4.5.2 Wordpress

Another website hosting platform

What is Wordpress?

Content management system that uses PHP and MySQL, includes features like plugins and templates

Templates are what make Wordpress popular to use (simple to implement)

- Blog templates
- Forums templates
- Store templates
- etc

How to Access Wordpress?

Depends on how you set it up

Wordpress w/ IIS:

- Check IIS Manager for your wordpress site's url binding
- Usually you can access the site with "localhost/wordpress" or "127.0.0.1/wordpress"

How To Access Wordpress Admin Panel?

Typically under "localhost/wordpress/wp-admin"

You will need to supply administrative credentials

The Admin Panel allows you to view your site's settings

Username

Password

☐ Remember Me

Log In

Lost your password?

← Back to WordPress

Admin Dashboard

what to do

- update wordpress
- manage users
- check media
- manage plugins (update, remove unnecessary ones)
- manage pages, comments, a bunch of other minor stuff

Dashboard

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Home
Updates

Kinsta Cache

📌 Posts

🖼 Media

📄 Pages

💬 Comments

📌 Appearance

🔌 Plugins

👤 Users

🔧 Tools

⚙ Settings

◀ Collapse menu

At a Glance ▲

📌 **1 Post**   📄 **2 Pages**

💬 **1 Comment**

WordPress 4.9.1 running Twenty Seventeen theme.

Activity ▲

Recently Published

Nov 9th, 7:59 am   Hello world!

Recent Comments

From A WordPress Commenter on Hello world!
Hi, this is a comment. To get started with moderating, editing, and deleting comments, please visit the Comments screen in...

All (1) | Pending (0) | Approved (1) | Spam (0) | Trash (0)

Quick Draft

Title

What's on your mind?

Save Draft

WordPress Events and News

Attend an upcoming event near you. ✏

There aren't any events scheduled near you at the moment. Wo like to organize one?

The Month in WordPress: November 2017

Akismet: Version 4.0.2 of the Akismet WordPress Plugin Is Now

WPTavern: Jetpack 5.6.1 Increases Security of the Contact Form

WPTavern: WPWeekly Episode 297 – WordCamp US 2017 Recap

Dashboard

WPMU DEV

Sites

Users

All Users

Add New

Themes

Plugins

Users Add New

All (2) | Super Admin (1)

Bulk Actions ▼ Apply

☐	Username	Name
☐	admin -Super Admin	
☐	Josh	

Change Default "admin" Username

Wordpress used to have the default Wordpress admin username be "admin." Recent updates have changed this so you can select a custom username, but many 1-click installers still set the default username to "admin"

Three ways to do this:

1. Create a new admin username and delete the old one.
2. Use the Username Changer plugin
3. Update username from phpMyAdmin
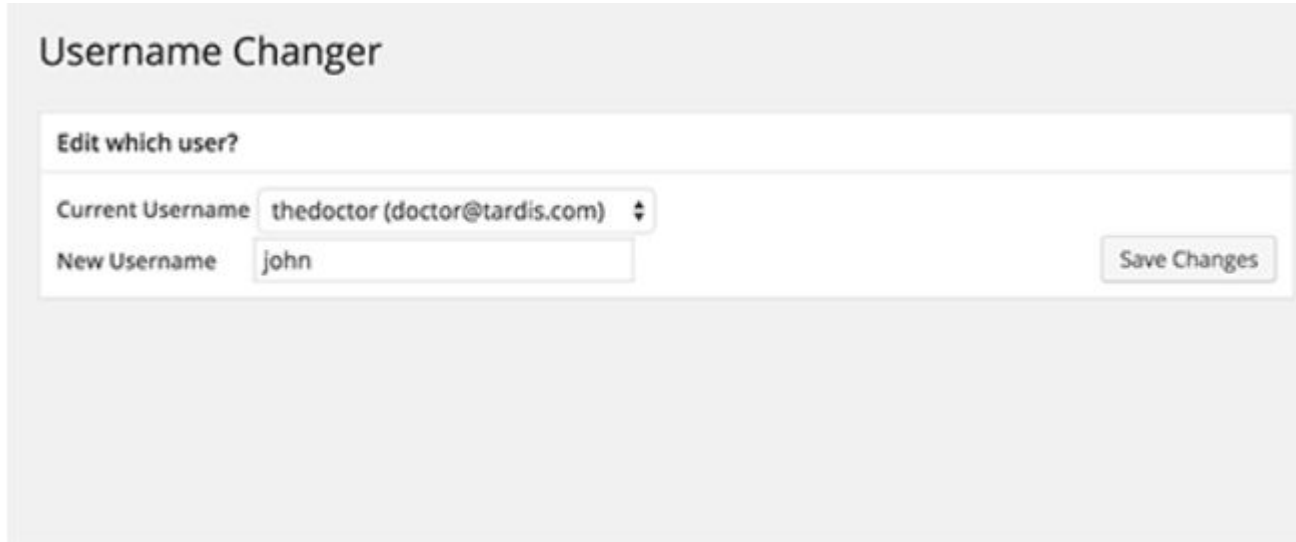
Create A New Admin Username and Delete the Old One

The easiest way is to just delete the default admin account and instead add an admin account with your desired username.

Remember to attribute all content from the default account into your new admin account when using this method
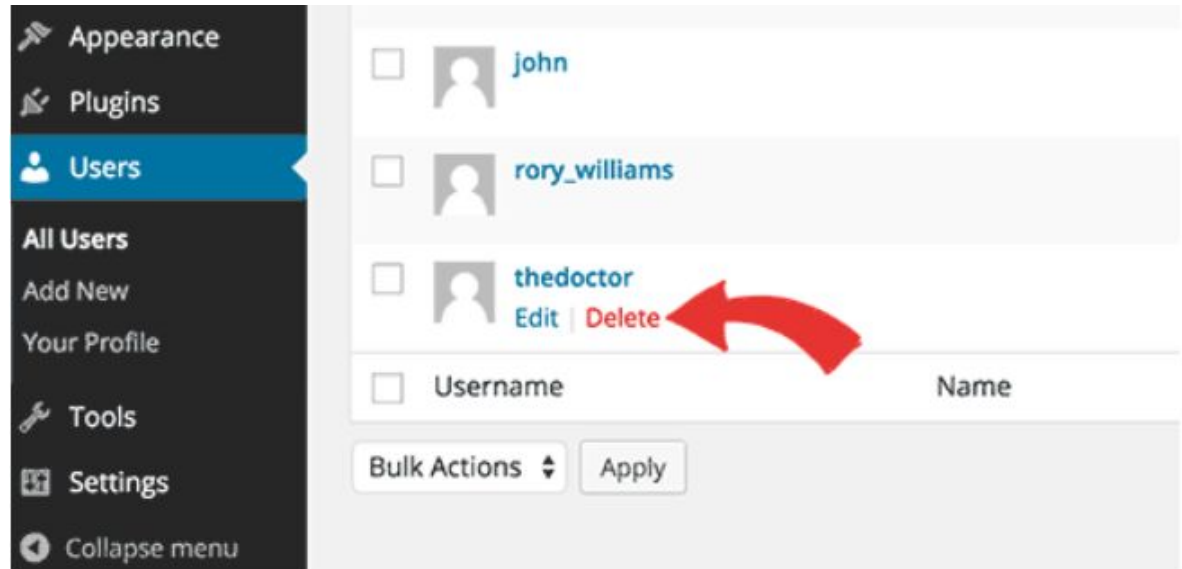
Use a Plug-in

1. Install the Username Changer plugin
2. User >> Username Changer Page

Username Changer

Edit which user?

Current Username	thedoctor (doctor@tardis.com) ⇕
New Username	john

Save Changes

Change through phpMyAdmin

You can directly change the Wordpress database through phpMyAdmin.

To do this, select the database your website is hosted in then click on wp_users. Change the user_login value for what you want the username to be and you're good to go.

Disable File Editing

This allows you to edit your theme and plugin files from the WordPress admin area. However, this can be a security risk.

This can be turned off in the wp-config.php file with the command

define('DISALLOW_FILE_EDIT', true)
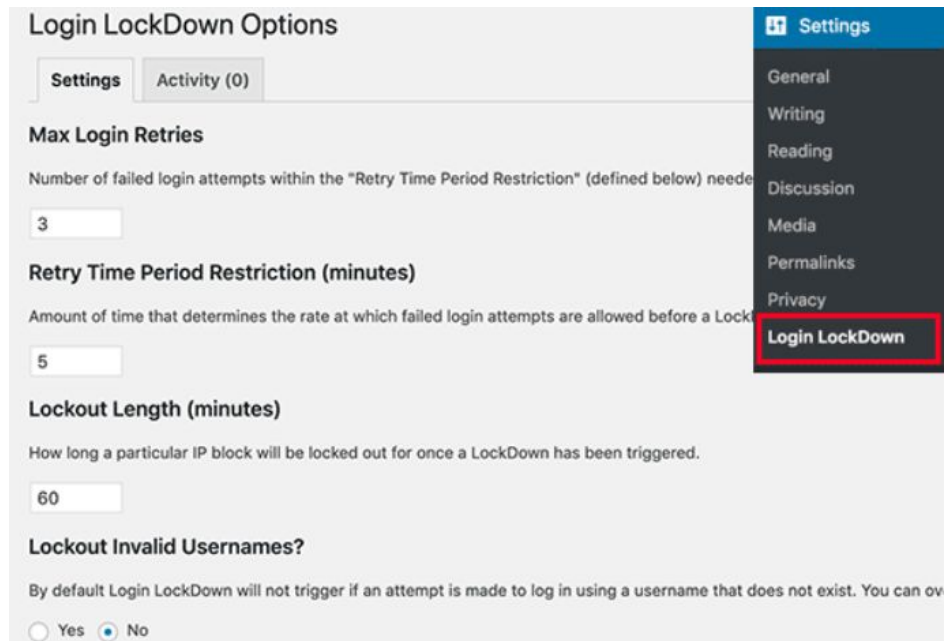
    if you see a similar line already in the file, change it

    otherwise, just add this line in and save the file

Limit Login Attempts

By default, WordPress allows users to try to login as many times as they want making it vulnerable to brute force attacks. To prevent this you can install and activate the Login LockDown plugin.

Disable Directory Indexing and Browsing

Locate the .htaccess file in your website's root directory and add the line:

Options -Indexes
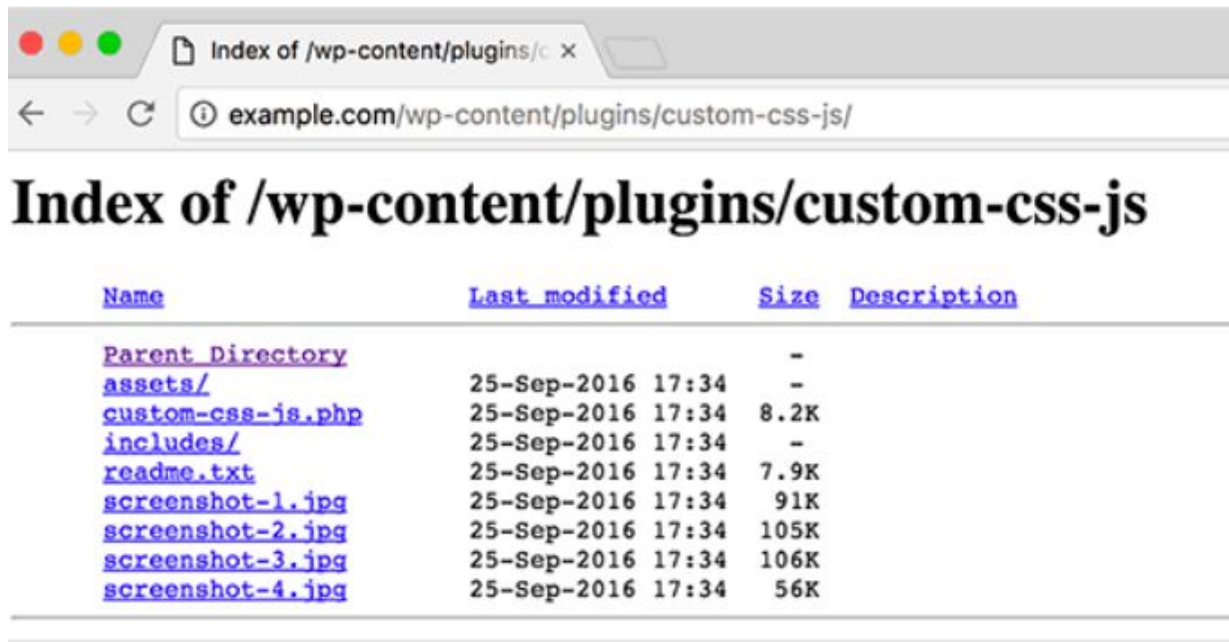
Automatically Log Out Idle Users

Sometimes logged in users can walk away from their computers for extended amounts of time posing as a security risk. To prevent this install and activate the Inactive Logout plugin.