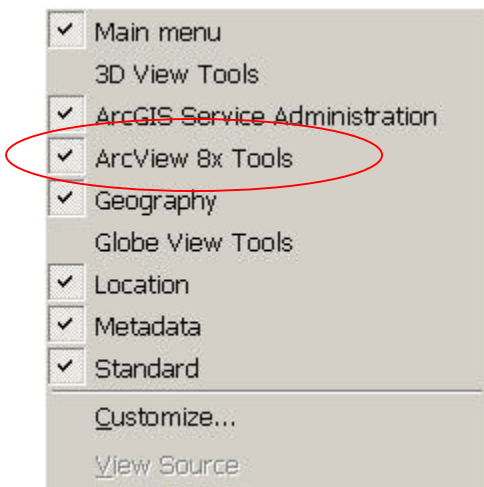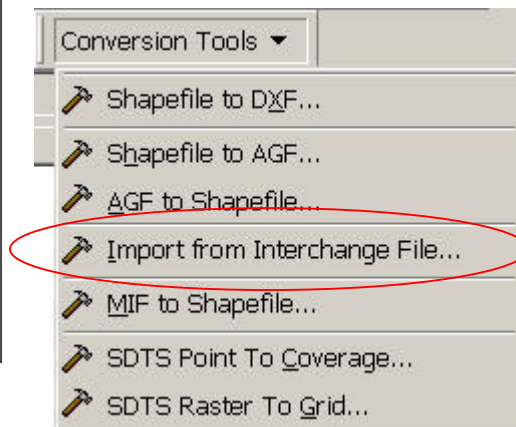# Preparing ESRI Extension e00 Files for Use in ArcView

ESRI Extension e00 files are an ARC/INFO interchange file that is used to transport coverages; INFO tables; text files, such as AML macros; and other ARC/INFO files between various machine types. An interchange file contains all coverage information and appropriate INFO table information in a fixed-length ASCII format.

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From this toolbar, select Conversion Tools > Import from Interchange file.

Coverages are stored in a folder/file structure. You do not need to create a new folder to use for the import; you can use an existing folder.

The output dataset can (and probably should) have the same name as the input file; just leave off the .e00 extension.