Migrating from vBulletin Cloud to the Standard Software Package.

In order to migrate from the vBulletin Cloud offerings to your own hosted solution please follow these steps.

1. Purchase a vBulletin 5 Connect license and any addons that you wish.
2. Sign into your Cloud Forum’s Admin Control Panel and turn off your cloud site by visiting “Settings -> Options -> Turn your forums on/off”
3. You should add a note stating your moving to your own server and redirects will be updated once everything is set up.
4. Send an Email to [support@vbulletin.com](mailto:support@vbulletin.com) to request a database backup.
5. Download your backup using the information provided once the request is processed.
6. Restore the database on your new hosting site using the information provided by that company. If you have problems, you’ll need to contact your new hosting provider for support.
7. Rename /config.php.bkp to config.php
8. Rename /core/includes/config.php.new to /core/includes/config.php
9. Upload the vBulletin files to your new hosting site using an FTP client.
10. Edit the /core/includes/config.php to include your new database information.
11. Run /core/install/upgrade.php on the database.
12. Your site should be ready to open.

If you need further help please consult the online manual at <http://www.vbulletin.com/docs/html> or post in the community forums at <http://www.vbulletin.com/forum/>

Editing your config.php file:

You need to update the following values in your config.php to make a connection with the database:  
  
$config['Database']['dbname'] = 'XXXX';  
$config['MasterServer']['servername'] = '127.0.0.1';  
$config['MasterServer']['port'] = 3306;  
$config['MasterServer']['username'] = 'YYYY';  
$config['MasterServer']['password'] = 'ZZZZ';  
  
Replace XXXX with your database name.  
Replace 127.0.0.1 with your servername. If you're on a linux server you can change it to localhost if you want.  
Change 3306 with the port number that your hosting company provides, if any. Otherwise leave it alone.  
Replace YYYY with your database user name.  
Replace ZZZZ with your database user password.  
  
All of this information can be obtained from your hosting provider.  
  
If your want better performance and your server supports it, change the following to mysqli:  
$config['Database']['dbtype'] = 'mysql';  
  
To be notified about potential issues with your database update the following with your email:  
$config['Database']['technicalemail'] = 'dbmaster@example.com';