

# Pasting and Fetching Code Snippets

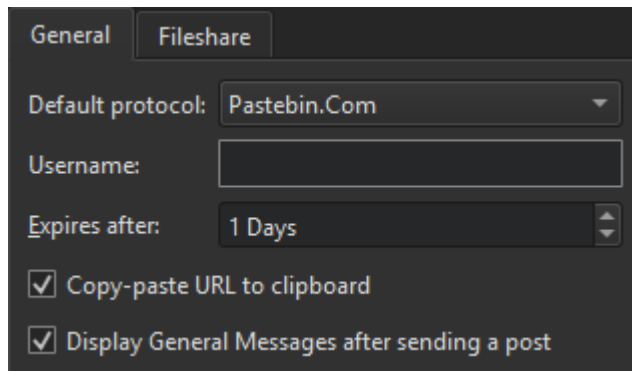
In Qt Creator, you can paste snippets of code to a server or fetch snippets of code from the server. To paste and fetch snippets of code, Qt Creator uses the following:

- > [Pastebin.Com](#)
- > [Pastecode.Xyz](#)
- > [Shared network drives](#)

## Specifying Settings for Code Pasting

To specify settings for the code pasting service:

1. Select **Edit > Preferences > Code Pasting**.



2. In the **Default protocol** field, select a code pasting service to use by default.
3. In the **Username** field, enter your username.
4. In the **Expires after** field, specify the time to keep the pasted snippet on the server.
5. Select the **Copy-paste URL to clipboard** check box to copy the URL of the post on the code pasting service to the clipboard when you paste a post.
6. Select the **Display General Messages after sending a post** check box to display the URL in [General Messages](#) when you paste a post.

Select **Files share** to specify the path to a shared network drive. The code snippets are copied to the drive as simple files. You have to delete obsolete files from the drive manually.

## Using Code Pasting Services

To paste any content that you copied to the clipboard, select **Tools > Code Pasting > Paste Snippet**.

To paste content from the [diff editor](#), right-click a chunk and select **Send Chunk to CodePaster** in the context menu.

To fetch a snippet of code from the server, select **Tools > Code Pasting > Fetch Snippet** or press **Alt+C,Alt+F**. Select the snippet to fetch from the list.

To fetch the content stored at an URL, select **Tools > Code Pasting > Fetch from URL**.

For example, you might ask colleagues to review a change that you plan to submit to a version control system. If you use the Git version control system, you can create a *diff* view by selecting **Tools > Git > Local Repository > Diff**. You can then upload its contents to the server by selecting **Tools > Code Pasting > Paste Snippet**. The reviewers can retrieve the code snippet by selecting **Tools > Code Pasting > Fetch Snippet**. If they have the project currently opened in Qt Creator, they can apply and test the change by choosing **Tools > Git > Local Repository > Patch > Apply from Editor**.

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