.geocomm.com/translators/arcview/>

This is a freeware program that will prompt you to install the Import71 software and will even ask if you want to install a shortcut to the software on your desktop. When you run the installed software, you will get the following dialog box.



Import71 Utility

Enter the name of the export file (include the 'e00' file extension). Then enter the name for the output data source.

Export Filename: **B**rowse...

Output Data Source: **B**rowse...

OK **Cancel**