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Before performing an update you should take your site offline by replacing the index.php file with a static one.

Step 1: Update your CodeIgniter files[**¶**](#30j0zll)

Replace all files and directories in your *system/* directory.

Note

If you have any custom developed files in these directories, please make copies of them first.

Step 2: Update your index.php file (optional)[**¶**](#1fob9te)

We’ve made some tweaks to the index.php file, mostly related to proper usage of directory separators (i.e. use the DIRECTORY\_SEPARATOR constant instead of a hard coded forward slash “/”).

Nothing will break if you skip this step, but if you’re running Windows or just want to be up to date with every change - we do recommend that you update your index.php file.

*Tip: Just copy the ``ENVIRONMENT``, ``$system\_path``, ``$application\_folder`` and ``$view\_folder`` declarations from the old file and put them into the new one, replacing the defaults.*

Step 3: Remove ‘prep\_for\_form’ usage (deprecation)[**¶**](#3znysh7)

The [Form Validation Library](http://docs.google.com/libraries/form_validation.html) has a prep\_for\_form() method, which is/can also be used as a rule in set\_rules() to automatically perform HTML encoding on input data.

Automatically encoding input (instead of output) data is a bad practice in the first place, and CodeIgniter and PHP itself offer other alternatives to this method anyway. For example, [Form Helper](http://docs.google.com/helpers/form_helper.html) functions will automatically perform HTML escaping when necessary.

Therefore, the *prep\_for\_form* method/rule is pretty much useless and is now deprecated and scheduled for removal in 3.1+.

Note

The method is still available, but you’re strongly encouraged to remove its usage sooner rather than later.

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