

Getting Started with HOTOSM

How to add features to the map

1 Set up an OpenStreetMap account

a. Navigate to openstreetmap.org & click on “Sign up”. Follow the prompts.

* A confirmation email will be sent to your email. Log in to your inbox and confirm your new OSM account.

2 Select an area to map

a. Go to the HOTOSM Tasking Manager (tasks.hotosm.org) & log in to your OSM account.

b. Select one of these tasks:

c. Read the info in the “Instructions” tab to learn about important details like the type of imagery you should use and the type of features to digitize.

d. Select a task by clicking a grid cell on the map or by choosing the “Select a Random Task” button.

e. Click “Start Mapping”

f. Select “Edit with iD editor”

3 Map the area

a. Trace features within the pink square.

To add a building: Click the “Area” button, trace the outline of the building, & double-click to finish.

To classify the area: Click “Building” in the left side menu, scroll down & click “Building” again.

To add a road: Click the “Line” button & trace the road. Make sure it connects to other intersecting roads.

To classify a line: Click “Road” in the left side menu, then pick a subcategory.

* quick tip: draw points, select feature, then hit `s` to square angles or `o` to create a circle.

* bonus: hold `alt` to disable snapping (this is important when you are drawing adjacent buildings).

* hit `?` for other keyboard shortcuts

4 Save your work

a. Click the “Save” button at the top of the map area.

b. Add these tags to the changeset comment section:

c. Click “Upload” button in the left side menu to add your features to OpenStreetMap.