

# Skeleton Directory

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## Overview

This interface displays the location of the skeleton directory. The skeleton directory allows you to easily copy the same files in to every new account's `public_html` and `public_ftp` directories when the system creates the account.

### Important:

- When a visitor accesses `http://example.com/`, they will see the contents of `example.com`'s `public_html` directory.
- When a visitor accesses `http://example.com/subdirectory`, they will see the contents of `example.com`'s `public_html/subdirectory`.
- FTP users can download the contents of the `public_ftp` directory.

## Create a skeleton directory

To set up your skeleton directory, perform the following steps:

1. Plan and create the content that you wish to supply for your new users.
2. Place the appropriate files and subdirectories in the appropriate directory:
  - `/root/cpanel3-skel/public_html` — A skeleton directory for the `root` user.
  - `/home/reseller/cpanel3-skel/public_html` — A skeleton directory for a reseller, where `home` represents the name of the `home` partition, and `reseller` represents the reseller's username.

### Note:

The system copies these files to the new accounts' `public_html` directories when it creates accounts.

3. Place the appropriate FTP-related files the appropriate directory:
  - `/root/cpanel3-skel/public_ftp` — A skeleton FTP directory for the `root` user.
  - `/home/reseller/cpanel3-skel/public_ftp` — A skeleton FTP directory for a reseller, where `home` represents the name of the `home` partition, and `reseller` represents the reseller's username.

### Note:

The new user can access these files via an FTP client.

## Additional documentation

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