

## Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto

Posted by brentwilliams2 - 2011/11/16 17:33

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I currently have my master site in a subdirectory. However, I would like to move it to the root domain. I see there is one mention of the subdirectory in the config\_multisites.php file, but is there anything else I need to do to move the site?

Thanks!

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## Re: Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto

Posted by edwin2win - 2011/11/18 10:49

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YES.

You have to remove all the Symbolic Links present in all the slave sites and rebuild resave the definition of each slave site to allow JMS rebuild the link with the new master website location.

You also have to delete the "index.php" and "index2.php" present in each slave sites to allow JMS rebuild them and update the path to your new location.

This is the same procedure as in the backup/restore procedure described  
<http://www.jms2win.com/en/faq/faq-joomla-multi-sites#cat-122>

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## Re: Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto

Posted by brentwilliams2 - 2011/11/21 23:37

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Thanks Edwin, but I'm a bit confused. Let me ask step by step:

1) Within /multisites/config\_multisites.php, you must "Potentially delete the "master" cookies and master directory path."

- When I open that file, I see four main areas:

- a) defined( '\_EDWIN2WIN\_' )
- b) defined( 'MULTISITES\_MASTER\_ROOT\_PATH' )
- c) defined( 'MULTISITES\_MASTER\_COOKIE\_DOMAINS' )
- d) \$md\_hostalias = array

Which of these four sections am I supposed to remove?

2) Delete all the symbolic links present in each slaves sites "deployed directory".

- How does one accomplish this?

3) Delete the "index.php" and "index2.php" present in the root of each "deployed directory".

- I'm assuming this would /slave1/index2.php and /slave1/index.php, correct?

Thanks!

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**Re: Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto**

Posted by edwin2win - 2011/11/22 12:55

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- 1) remove or comment (b) and (c).
- 2) If you have an FTP tool or an explorer or an SSH terminal, just delete the symbolic links.
- 3) yes

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**Re: Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto**

Posted by brentwilliams2 - 2012/01/28 17:36

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Hi Edwin,  
I'm having a bit of difficulty. I migrated the site to the base domain, and most things seemed to work ok. The slave sites were intact, although the menus were messed up. I tried what you suggested, and after some troubleshooting, I think I'm actually back where I started. On the front end of the slave site, the template looks ok and the modules are all fine, EXCEPT the menus. In the admin area, most things look ok, EXCEPT the menus. So something isn't quite right.

Do you provide paid technical support so I can make sure this gets solved correctly?

Thanks,

Brent

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**Re: Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto**

Posted by brentwilliams2 - 2012/01/28 18:08

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Update: It seems that the sites are getting confused back and forth. My master site would intermittently show the menu for my slave site, and vice versa.

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**Re: Moving master site to root domain from subdirecto**

Posted by edwin2win - 2012/01/30 15:54

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If you move the master website from a location to another one, you have to verify all the slave site links to be sure that you update them with the new location.

You will have to delete the existing slave site links and rebuild them.

To rebuild the symbolic link, you just have to open the slave site in the new master location and resave its definition. This will rebuild the symbolic links.

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