

Connections to all Bluetooth wireless devices are secure through 128-bit encryption and user authentication.

And last, but not least, my cell phone is connected to my Bluetooth network. The Motorola V710, available on the Telus Mobility network, is the first Bluetooth wireless phone available in Canada that operates on the Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) technology.

The Motorola V710 can be used with a Bluetooth Motorola headset—or any other brand—giving you wireless handsfree calling or you can link the phone with your computer to synchronize contact lists and calendars, check email, or send text messages.

Having my phone exchange its contact list with my desktop saves my having to enter numbers to the phone or vice versa.

Bluetooth has made connecting wirelessly an easy task. At least one part of every office can be made simpler and more efficient with the use of Bluetooth.

For more information, visit www.bluetooth.com and www.motorola.ca, www.belkin.com. ▲



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The Little Hand that Could Webinar

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When you are asked to attend a seminar, your first thought is where is it, when is it, and will it be worthwhile to attend.

For the “when” part, you are subject to the date and time chosen by the presenter. And what you gain from the seminar is really up to you.

Now, thanks to technology, the challenge of “where” is eliminated.

Webinars are taking over classroom-based seminars. As we get busier and busier in our lives, spending time travelling to a university or college is becoming more difficult. And with traffic the way it is, who wants to spend all day commuting!

Recently I was one of the instructors in a Webinar: the Land Title Office’s Electronic Filing System (EFS), The Practical Course, presented by Dye & Durham. We covered requirements for setting up EFS for obtaining and using a digital signature, for opening and managing the Property Transfer Tax bank accounts, and for using Adobe Acrobat. And we did it all from the comfort of the conference room at their Downtown Vancouver office.

The true beauty of this process is that Webinar attendees did not have to leave their office or home. Who knows? Some might have been in their pyjamas. No matter. You can attend the entire seminar online, sitting at your computer. The only technical requirements are that you have a fast Internet connection, a relatively fast computer, and speakers.

We were able to speak to the participants, but we could not hear them. In a regular seminar setting, participants can raise their hand with a question. Technology has taken care of this aspect, as well. Participants could click on a button on their screen and a little hand would pop up on our screen, indicating a question. They could also type a question and send it in as an instant message.

The technology is improving on a daily basis and with our schedules becoming more hectic, Webinars will grow more popular.