

DC++ : Using DC++ : What do the different icons mean?









Question:

Answer:

In general the following is true:

- **Bricks:** Passive mode user (note, this does not mean people without bricks are active, just that the one with bricks is passive for sure. This is detected when that user searches or tries to connect to you)
- **Blue:** DC++ user (again, not blue does not mean not DC++, this is detected when the user tries to connect to you or when you try to connect to him)

Specific examples:

-  : Unknown user
-  : Unknown OP
-  : Active mode DC++ type user
-  : Active mode DC++ type OP
-  : Unknown passive mode user
-  : Unknown passive mode OP
-  : Passive mode DC++ type user
-  : Passive mode DC++ type OP

Read [this FAQ](#) for the difference between a passive and active mode user.

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Question:

Answer:

In passive mode, DC++ will only make outbound connections to other users. All searches will be sent through the hub, and search results will be returned through the hub as well. DC++ will return a maximum of 5 search hits for a passive user. Passive users cannot download from other passive users. Passive mode is an extra strain on hubs, so please do not use it unless you must. DC++ users in passive mode will have M:P in their DC++ tag.

That being said, active mode on DC++ will make inbound and outbound connections to other users. All searches will be sent through the hub, and search results will be returned directly from active mode users and through the hub for the passive users. Active users can download from either active and passive users. Obviously that means you can connect to a larger group of people.