

# Installation Guide

## Getting Started

Thank you for downloading ArticleSetup! This quick, one-page guide will help you get your install up and running in a matter of minutes. Before getting started, please make sure that your system supports **PHP 5+ and MySQL 4+**. Optionally, an Apache Web Server with mod\_rewrite capabilities is recommended.

## Step 1 - Create a New MySQL Database and Upload the Files

- Follow instructions from your host to create a new database on your server.
- Upload everything in the include /upload folder to your server.

## Step 2 - Update the config.php File

- Inside the config.php file of your install, you will see 4 variables, please update this data to match the database you setup in the previous step. Reupload this file to your server.

## Step 3 - Run the Installer

- Once you have created the database, uploaded the files, and updated the config.php file, it's time to run the installer.
- Go to your web browser and navigate to: **yoursite.com/install** - enter the correct information here and click continue.
- When the installer finishes, you will be given a prompt to delete the /install directory from your server. Do this now.

**Congratulations! Your directory should be fully functional at this point.**

## Step 4 - SEO Urls (Optional)

Step 4 converts your urls from: site.com/article.php?id=218 to site.com/128/article-title -- which is highly recommended for usability and SEO purposes. To do this, follow these two steps:

1. Look for a file on your server named **htaccess.txt** and rename this file to **.htaccess** (don't forget the . (period) at the beginning of the title).
2. Upload the file seourls.php (included with this download) to the root directory of your server. That's it. Confirm that your URLs have been updated.

**NOTE: If you need any assistance with this process, we offer a professional installation that guarantees to get your directory installed in perfect condition, to see more about that, please visit: <http://articlesetup.com/download>**

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