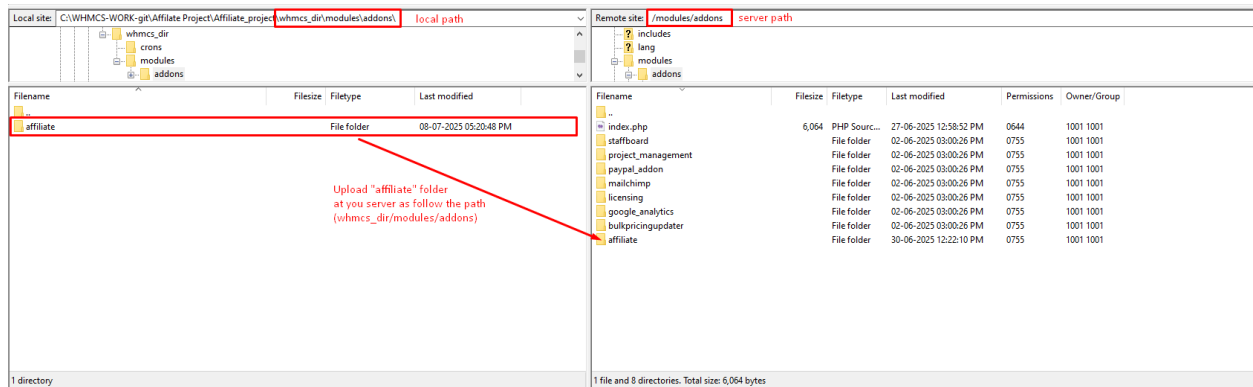# Affiliate Addon Module & Cron Job: Installation and Configuration
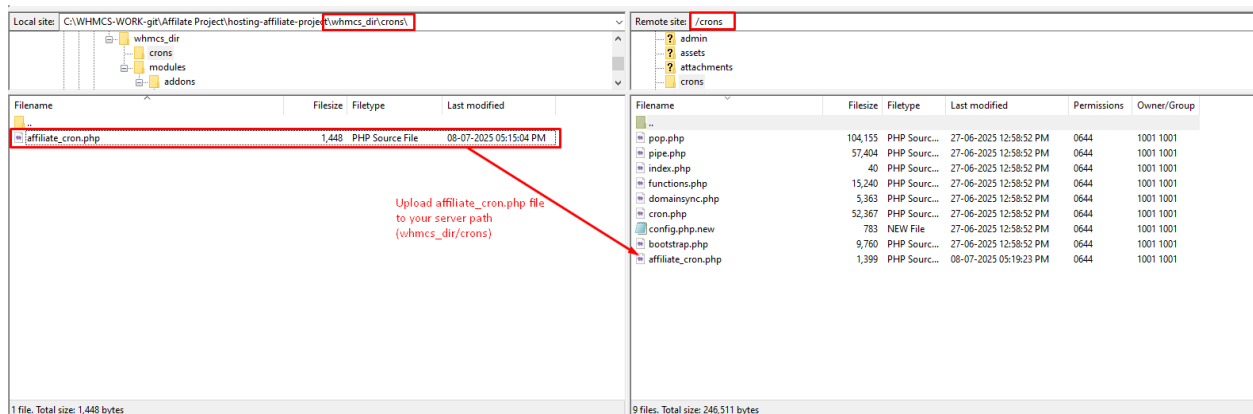
★ How to upload addon module:

1. Download the file **Affiliate_project.zip**.

2. Extract the zip file.

3. Upload the affiliate folder (from *whmcs_dir/modules/addons/affiliate*) to your server at *<whmcs_dir>/modules/addons/*.
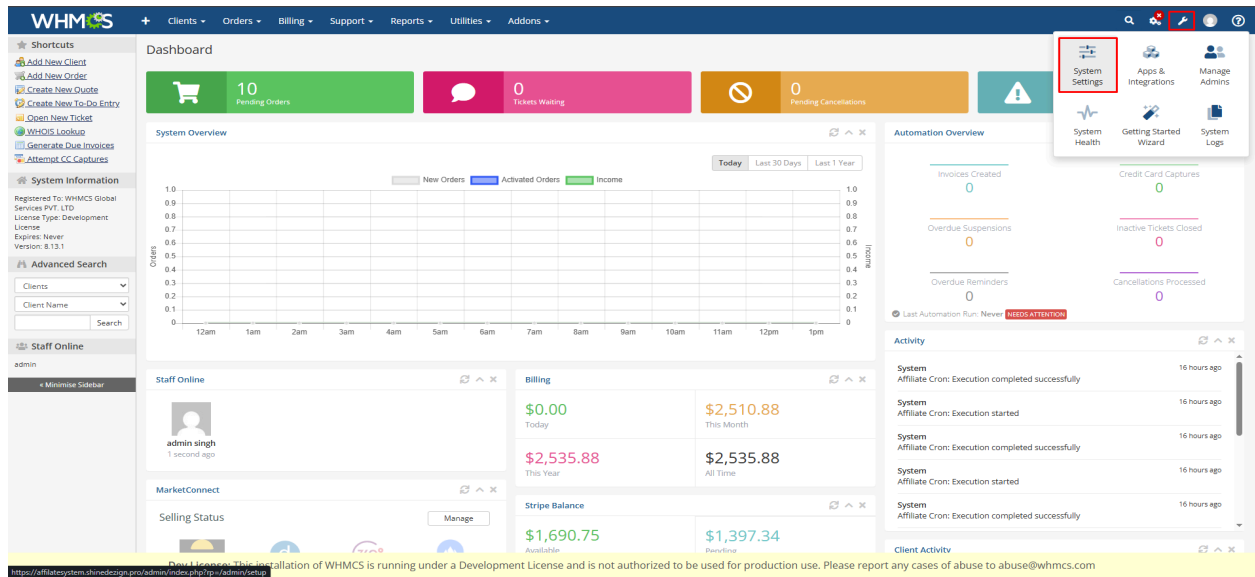

★ How to upload cron file:

1. Upload the **affiliate_cron.php** file (from *whmcs_dir/crons/*) to your server at *<whmcs_dir>/crons/*.
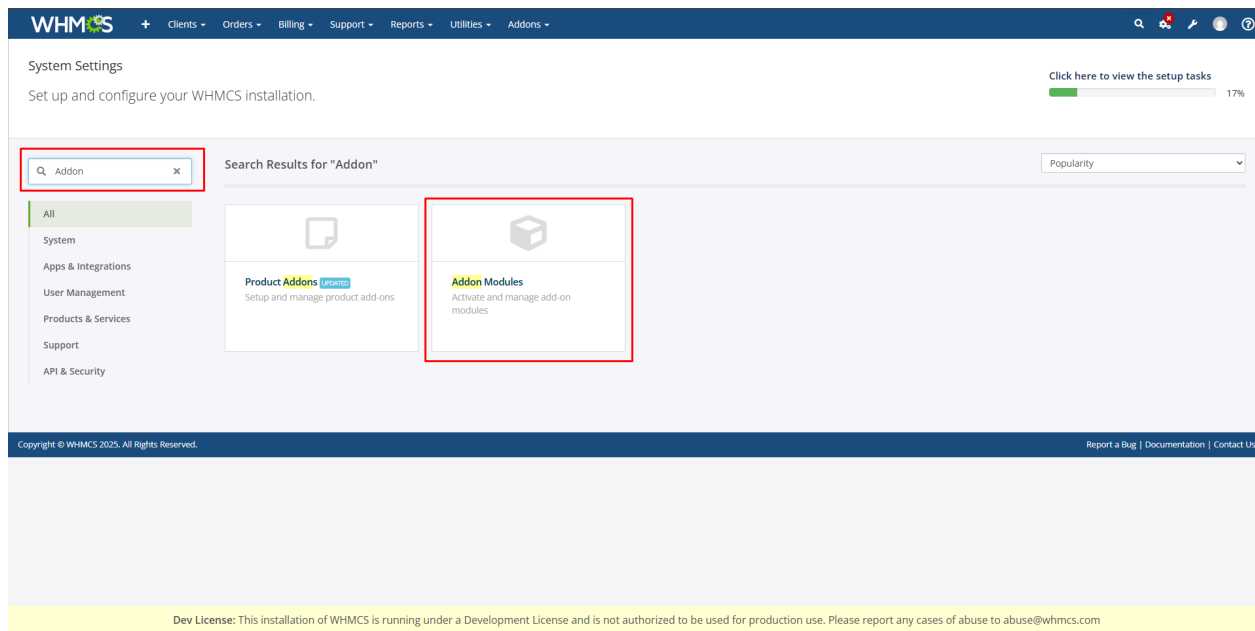
★ How to configure addon module:

1. Go to the Admin panel, click on the **System settings** > search for Addon and click on **Addon Modules.**

2. Go to the **Hosting Affiliate** and then click on the **Activate** button.

3. Click on the **Configure** button, you will see the module configurations.
- **Delete Database:** Enable this option to delete module-related database tables on deactivation.
- **Access Control:** Assign access to the addon module for users who will manage and configure it.

4. The **Affiliate addon module** has now been successfully activated and configured.

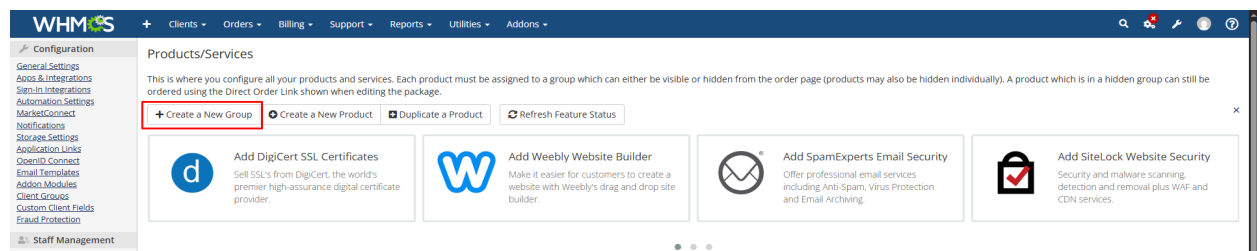*Go to the Addons > Hosting Affiliate, you will see the listing of affiliates (after activate the affiliates accounts).*

★ How Affiliates program will work:

1. Go to the **System settings** > search for products > **Products/Services**.
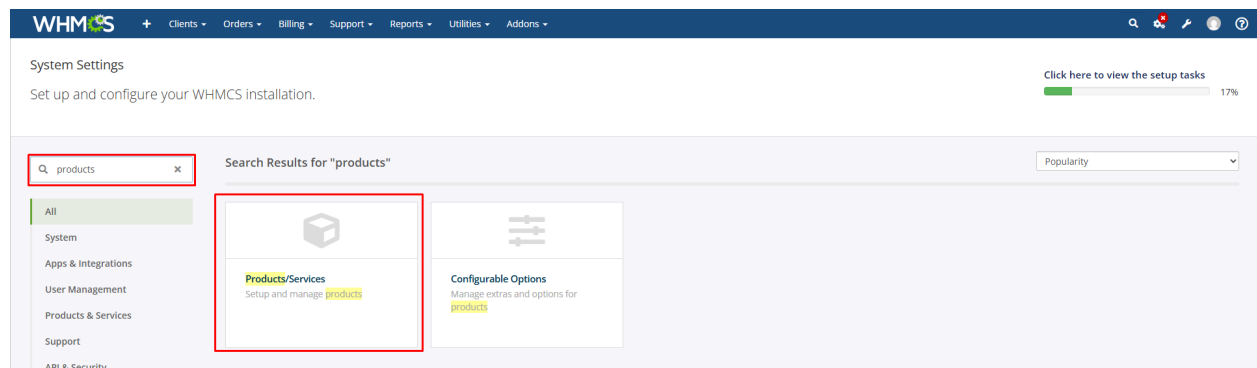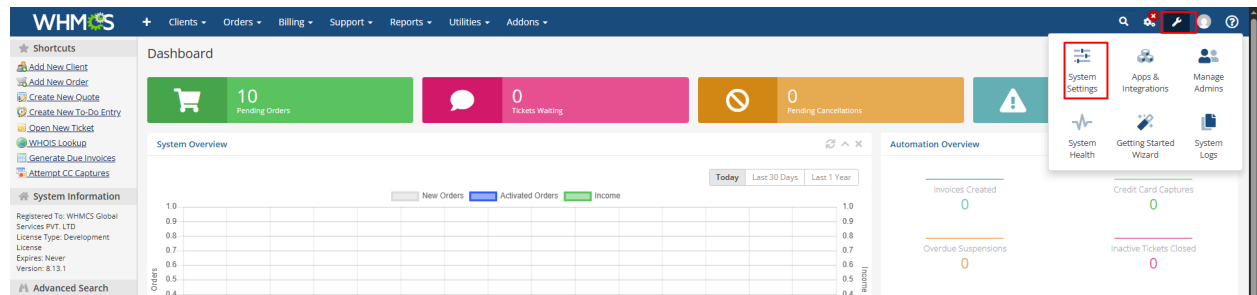
2. Click on **Create a New Group**, enter the group name (Headline and Tagline are optional), then **Save Changes** button.
After Save changes click on the **Back to Product list**.

3. Now create a new product, click on the **Create a New Product** button.

- Select the product type and product group we have recently created.
- Then enter the product name.
- Mark Created as Hidden Off then click **Continue**.

4. Now add the product details,
- Under the Details tab enter Product tagline, short description and description.
- Enter **X days**
- Go to the Pricing tab, select the **recurring billing cycle** and enter the **Monthly and Annually** setup fee and prices (You can also add the another bolling cycle prices).

☆ Now Purchase a Hosting Plan

1. Login as a client, then go to the cart page or Click on the **Services** > **Order New Services**
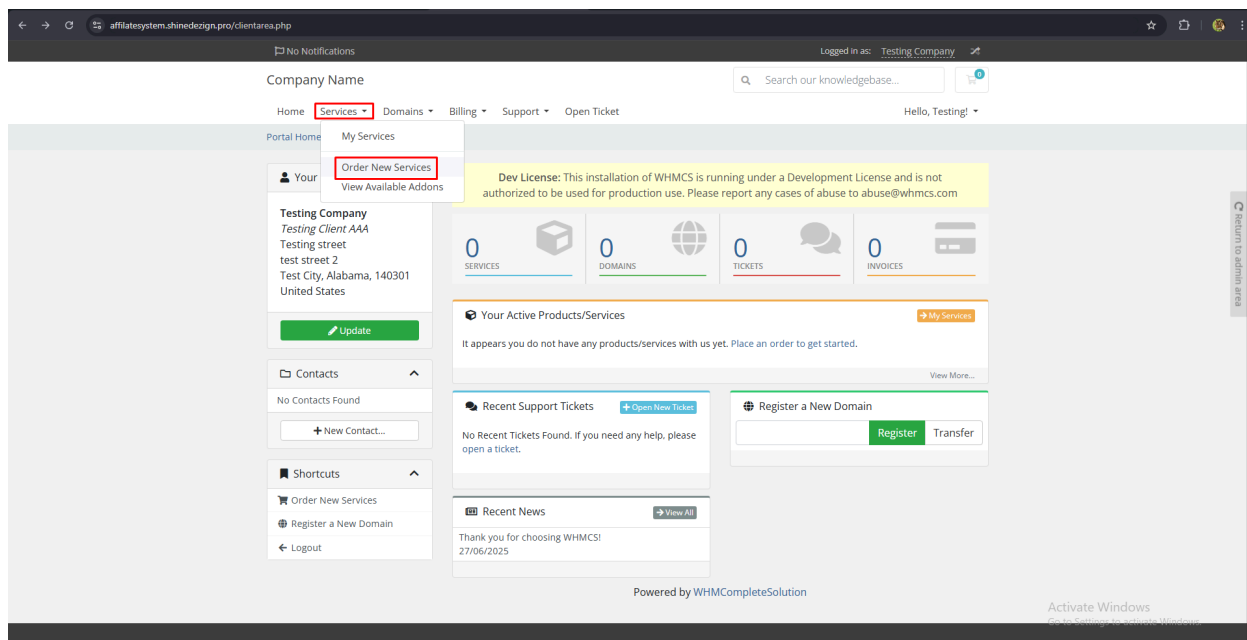
2. Select the product group and product, then click the **Order Now** button.
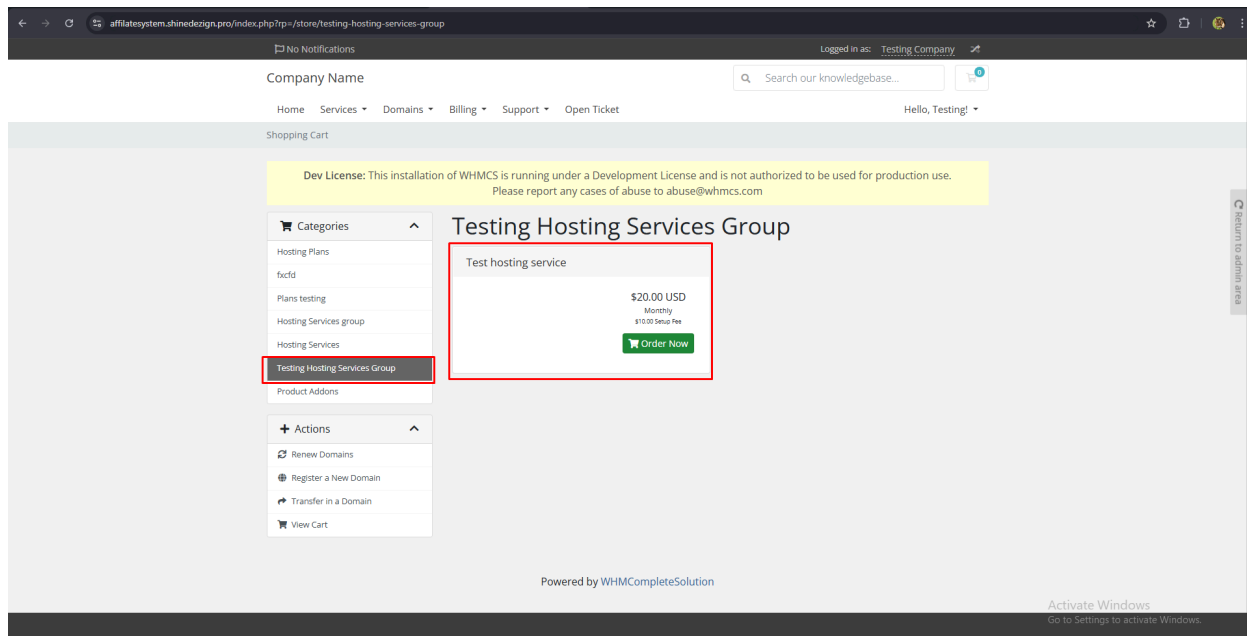
3. Then Order a new service:

- Select the **Annually billing cycle** and click on **Continue** then **Checkout** button.
- Select the account and payment method to make payment for the hosting service.

● Then click on **Complete Order**.

Your order has been placed successfully. It will be automatically accepted upon payment, or manually approved by the admin.
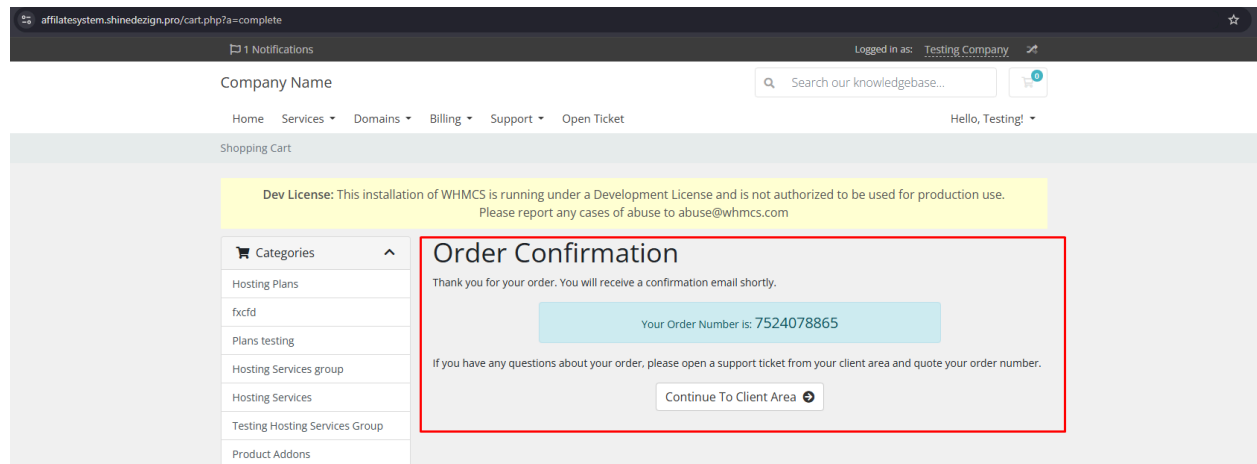
4. Now at Admin side go to the **Clients** > **View/Search Client**.
- Then, click on the client's profile who placed the order. Scroll down to view the recently ordered service.
- Click on the service, and you will see that the **Due Date** has been updated based on the **X Days** value configured for that product.
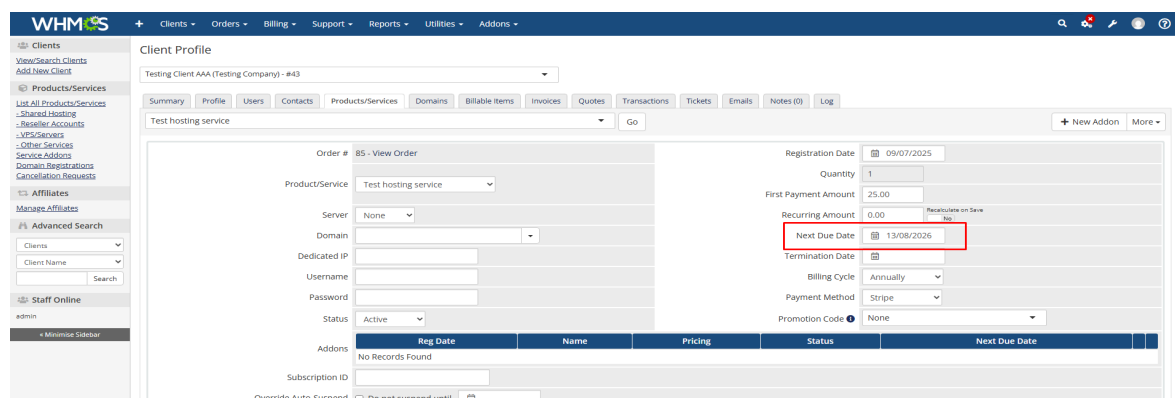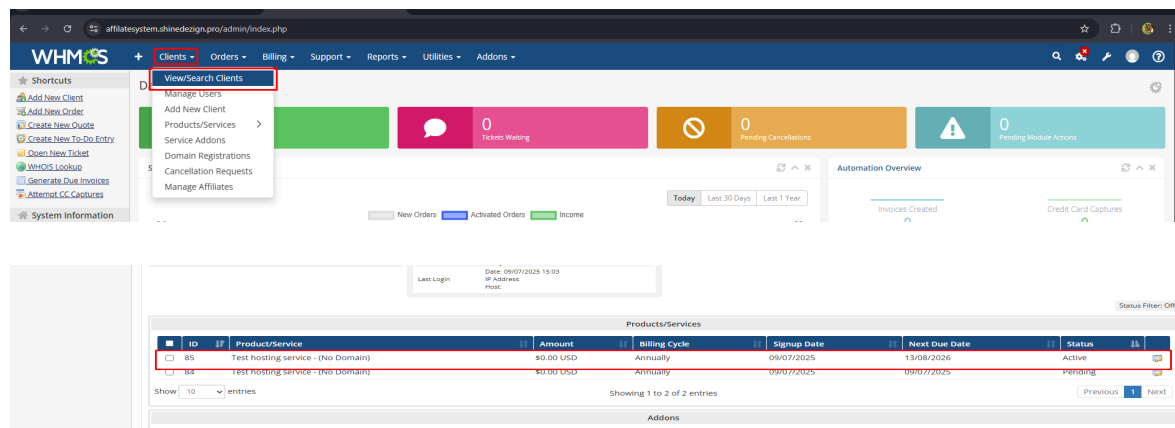
In this example, the **Next Due Date** is set to **13/08/2026**, as we entered **400 days** in the product's **X Days** field.

The **Registration Date** is today (**09/07/2025**), so normally, based on the billing cycle, the Next Due Date would be **09/07/2026**.

However, since the system detected an X Days value in the product, it added those **400 days** to the Registration Date and updated the Next Due Date accordingly.

*After the completion of the configured X Days period, the **billing cycle will automatically switch to Monthly**, and the **recurring price** will be updated based on the monthly price set for the product.*
This transition is handled automatically by the configured cron job.

☆ Activate Affiliate Program

1. Go to the Admin panel, click on the **System Settings** > **General Setting**.
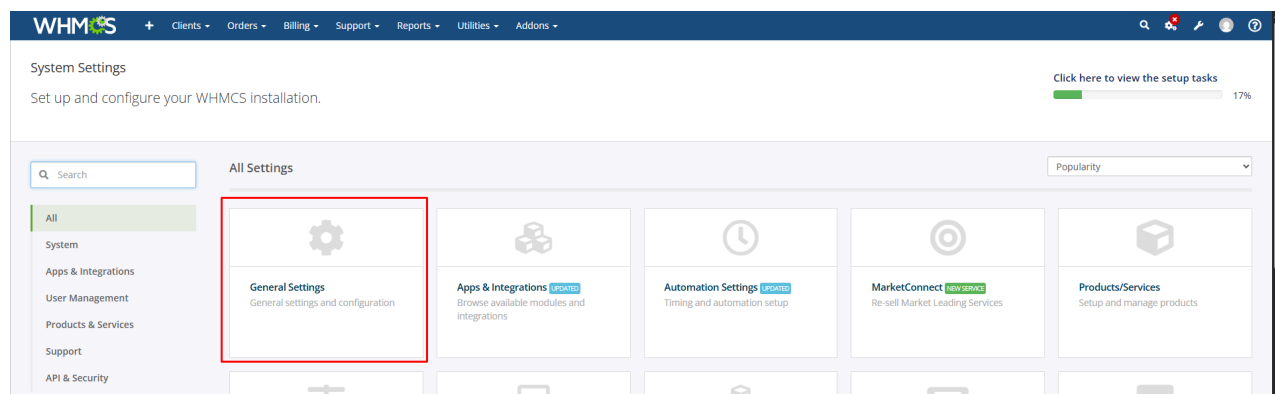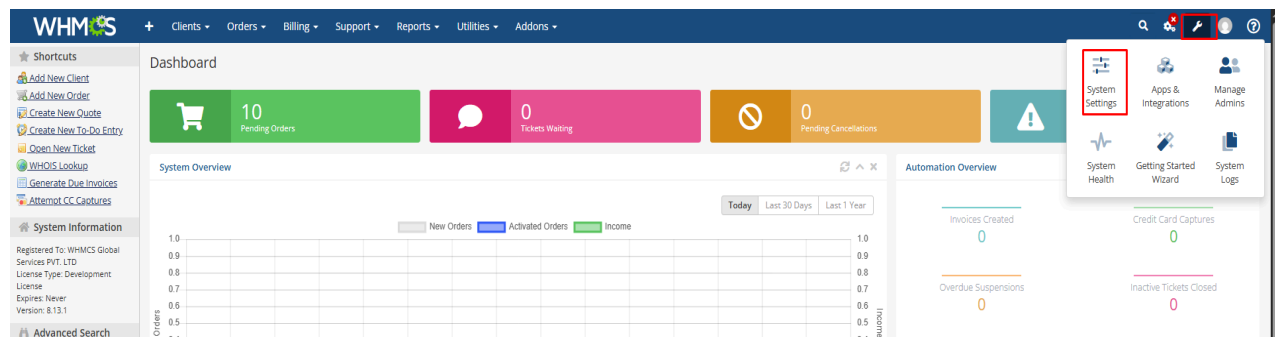
2. Click on the **Affiliate tab**, enable the Affiliate option,

- **Affiliate Earning Percentage:** Set the commission percentage here. This works automatically as per WHMCS's default affiliate system.
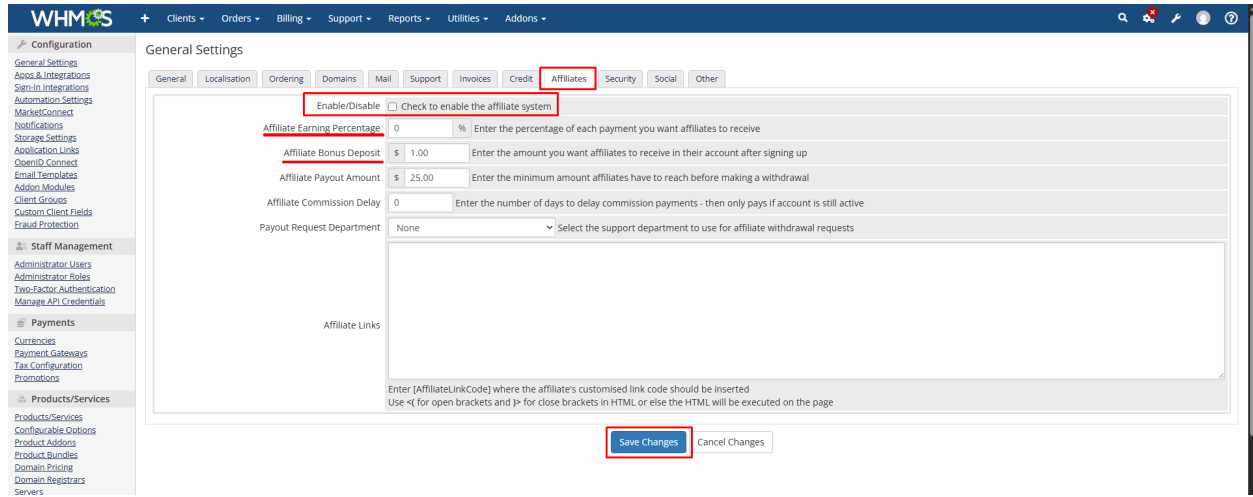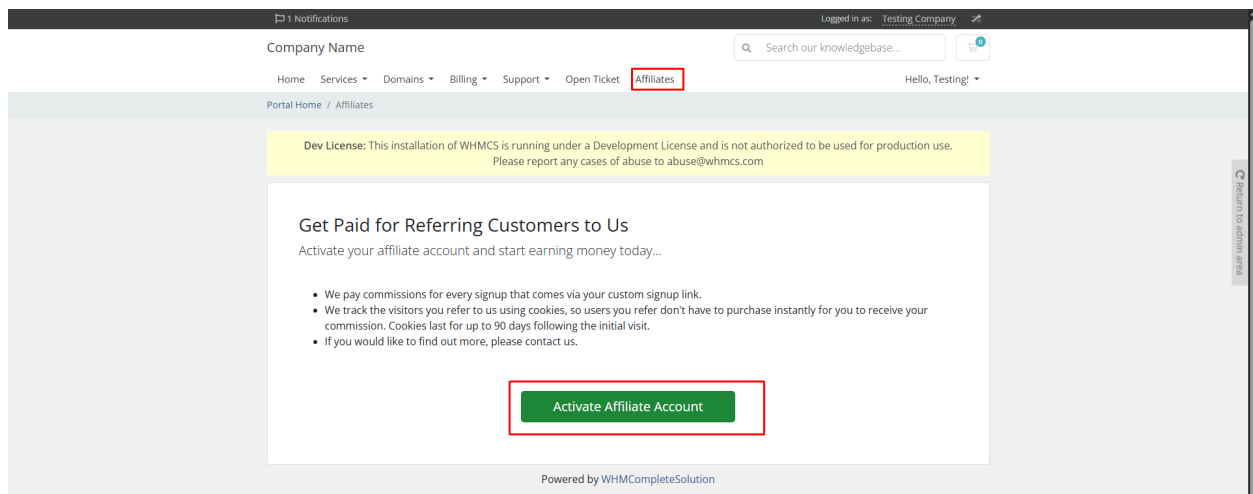 However, keep this value at **0%** since we've implemented a **custom affiliate commission program**.
- **Affiliate Bonus Deposit:** Specify the bonus amount to be credited when a client registers as an affiliate.
- **Affiliate Payout Amount:** Define the **minimum withdrawal amount** required before an affiliate can request a payout.
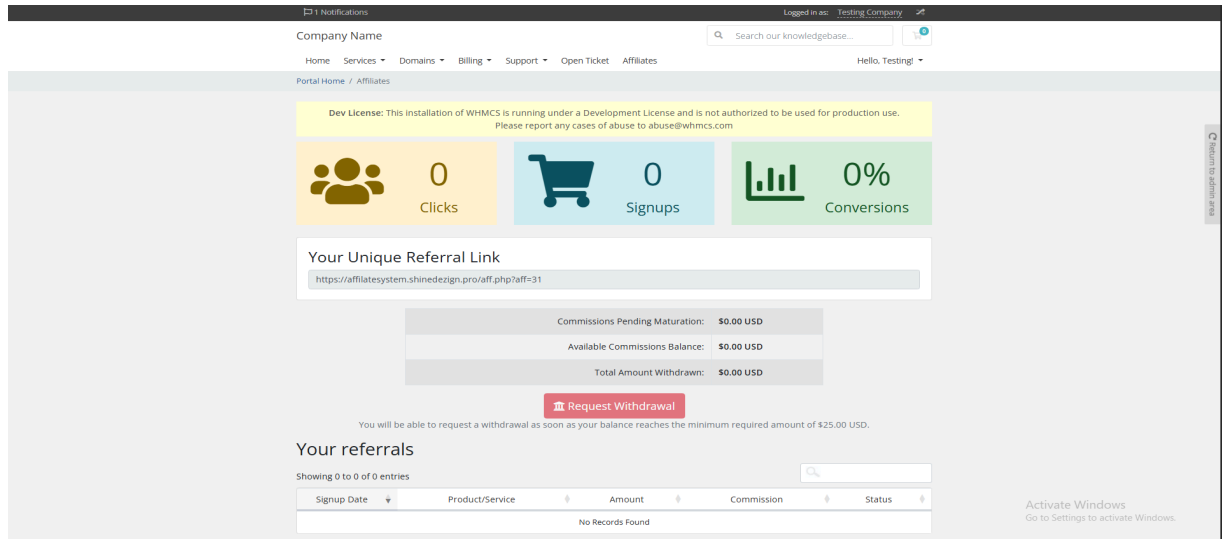

3. Clients will now see the option to activate their affiliate account, or the admin can manually activate a client as an affiliate from the admin area.
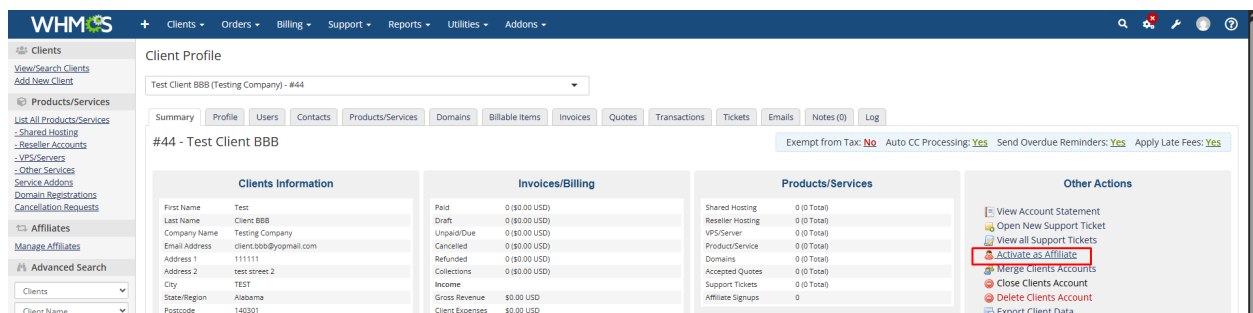
- **Client:** Go to the **Affiliate** menu then click on the **Activate Affiliate Account .**

● **Admin:** Click on the **Clients > View/Search** Client then click on the client that you want to activate as Affiliate. Then click on the **Activate as Affiliate** button

☆ Update Affiliates custom commission

1. Go to the Admin Panel and navigate to **Clients** > **View/Search Clients**. Click on the client for whom you want to set up a custom affiliate commission. Then, click on **View Affiliate Details**.
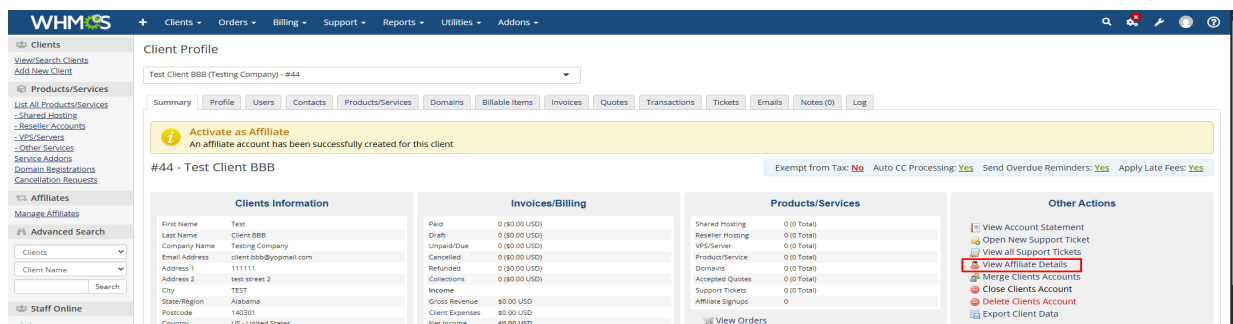
2. Now cllck on the **Custom Affiliate Tab**,
  - Enter the Number of **X days**.
  - Select the affiliate type **(fixed or percentage)**.
  - Enter the **value**.
  - Then click on the **Save Changes**.

☆ How Affiliates commission will generates

1. A client accesses the affiliate URL and places an order for a hosting service.

2. When a client places an order and completes the payment, the referring affiliate will receive the commission **only after** the service completes its free period, as defined by the product's **X Days** setting.

Once the free period ends, and if the service is still **active** with **ongoing invoice payments**, the system will check if the affiliate's configured X Days period has also passed.
 If the gap between the **registration date** and the **X Days** is completed, the commission will be **automatically credited** to the affiliate's account.

This is an example how commission will update and affiliated services will display to the affiliate.

☆ Affiliate Accounts

1. At the Admin panel go to the **Addons** > **Hosting Affiliate**, you will see the listing of affiliates.

You can also export all affiliates by clicking on the **Export All Affiliates** button.

You can also filter the affiliates by their Name, email, balance and date. And we have also made it functioning as you filtered the affiliates then it only exports the filtered affiliates.