

# Getting Started

## With InovaCode's .Net MVC5 User Portal Starter Kit

Follow these instructions to update the website configurations and get the user portal functioning with your database and SMTP server.

1. Open the solution in Visual Studio 2013
2. Open the CommonObjects.cs file in the CodeLib project located in the Common folder and complete the following:
  - Change the Company Name. Replace value for COMPANY\_NAME
  - Set your email settings. Replace values for NOTIFY\_EMAIL, SUPPORT\_EMAIL, EMAIL\_PASS
  - Set your URL settings. Replace values for SITE\_PROD\_URL, SITE\_URL
    - Note: While running in localhost, you only need to set the {port} on SITE\_URL.
3. SMTP Email Sender
  - If you are using Google Apps for sending mail, then you're good to go. If you're using a different SMTP server, then make the appropriate changes in the SmtpClient settings in the Email Sender class: CodeLib/Common/Email/EmailSender.cs
4. Update the Web.config to add your connection strings
  - Open up the root Web.config file in the UserPortal MVC project.
  - In **both** connection strings “UserPortal” & “Entities” replace these placeholders: {serverIpOrName}, {DatabaseName}, {DbUserName}, {Password}
5. Run the SQL script
  - First create a database called “UserPortal” on your local or remote SQL Server.
  - In Visual Studio's Query Window or in SQL Server Management Studio, run the SQL script provided with the starter kit. File Path: SQL/UserPortal.sql
    - Note: this script includes all the tables, indexes, foreign keys, static data, & stored procedures need to run the starter kit application.
6. Run the application in Visual Studio
  - Register a new user for yourself. (if your SMTP and email settings are correct, you will receive a registration email with a link to confirm your email address)
    - Notice in the database that new records have been created in the AspNetUsers and AppUser tables.

- Run the following SQL statement to add yourself to the Admin role
  - `Insert Into dbo.AspNetUserRoles (UserId, RoleId) Values (1, 1)`
- Now you should see the “Admin” link in the site menu where you can manage users and roles.



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