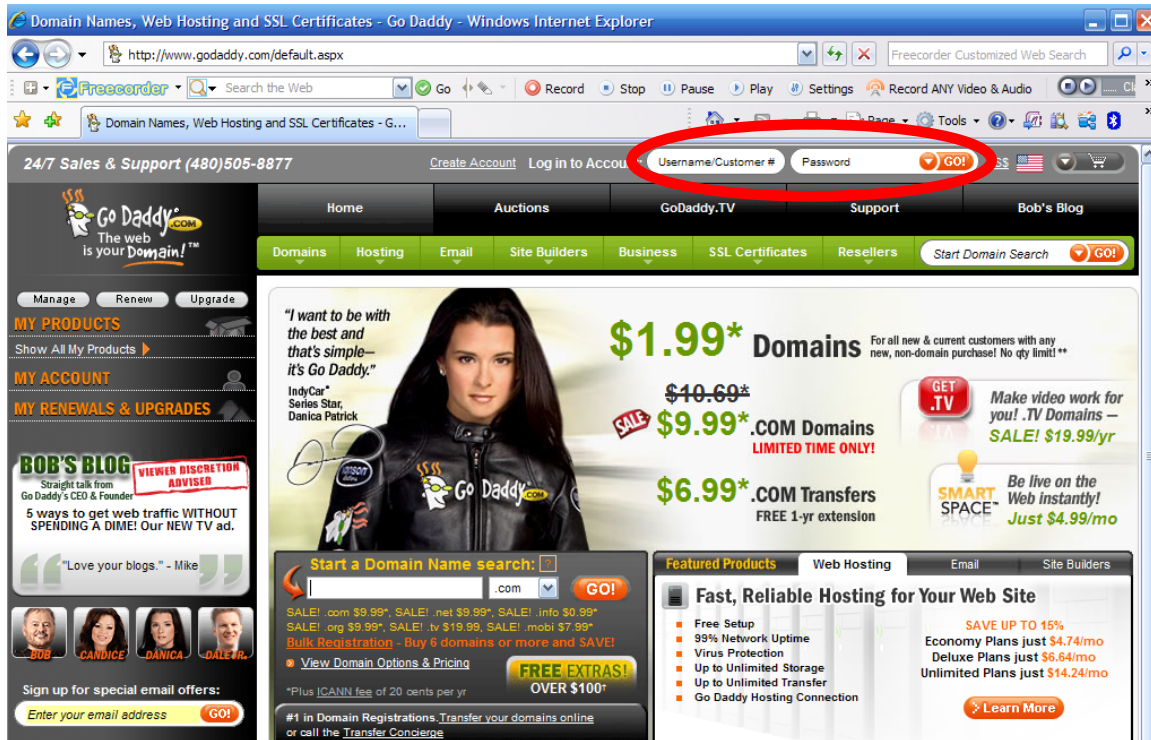
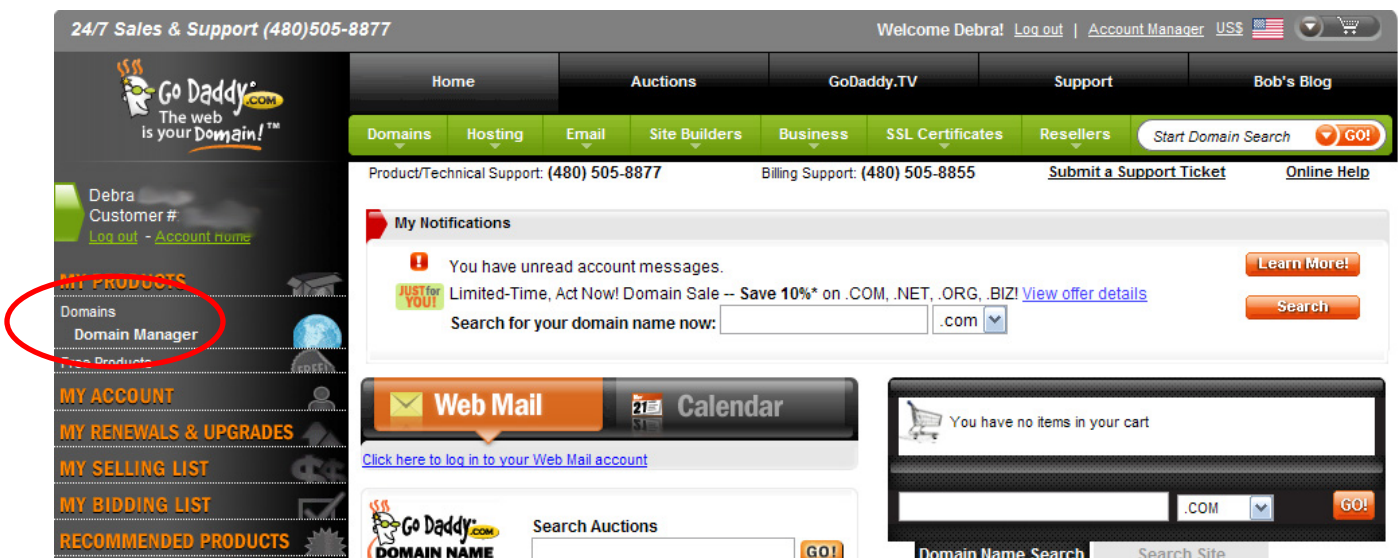


Connecting Your New Domain Name and Your Web Host

Log in to your Godaddy account (www.godaddy.com) at the top of the page (circled in red).

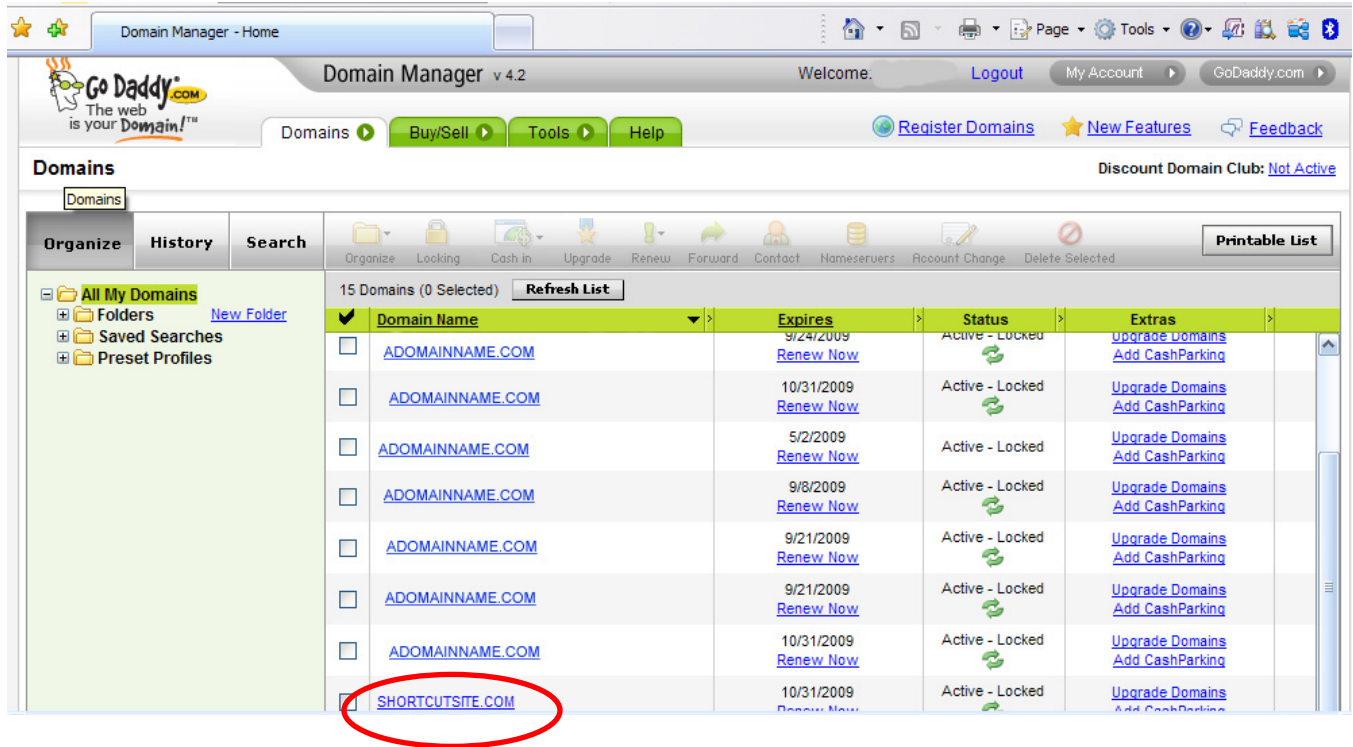


You will be taken to the **My Account** page (like the one below). Click on **Domain Manager** under **Domains** in the left hand column. (circled in red).

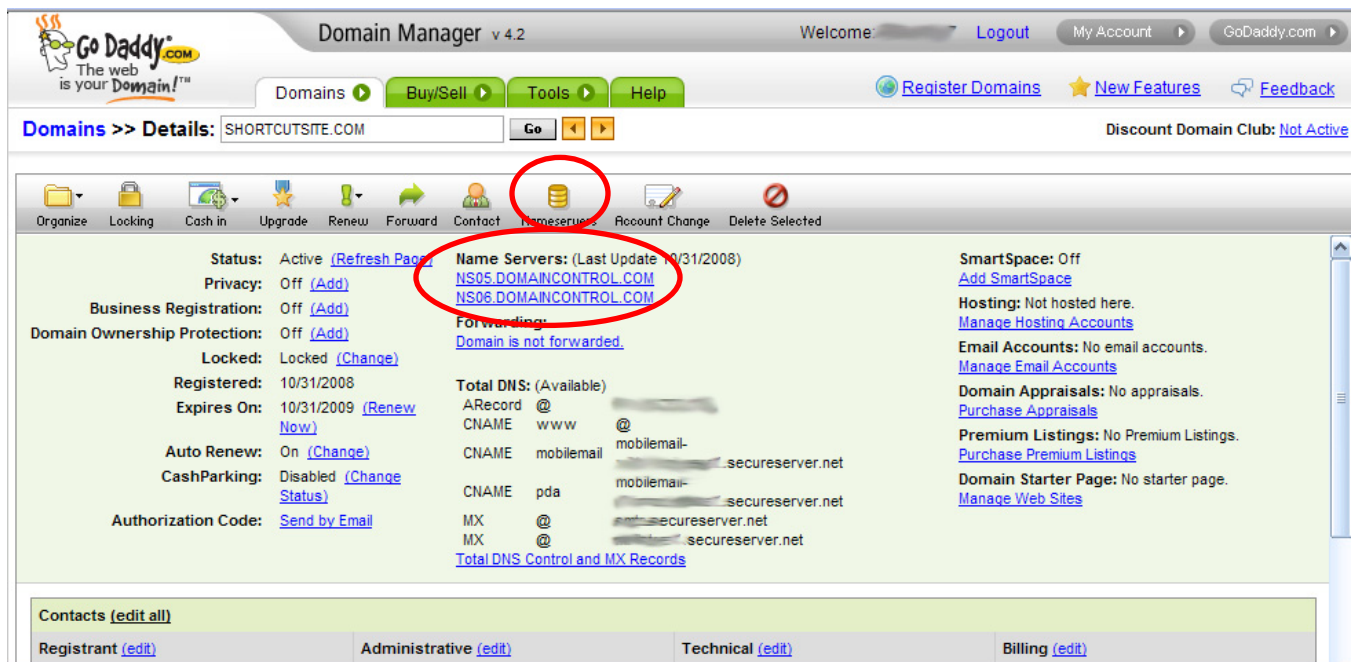


You should be taken to a page like the one on the next page (probably with fewer domains listed, if this is your first one!)

I have blanked out the domain names other than the one we will be working with, www.ShortcutSite.com.



Click on the name of the domain you want to connect with your hosting service. In this case, the circled domain of SHORTCUTSITE.COM. You will be taken to a page that looks like the screenshot below:

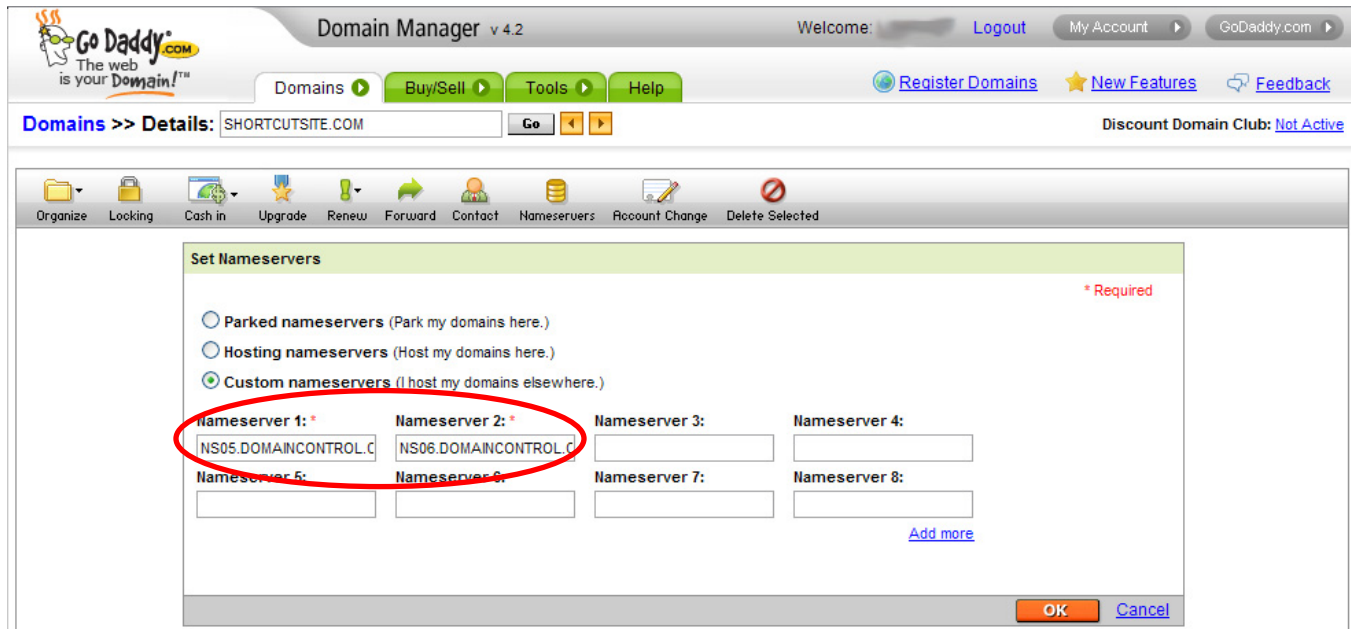


Now we want to go in and change the Name Servers to the ones you received in your welcome email from your hosting company (Hostgator, in this case).

They will be in a format of **NS###.hostgator.com**, where the ### will be numbers (probably consecutive). Grab those numbers and have them on screen or written down.

Click on either the Nameserver icon in the bar, or either blue text link under the Name Servers heading.

A screen something like this should open. The only Nameservers you need to be concerned with are 1 and 2. Delete the nameserver information that is in both of those text boxes, and type or copy and paste in the DNS (nameserver) information from your Hostgator account. Click OK when you have both DNS numbers entered.



You will receive a message that says it is submitted. Now give it a few minutes and then type your domain name into a browser window.

Set Nameservers

Your changes have been submitted. Please allow a few minutes for the changes to take effect.

Google is currently looking for new ways to provide search results, so you may get a page from Google with search listings that asks "Did you mean XXXX?" and it will suggest some other sites with one or more of the words in your domain name in them. That just means that your newly connected domain name has not been propagated across the internet yet.

You will receive an email from GoDaddy with the subject line "Status Alert: Domain Change Notification." Review it to make certain that the DNS numbers and domain name are correct.

For Add-On Domains:

If this is not your first domain on this hosting account, you will need to log in to your Hostgator cPanel account and add your new domain as an add-on domain.

Then, after a few hours, enter your domain name into your browser window. When you are taken to an 'Index of /' page instead of the search or 404 not found page, your new domain is up and ready for you to add content.

Your Text-Only Shortcut

Connecting Your New Domain Name and your Hosting Service

1. Log in to your GoDaddy.com account.
2. Click on the 'Domain Manager' text link under 'Domains' in the lefthand sidebar.
3. Click on the hyperlink to the domain you want to manage (either in under the Domain Name/Expires/Status bar) to go to a page with the details about this domain name.
4. Click on NameServers in the navigation bar above the details about your domain, or on one of the Name Servers themselves. Both will take you to the 'Set Nameservers' page.
5. Make certain that the radio button for 'Custom Nameservers' is selected.
6. Delete the info that is in Nameserver 1 and Nameserver 2 (NS##.DOMAINCONTROL.COM) (don't worry about the other blank nameserver boxes)
7. Go get the DNS information for your Hostgator (or other) account. You will find it in the welcome email you received when you set up your hosting account.
 - a. The DNS numbers will have a NS###.hostgator.com type format.
8. Type your Hostgator DNS numbers into the Nameserver 1 and Nameserver 2 text boxes (the ones from which you just deleted the original DNS data).
9. Verify that you have typed your two Hostgator DNS numbers correctly.
10. Scroll to the right and down, and select 'OK.'
 - a. It may take a bit of time before this domain shows up – until then you will see a parking page.
11. When your site is ready to use, you will see a site map page when you enter your new URL into your browser.
12. You will receive an email from GoDaddy with the subject line "Status Alert: Domain Change Notification." Review it to make certain that the DNS numbers and domain name are correct.
13. If this was your first domain, it should show up automatically in your HostGator account. However, if this was an add-on domain, you must log in to your hosting company Cpanel account (ours is at Hostgator) and add the domain name as an add-on domain to your main account.
14. In a few hours, when you type your new domain name into your browser, you should see an 'Index of /' page. This lets you know that your site is ready for you to add content.

Do you have other questions we can answer for you? Go to <http://AskDebandMynders.com> and type them in. We'll do our best to answer them in emails, blog posts, articles & teleseminars.

Thanks!

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