HTML Blocks Module

User Guide: Installation and Configuration

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I. License

Thank you for choosing and buying the "*HTML Blocks*" module!

The "*HTML Blocks*" module for the Prestashop solution has the same license as all the modules available on the website. Therefore, this module can be used only once for a Prestashop online store.

If you use this module on several online shops using the solution Prestashop, please pay the license as much time that it will be necessary by buying this module.

The "*HTML Blocks*" module being compatible with the multi-shop mode, if your store is configured with this system, you don't need to purchase licenses for each of your stores. So, a single license is required for all your shops.

II. Introduction

2.1 Background

The "*HTML Blocks*" module proposes to improve the modularity of your Prestashop website by adding HTML/CSS content on your website easily and quickly. This allows the merchant to have access to an interface to change / add / remove specific content.

With the "*HTML Blocks*" module, each content block can be displayed on a configurable period, but also for currencies, countries or particular groups. Thus, you can target your customers and offer personalized and current content.

2.2 Purpose of this document

This document is designed to describe the installation and configuration of the "*HTML Blocks*" module, developed by the Uplight Company as a module for Prestashop online store solution.

2.3 Has who is intended this document?

This document applies to all persons having an online shop with Prestashop solution (or wishing to put one in place) and acquired the "*HTML Blocks*" module. This person will then make a full use of the features that offers this module.

III. Features

The "*HTML Blocks*" module allows you to add content blocks on a PrestaShop store. All blocks are then listed on a dedicated page in the backoffice to be easily configurable and modifiable.

The "*HTML Blocks*" module displays the content in HTML5 draft. Thus, the user is free to display its content with the shape he wants. In addition, a CSS editor allows you to add a style to each block.

Finally, the "*HTML Blocks*" module also allows you to restrict the display of blocks at a time, a group of visitors and a currency.

The main features of this module are:

- Creating an unlimited number of blocks via "Create Block" in the backoffice
- Changing blocks CSS styles
- Management of exceptions display (pages exceptions)
- Multi-shop capability
- For each block :
    o Block title
    o Setting the block content
    o Block link
    o Setting the Hook on which the block is displayed
    o Setting the display restriction by:
        ▪ A start date
        ▪ An end date
        ▪ A selection of currencies
        ▪ A selection of groups
    o Ability to disable the block

IV. Module installation

4.1 Requirements

Being developed for the Prestashop solution, the "*HTML Blocks*" add-on requires a fully functional online store based on this system.

This module has been tested and works perfectly on Prestashop 1.5.2, 1.5.3.1, 1.5.6, 1.5.6.2, 1.6.0.4, 1.6.0.5, 1.6.0.6, 1.6.0.8, 1.6.0.9, 1.6.1.0, 1.6.1.1, 1.6.1.2, 1.6.1.3 and the 1.6.1.5 version (the last official version at the time of this writing).

In order to install and configure this module, it must obviously be have access to the "Administration" section of the shop. If the user rights management is in place, make sure to have access to the tab "Modules" of the administration area.

4.2 Reminders

The Prestashop solution is based on a modular system which allows you to add additional functionality, through an interface dedicated to this. The "*HTML Blocks*" module uses this system and so, use the same installation way as any other module.

4.3 Installation
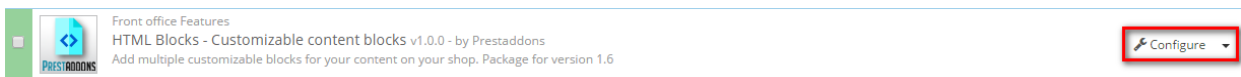
The Prestashop solution offers two ways to load a module:

- From the "Modules" tab of the admin area page:
    - o Click on the 'Add a new module' button then select the "*htmlblocks* .zip" file provided.
- From the files tree of your Prestashop website:
    - o Unzip the "*htmlblocks* .zip" file and upload the "*htmlblocks*" folder in the "modules" directory of your installation.

V. Module settings

5.1 Main settings

On the "Modules" page in your back office, look for the "HTML Blocks" module, or by using the search function of the "Modules" page by typing the name "HTML Blocks" (the first 3 letters should be sufficient for the system) or by unfolding the "Front Office functionalities".

The line of « HTML Blocks » module appears then:

Click on the "Configure" button brings up a list of all block:

This page display all the blocks that was created for the site, a search bar is automatically added to a certain number of blocks to facilitate navigation.
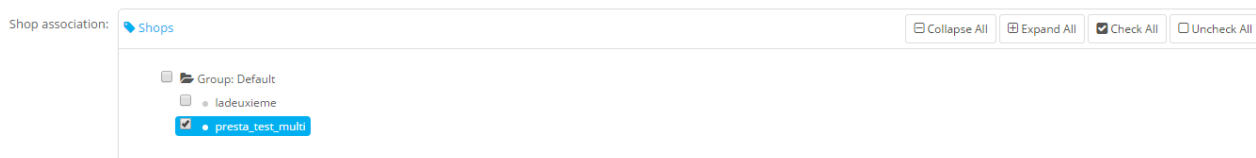
Each line can change the position of the block with a drag and drop and you can edit or delete the block via a drop-down list.

5.2 Outils

On top right several icons provide access to other features of the modules.

- A "Create Block" icon displays the block creation page. Several values can be modified:
    - the title: displayed on front office
    - the content: wrote in HTML or in text, corresponds to the block body
    - the link: allows to make a block clickable
    - the link title: only for SEO purpose if the link is filled
    - if the link should be opened into a new window or not
    - the hook: place where the block is displayed
    - if the block is to be displayed (active)
    - a display period with a start date and an end date: the block will be displayed only if the current date corresponds to the period
    - restrictions for countries, currencies and visitor groups: the block will be displayed only if this parameters corresponds to visitor information.

- A "Configure CSS" icon displays a page for changing the style of the different blocks. The list of all the blocks created is displayed. By clicking on a block a CSS editor appears. Only use class and id that you have set for your block.

- An "Exceptions management" icon allows you to add on each blocks, a list of pages on which the block will not be displayed.

- A "Support" icon is available. This section only provides access to the module documentation, send an email to our team in charge of the module support, or view information about the Copyright.

When this module is installed to a multi-boutique website, a browser window appears for the block creation page and parameter for selecting the shops to which the action will be associated.

For more information, refer to the sections "Additional Information" and "Support" of this document.

VI. Additional information

6.1 Useful files

For layout changes, "static.css" CSS file are at your disposal in the /modules/htmlblocks/views/css/ directory.

For performance reasons, the "htmlblocks-*s-1.css*" file is automatically generated by the module. This file should not be edited by hand. If you are using the "multi-shop" mode, the module will generate one CSS file for each shop (*e.g.: htmlblocks-s-1.css, htmlblocks-s-2.css…*).

VII. Support

Our team did its best to develop the "*HTML Blocks*" module. Despite the many tests that we were able to do so, some bugs, unknown at the present time, can be presents in this application.

In order to develop this module and provide a quality service, we provide full support for our creations.

Don't hesitate to contact us via the Prestashop Addons Plateform.

You can use this email address to tell us of any dysfunction, ask for more information, or simply give your opinion on the future developments of this module. We will answer you as quickly as possible.

Thanks for using the "*HTML Blocks*" module for Prestashop solution and good sales!