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Overview

The Woocommerce Products Designer (WPD) is a really simple HTML5 editor which can be used to personalize logos, t-shirts, business cards, prints and any product which needs to be customized by the client before the order.

A. Installation

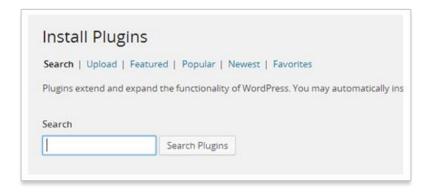
1. Requirements

- a. WordPress (minimum version: 3.6)
- b. Woocommerce (minimum version: 2.0.20)
- c. A webserver with the following extensions installed
 - o Imagick
 - o GD

2. Installation process

The zip file downloaded from CodeCanyon contains:

- The demo installation folder
- The demo installation database
- The user manual
- The plugin zip file
 - a. First, extract the archive in a folder of your choice and let's start the installation.
 - b. Go to your WordPress Admin Panel and click on Plugins > Add New to access the plugins installation screen



c. Then click on the upload link to access the plugin upload page:



d. Click on the Choose file button and select the plugin zip archive named woocommerce-products-customizer.zip in the folder extracted in the first step.



e. Click on the Install Now button to run the installation.



f. Click on the Activate Plugin link to activate the plugin.

B. Configuration

Before start using the plugin, it's mandatory to setup some options first.

1. Basic configuration

- Let's start by creating the page where the client will customize your products. Click on menu Pages > Add New
- b. Enter your page title and then click on publish.
- c. Then click on the menu WPC > Settings to the customizer settings.

2. General settings

• Customizer Page: This is the page where the product editor is located. Select the page you've created in the first step of the basic configuration.

- Parts position in cart: Allows you to define where you want to show the customized data when the user is viewing the Woocommerce cart page.
- Thumbnail column: the data will be shown in the thumbnail column.
- Name column: the data will be shown in the name column.
- Preview column: Allows you to show/hide the preview button on the customizer page.
- Save for later: Allows you to show/hide the Save for later button on the customizer page.
- Download design: Allows you to show/hide the Download button on the customizer page.
- 3. Uploads
 - File upload script: Allows you to define which upload script you want to use:
 - Custom with graphical enhancements: A custom upload script with some graphical enhancements to make it look nice. Be aware that this script can trigger some conflicts with wrongly developed themes.
 - o Normal: The normal file upload script with no graphical enhancements.
 - Allowed uploads extensions: Allows you to select which files extensions you want your users to be able to use in the editor. If not defined, all extensions will be accepted.

4. Outputs

• Output loop delay (milliseconds): Time to go through each part when trying to generate the output files. You can increase this setting when the output contains HD files or when the output is HD.

5. Products parts

The product parts are a simple but really powerful concept of the plugin.

Let's say for example that you're running a business card printing website and you want your clients to be able to personalize the front and the back view of each card, then you'll have to create 2 views (Front and Back). Or you're running a shirt personalization website and want your clients to be able to personalize the front, back, left sleeve and right sleeve of a shirt, then you'll have to create 4 parts, each corresponding to the view you want your clients to be able to customize.

Note: Every customizable product should at least have one part.

a. Manage the parts

Go to WPC > Parts to access the parts list

b. Add a new part

To add a new part, just enter the part name (space and special characters are accepted) and click on the Add Part button.

c. Edit or delete a part

To edit or delete a part, just put your mouse pointer right under the part name and you'll see the additional actions Edit and Delete.

6. Fonts

The fonts interface allows you to define which fonts you would like your clients to use when they're adding text to their designs. If you don't define any font, the system default fonts will be used.

a. Manage the fonts

To manage the fonts, go to WPC > Fonts to access the fonts list.

b. Add font

There are 2 ways to add a font:

- Google fonts: To add a Google font, just enter the font family name and the style sheet url as provided by Google Fonts and then click the Add Font button. You can also use this method for any font provider service which provide a url for the fonts style sheets.
- Custom web fonts: To add a custom web font, just enter your font family name and then click the Add Font button. This means that the font has been loaded externally by your theme or an external plugin.

Please note that there is no limit to the number fonts you can define.

7. Cliparts

The cliparts feature allows you to create one or many predefined set of pictures/vectors organized in groups so your clients could be able to use them in their designs.

a. Create a set of cliparts

Just go to WPC > Cliparts.

- Then enter the group name
- Click on the Add cliparts button to access the default WordPress media selector
- Select the desired pictures/vectors and then click on the Add cliparts button at the bottom right of the popup.
- Enter the unit price for each picture if you want to charger your clients for each picture used in their design
- Click on the publish button to save the group.

Please note that there is no limit to the number of cliparts per group or the number of group you can define.

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- a. Create a customizable product
 - Click on Products > Add Products to access the product creation screen
 - Enter your product name
 - Enter your product price

- Select the product type (only simple and variable products are supported at this time).
- Set the bounding boxes parameters if needed:
- X: Box coordinate X on the product
- Y: Box coordinate Y on the product
- Width: Box width (mandatory for rectangles)
- Height: Box height (mandatory for rectangles)
- Radius: Box radius (mandatory for circular boxes)
- Type: Box type (Rectangle or Circle)
- Border color: Box border color. Leave it empty for transparent borders.
- Click on the **Products parts** tab to access the products parts (list of products parts defined in the section 7).
 - o Click on the checkbox right after the products parts you want to use for the product you're creating.
 - Background image (not included in design): allows you to define a background image for the parts. This image won't be included in the final design.
 - Background image (included in design): allows you to define a background image for the parts. This image will be included in the final design.
 - Overlay image (included in design): allows you to define an overlay image for the parts. This image will be included in the final design.

Note: These settings are not mandatory. You can define the pictures you want to use for your product.

- Click on the Pricing rules tab to access the pricing rules
- Select your product categories if needed
 Check the Customizable Product checkbox at your right to set the product as customizable.
- Select this **product templates page** if you want your users to be able to choose a template among the ones you previously created.
- Check the Clients can design from blank if you want your clients to be able to customize this product from blank
- Check the Clients can upload their designs if you want your clients to be able to send you files without having to go through the customization process.
- Click on the **Publish** button to save your product.

9. Customize a product

Once a product has been set as customizable, there are 2 ways to customize it:

- From the shop page (simple products only): a Customize button will appear under the Add to cart button. A click on it will lead the user the editor page with the product data already loaded.
- From the product page: a Customize button will appear under the Add to cart button. A
 click on it will lead the user the editor page with the product data already loaded. If the
 product is variable, make sure you select the options before clicking the Customize
 button.

Note: This only works for Woocommerce valid themes. If your theme is a custom coded one, you may not be able to see the buttons.

10. Display customizable products

You can display the customizable products by using the shortcode [wpc-products cat='My category' products="1,2" cols=3]

With:

- My category: The category to display
- 1, 2: The ID of the products you want to display
- 3: The number of columns to display

Note: None of these parameters is mandatory. You can use one or all of them. Just remember that the data to display will match all used parameters.

11. Access the user ordered designs

Once a client order a custom design, Woocommerce saves the order and the custom design in the back. To access a custom design:

- Click on Woocommerce > Orders to access the orders management page.
- Click on the custom order you want to access the order details page
- Click on the Download custom design button to download the zip containing the user's custom designs.