

## How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by crashmodem - 2008/12/09 20:24

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When I go to the server area of global configuration- which is where I assume the jos\_ prefix would need to be changed, I see:

WARNING! Do not change unless you have a database built using tables with the prefix you are setting.

I don't have a database built with different values, and have no idea how to change this without breaking the entire install.

I have actually read most of the documentation, and understand that this needs to be changed, yet not a word on how to change it.

What do I do?

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## Re:How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by edwin2win - 2008/12/09 21:13

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When you use the Joomla Installation and you arrive the the database page where you can specify the server, db name, user and password you have to open the advanced setting pannel to have access to the table prefix.

See the "demo installation" document that show you that.

When you create a new slave site with JMS with it replication, you just have to give the new table prefix and JMS will do the job for you like you had to do with the "advanced setting" panel of Joomla.

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## Re:How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by traz - 2009/01/05 06:47

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I have a similar problem. At the time of installation I did not change the jos\_ prefix to master\_ as I was supposed to.

Is it possible to go back now and make the replacement without incident?

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## Re:How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/01/05 11:40

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NO, in Joomla, there is no method to rename the jos\_ into master\_.

You can either use a PHPMyAdmin tool or similar to perform the MySQL rename table;

OR you can use JMS replication mechanism to duplicate the jos\_ tables into master\_. When the replication is performed, you could delete the jos\_.  
If this is a fresh installation (as I suppose), this is faster to re-do it.

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### Re:How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by traz - 2009/01/06 18:55

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The PHP Admin Tool did the trick - allowed me to go back and rename all of the files with jos\_ to master\_. I then went into the configuration file and replaced jos\_ with master\_ and everything works!!

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### Re:How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by djooky - 2009/03/23 12:49

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I had the same problem, and fixed it using the following sql statement inside the php admin:  
`ALTER TABLE jos_tablename RENAME TO master_tablename`

You have to do this for every table name in the database. Then open the configuration.php file, and change the prefix from jos\_ to master\_.

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### Re:How to change jos\_ prefix? (Answered)

Posted by bradypaulson - 2009/11/10 03:11

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<http://extensions.joomla.org/extensions/hosting-a-servers/database-management/2867>

This will save everyone a little headache.

It's called EasySQL and has quite a few great benefits, but #1 for this thread is the ability to change jos\_ to master\_ in about 2 seconds.

All you gotta do is change your permissions on configuration.php to 744 (that's what I did anyway), install the component, go to component, click drop the down menu and select REPLACE PREFIX `master\_` TO, then simply put what you want to change it to and click Exec SQL... Done! Instantly changes everything.

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### Re:How to change jos\_ prefix? (Answered)

Posted by bradypaulson - 2009/12/05 10:29

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Just wanted to clarify that it says REPLACE PREFIX `jos\_` TO  
and that's at the very bottom of the "Command" drop-down menu.

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### Re:How to change jos\_ prefix?

Posted by elfif - 2010/04/10 11:45

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Thanks for your trick, this extension is perfect for that purpose!  
Haope now I can achieve to configgure JMS. Not so easy...

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