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WordPress Security Checklist

The checklist below is designed to take inventory of the current status of a WordPress site's current state of security, to help you identify problem areas and begin to consider solutions.

- □ You have automated daily backups of your WordPress Directories & Files.
- □ You have automated daily backups of your WordPress Database.
- \square You know, or know someone who knows how to restore from backup files if needed.
- □ You've automated restorations with a service that allows you to one-click rollback to any day in the past.
- You periodically take an additional manual 'local' backup so that you have a recent backup in more than one place.
- □ Your backups are also being backed up. (Via cloud ect..)
- $\hfill\square$ You have no Administrator users with the default username 'Admin'
- □ You've review active FTP accounts to ensure there are no rogue accounts on the server.
- □ You've updated your passwords for your WordPress database lately.
- □ You've reviewed the current Administrator Users are all required.
- □ You use a plugin to stop 'brute force' attacks.
- □ You've reviewed Google Search Console for any security issues.
- $\hfill\square$ You invest in a premium security plugin that scans and hardens.
- $\hfill\square$ You are running the latest version of your theme & plugins.
- □ You are running the latest version of WordPress.
- $\hfill\square$ You complete updates as soon as they are released.
- $\hfill\square$ You've removed unused plugins & themes.
- \Box You require strong passwords.
- □ You use a hosting company known for security.
- $\hfill\square$ You've properly configured SSL (HTTPS).
- □ You use a unique database prefix.
- $\hfill\square$ Your file and folder permissions are properly set on the server.

Please proceed to the next page to learn how to get the most value out of this

checklist and take action to start improving your site's security....

Now that you have hopefully completed the checklist, what's next?

You've now got a better idea of where your website stands in terms of security and maybe even have some ideas about possible solutions to your problems that you can get started on right now.

If not, you might need a little bit more guidance on what each of the checklist items really mean, or where you should focus your efforts.

Since you downloaded this checklist, over the coming days and weeks you will receive more valuable information via email as to how you can find solutions to the problems identified by completing this checklist.

Considering getting professional help?

Not every website security service provider is equal. Before hiring help to secure a site, you should really understand the landscape of the various providers for such services. Our guide linked below is your resource for having the most success if you are considering hiring help.



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