How to install WordPress

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Before installing WordPress...

... You need to check:

1. That your host fulfills the necessary conditions (no panic, most of them meet it).

2. That you have the skills (do not worry, it's not so difficult).

These two conditions should not be a problem, but it is wise to check it before you start.

Do you have the necessary tools?

Browsers

This seems obvious, but you need a browser to allows you to view your site and log into

the Administrator interface.

In general, we recommend instead the standards compliant browsers such as Firefox,

Opera, Safari (Mac), Google Chrome, Internet Explorer, etc.

Text editors

You must know how to use a text editor to edit the main configuration files. If you are a

Windows user, Notepad will be ok for the moment. Later you may want to change the page

templates. You can do it from the WordPress admin interface, but it is strongly recommended to

use a good text editor:

* Mac: TextWangler2, Smultron, SubEthaEdit, Taco HTML Edit, ...

* Windows: ConTEXT, TsWebEditor, Notepad++ ...

* Linux: Gedit, ...

FTP clients

You will need to use a FTP program for file transfer from your computer to the server and

possibly change the permissions.

* Mac: RBrowser (freeware), Transmit (commercial).

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* Windows: FileZilla, Smart FTP

* Linux: Gftp

How to start working

If you are a new WordPress user and do not know where to start, this article will guide you

step by step to a good start with WordPress. Remember that, if you need help, many opportunities

are available for assistance. Welcome to the fascinating world of WordPress!

After installing WordPress and completing the path step by step, you should consider

making your first installation of the plugins with WordPress Plugin Directory. This tool allows

you to search from your WordPress admin panel. Clicking on one of the search results will open

it in a new window or tab for you to have the corresponding article or subject open while you work

on WordPress. This will make your transition to WordPress much easier with all the information

at hand.

Read

Before you invest your valuable time and energy in installing WordPress, there are some

documents you should read. WordPress is an excellent product; easy to use, powerful, but it is not

necessarily the content publishing tool that suits everyone. Just like building a house, you must

use the right tool for the right action.

Make a plan

From the information you have just read, including WordPress installation instructions,

you should have a list of what you need to have and to do. If not, make that list now!

Here's what you need:

* Requirements at the Hosting checked

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* Required versions of PHP and MySQL verified

* Your username and FTP account passwords and the database of your site

* A text editor

* An FTP Client

* Your favorite web browser

It is important to make a plan for how you want to use WordPress on your site. Here are

some questions to ask you. Make a list of your answers to integrate it to your plan.

* Will you install WordPress in the root directory of your site, in a subdirectory, or do you

just make a test mini-site to ensure that WordPress is for you?

* Have you made a list of the categories of your site? You have to understand that

WordPress can only sort categories alphabetically or by their identifier (order of entry into the

form Manage > Categories, so if the display order of your categories is important to you, start by

making a list.

* Have you made a list of the pages you wish to add to your site, such as About this site,

Contact or Events?

Install WordPress

With this information and your plan, it is now time to install WordPress.

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