

## Creating New Articles



To create a new article, go to the article center and click either on the {IMAGE:../img/button/add\_11x11.gif} symbol or in the left navigation on "new article". On the page that appears, you can enter the basic information for the new article:

### Field descriptions

If you clicked on "new article", then here you can use the pull-down menu to select the structure level in which the article is to appear.

If you clicked on the {IMAGE:../img/button/add\_11x11.gif} symbol to add this article, then the appropriate structure level is pre-selected.

You can still change the structure level if you'd like, by using this pull-down menu.

category:

If you want display an existing article twice at your site, fill out the field with the article id of this article. You find the article id always in the article information behind the category in brackets **[ID:XXX]**. Also you can get the ID while move the mouse over the following symbol

Alias ID (since ver. 1.2.5): The main title of the article.

article title: With the option "hidden" you can suppress the appearance of the title for visitors to the website.

begins: A subtitle for the article.

...ends: Constrain the publication of the article to within a certain period of time. Indicate (optional): the time in each case in the following form: "2004-05-01 12:0:0" for noon on the 1st of May 2004.

redirect to: Automatically redirect the viewer to another url (does not open a new browser window)

(optional): when the article is opened. For example, you can call an external address (e.g. <http://www.google.com/>) or you can call a page within your website using either an absolute or relative address (e.g. "index.php?directlink"). We recommend to use the [{ SITE }](#) tag for redirections.

Keywords are found by the local search function within the website. This is useful if there is a keyword you would like to have associated with an article, in the case where the text of the article does not already contain that keyword . Here you can customize the cache function for each article. Uncheck this box and your article will not be included while using the inbuild site search.

**Status:**

In order for visitors of the website to be able to see the article, it must be set to both "visible" and "public". These designations also appear in the article center as and symbols, adjacent the article's title (see also the section "the article center" further above).

visible /  
public:

TIP: If you add a new article, the system offers to keep the article both visible and public; uncheck these if you do not wish for the article to be visible, in case you are unable to complete the article during this session and don't want visitors to be able to see the unfinished article.

Sitemap: Uncheck this box and the article will not be displayed in the sitemap

Nachdem Sie Ihre Einstellungen vorgenommen haben, bestätigen Sie diese mit „Neuen Artikel erstellen“.



Now you see an overview of your settings, along with the option to create an article summary and assign article ownership.

**summary:** (optional): A summary of the article. This appears in article lists (e.g. the search results) and as an introduction to the article in the full article presentation. The look of this field varies greatly depending on the type of browser being used, and unfortunately does not function properly in all browsers. There is a toolbar at the top of this field that is similar to those found in common word-processors, and it works the same way. For instance, you can click on the “B” button in order to initiate bold-face text.

#### **template article listing / display full article (optional):**

Here you can choose a template for article and summary. Choose for a test the sample.tmpl in the dropdown menus. You will find the template for article listing in `/phpwcms_template/inc_cntpart/articlesummary/list` and for the full article `/phpwcms_template/inc_cntpart/articlesummary/article`.

**image (optional):** Here the name of the selected image is indicated. This image will appear alongside the article summary. You can select and/or exchange the picture with the following buttons:

Click, in order to open the phpWCMS image browser (you can find more information on this in “the phpWCMS browser” section, further down) and select an image.

Click, in order to remove the currently selected image.

**max. width/max. height (optional):** Here you can specify maximum width and/or height of the image. If the actual image is larger than the maximum dimensions you

specify, then the image is automatically resized accordingly, whereby the proportions remain intact. If you leave either or both of these fields empty, phpWCMS uses the maximum dimension(/s) of the image, while maintaining proportionality.

**click enlarge (optional):** With this option you can indicate whether the visitor can click on the image to open a view of the full-size image in a pop-up window.

**caption (optional):** Here you can enter a caption (a description of the image, for example), which will appear below the image.

**rendering (optional):** Check this if you do not wish the summary to be displayed at the beginning of the full presentation of the article (for instance, if the summary is more of a synopsis than an introduction).

**article owner:** With this pull-down menu you can assign ownership of the article. Only the article's owner or an administrator can edit an existing article. Unless you choose another owner, you are the article's owner by default.

**author (optional):** If the author of the article is someone other than yourself, you may attribute authorship to the appropriate party in this field.

**cache (optional):** setup the cache timeout can be from 1 minute up to 1 month. check the box if you don't want to use the cache for the specified article. standard mena the conf.inc.php value will be used!

**search (optional):** check the box and the search function will exclude the content while use the search

**status (optional):** Here you can review the settings you've chosen regarding the visibility of the article to viewers. Remember that in order for visitors of the Website to be able to see the article, it must be set to both "visible" and "public". These designations also appear in the article center as and symbols, adjacent the article's title (see also the section "the article center" further above).

**sitemap (optional):** box unchecked the article will be displayed into the sitemap.

After you've reviewed your settings and have optionally provided summary details, confirm these with "update" or "Save & close" to discard all changes press "Cancel",

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Towards the top of the screen you see a summary of the most important settings of your new article. In addition the following symbols appear:

- Edit the article basis information.
- Indicates that the article is invisible to visitors of the website
- Indicates that the article is visible to visitors of the website
- Delete this article

Articles, like already described above, contain content as well as the rules for how you want that content presented. This content may be comprised of text, pictures, links and other components of a web page. In phpWCMS you can join blocks of content just as you would join components, in order to create the desired article.

You can add blocks of content by using the pull-down menu in the lower section of the page. Simply select the type of content you wish to create and if the browser does not forward you automatically, just click on "ADD content part".

You are able to choose from the following types of content, herein referred to as 'content-parts':

**plain text**: Create a plain text paragraph including an optional title and subtitle.

**html**: With this component you can add pure HTML code to your article in order to accomplish special tasks, such as implementing an imagemap or starting an external script.

**WYSIWYG HTML**: You can also place HTML code within the article using this component, and can edit it directly or indirectly by switching between HTML and design mode. (functions only in Windows Internet Explorer and in Mozilla Firefox).

**code**: This is a special text module, which is designed for the presentation of sample code, and will print the content in a literal fashion (will not execute code), using a uniform-width font.

**text w/ image**: Create a plain text paragraph with an accompanying image. For the presentation of several images, use following option.

**images**: Create a plain text paragraph with multiple accompanying images.

**list (table)**: Create a simple bulleted list.

**list**: Create a multi-level (indented levels) bulleted list.

**link & e-mail**: Create a link to a Web or e-mail address, with optional 'specify target'.

**link list**: Generate a list of links to Web or e-mail addresses.

**link article**: Create a link to another article on the website.

**article menu**: Generate a list consisting of links to each of the articles from any one structure level of the website.

**multimedia**: Create a multimedia object (video, audio or Flash).

**file list**: Generate a list of one or more links to file(/s), which visitors can download.

**e-card**: Allow visitors to send image greetings via e-mail.

**e-mail form**: Create a form for e-mail, through which the visitor can send a message directly to the recipient, in order to send, for example, an order or an inquiry.

**newsletter**: This component does not yet function as of version 1.1-RC4 of phpWCMS.

In the future, the component will allow the visitor the option of subscribing or unsubscribing to newsletter deliveries.

**[search](#)**: This component presents a search field on the web page, which gives the visitor the ability to search the website.

**guestbook / comm**: Create a customizable guestbook function.

**sitemap**: Generates a sitemap.

**bid**: This component allows visitors to place bids on an item.

**ext. content**: Inserts the contents of a file or url

**rollover images**: Creates a row or column of thumbnails, along with a large representation of whichever thumbnail the mouse is currently rolling over. <sup>^TOP</sup>

**URL**: [http://www.phpwcms-docu.de/index.php?creating\\_articles](http://www.phpwcms-docu.de/index.php?creating_articles)