

## Help With Templates

Posted by robertwri32 - 2009/07/08 02:18

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Hi Edwin,

Thanks for the great app. I'm having a hard time using a template on slave site. It seems that the user table has synced fine, however when i choose a template in the newly created slave it effects the master site, and not the slave.

What could i have done wrong? it seem that the config file is using the jos\_ prefix which seems like a conflict.

Can you please provide me with some guidance.

Robert Wright

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## Re:Help With Templates

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/07/08 08:11

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Dear Robert,

All depends on the platform, Unix or Windows and if the Symbolic Link is allowed.

I will just give here the case of Unix with Symbolic Link allowed.

For the other cases, I suggest that you read the user manual that explain all the cases.

When Symbolic Link is allowed, and that you want to have a specific theme (template) folder, you can use for example the following configuration:

- Deploy folder = {site\_dir}
- themes folder = templates

In this case, JMS will create a directory "templates" into the {site\_dir} and all the existing templates will be created as a Symbolic Link into the "templates" directory.

This means that they start to exists like as a share with the master website.

You can at this moment un-install the themes and re-install them to convert the Symbolic Link into an independent themes.

To know which prefix is used by a website, you can have a look in the JMS manage site or go into your slave site and select the "global configuration" menu where you have in the system panel the parameters of the database connection.

This may help you check the table prefix used by your website.

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## Re:Help With Templates

Posted by robertwri32 - 2009/07/08 16:42

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Thanks Edwin,

I can tell you that symbolic links are available. In my case I'm using the same database, after following the tutorial last night, it has populated the database correctly.

I will attempt your suggestion. and continue to crack away at getting this correct.

Let me know if you'd like to take a look at my config file

I tried what you asked and got this error message

Any other suggestions?

## Re:Help With Templates

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/07/08 17:50

This is a permission problem.

Two possibilities:

1) Either you have no permission to access the files

2) or you can not create the link into the slave site directory.

Case 1), I suspect that the owner and group of the  
is different to  
the  
directory.

Try to use a recursive chmod 777 on all the directories like  
to give  
the permission to access the files.

Case 2) idem but with the multisites directory and children

The most frequent reason is a problem of owner and group of files that are  
different.

Contact the administrator of your unix machine to ask him help you solve the permission issue.

If you want that I have a look on your server, this is possible with billable support.

You can order such support on

[http://www.jms2win.com/download?page=shop.product\\_details&flypage=flypage.tpl&product\\_id=35&category\\_id=1](http://www.jms2win.com/download?page=shop.product_details&flypage=flypage.tpl&product_id=35&category_id=1)

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## **Re:Help With Templates**

Posted by nazar2k2 - 2009/07/31 07:10

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Hello Edwin

very Great info! it is very much elaborated and all can easily follow up your tips easily.

Thank you for your posting

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## **Re:Help With Templates**

Posted by celso - 2009/08/13 19:06

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Hi,

I've got the same problem:

I installed Joomla Multi Sites Version 1.2.x in a linux server with plesk 8.6 and I've got symbolic links allowed, I know that the owner and group from directory website & ../multisite are the same because I can see that using plesk.

I try to use recursive chmod 777 on all directories but when I create a new website without domain alias (in a sub-directory, for example from front-end) the directory appears by defect with chmod 755 & don't

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permit create a symbolic link (appear "Unable to create the symbolic link -> "...).

Also I try to change ftp umask to 000 but it dont work.

Any other suggestions?

Thanks!

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## **Re:Help With Templates**

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/13 22:03

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If you want to change the chmod of directory created by JMS, this is possible when you edit the file /administrator/components/com\_multisites/multisites.cfg.php

You can replace the 0755 by 0777 if you want but I think the problem is not related to the permission of the directory that is created but a problem to create the link itself.

The reason may be due also on the fact that the directory that must be linked does not authorized to be linked.

So check the permission of the /home/theafter/public\_html/site/administrator]

Can you give us also the exact version number of JMS you are using and on which hosting provider you are working.

The current latest JMS version is 1.2.2.

If you are still using a RCx check the change history to verify it is not an older version prior a fix performed in RC4

See <http://www.jms2win.com/faq/change-history-v12x>

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## **Re:Help With Templates**

Posted by celso - 2009/08/14 11:37

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Hello edwin2win.

I'm changed ..../multisites.cfg.php to chmod 777 but JMS follows creating directories with chmod 755.

I'm changed permission from all site using "chmod -R 777 .../site/httpdocs"

I've got a dedicated server linux with os\_CentOS 5 with plesl 8.6 and my hosting provider is 1and1.

I use JMS version 1.2.2.

Thank you for your posting

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## Re:Help With Templates

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/14 17:59

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The chmod procedure in multisites.cfg.php is just used to set the permission to the /multisites directory and its children directory.

It does not modify the permission of the other directory.

At the origin your permission issue is probably related to an inconsistency between "apaches" permission and you files and folder permission present on the disk.

This frequently happen when you install Joomla using a ssh or ftp user that have more privilege than a "basic" apaches user.

When at least the joomla files and folder owner are defined to use the same group of owner that is used by "apaches" this does not cause problem.

As you mentioned that you are using a dedicated server, I suppose that you have used a more privileges user to install your joomla and that explain the permission issue that you have to access or create links. A "normal" apaches user is not allowed to access your "protected" files that you have installed with your (perhaps root) user.

This explain why you have to perform a chmod 777 that give the permission to everybody.

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## Re:Help With Templates

Posted by celso - 2009/08/14 20:58

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Hi,

I change multisites.cfg.php chmod 755 to 777 but it dont work with multisites and childrens directories.

About owner and group:

First, I tried to change to apache user... It dont work

Second time I tried to change to nobody user... It dont work again.

What more can I do?

Thanks

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## Re:Help With Templates

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/08/14 22:25

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You have to first identify which is the owner used by apaches that I don't know.

Once you have identified it, you have to compare it with the one files and folders of your system.

Contact the administrator of your server to ask him assistance in help you solve the permission issue and setup correctly the owner and group of the files and folder that you are using.

If you want that I have a look on your server this is possible with billable support that you can order on [http://www.jms2win.com/download?page=shop.product\\_details&flypage=flypage.tpl&product\\_id=35&category\\_id=1](http://www.jms2win.com/download?page=shop.product_details&flypage=flypage.tpl&product_id=35&category_id=1)

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