

Customization

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Overview

This interface allows you to customize parts of the cPanel and Webmail interfaces. You can:

- Upload custom logos.
- Upload a [favicon](#).
- Update parts of the cPanel interface to match your company's branding.
- Upload custom cPanel styles.
- Update the contact information on publicly-visible placeholder pages.

For the purposes of cPanel, Inc.'s products and documentation, we use the following terms:

- **Branding** — Branding modifies the cPanel interface in order to match your company's logo and brand.
 - Branding changes include updates to image assets or text labels.
 - For more information, read our [Branding](#) documentation.
- **Includes** — UI includes add custom content to the header or footer of the cPanel interface (but not the WHM interface).
 - You can create UI includes for specific cPanel interfaces, or global UI includes that display on all of cPanel's interfaces.
 - For more information, read our [UI Includes](#) documentation.
- **Plugin** — A plugin modifies an interface's features or functionality, and it may also include changes to the interface's appearance.
 - You can write plugins for the cPanel or WHM interfaces.
 - You can use the [cPanel Style Guide](#) to ensure that your interfaces match the appearance of standard cPanel interfaces.
 - For more information, read our [Guide to cPanel Plugins](#) documentation.
- **Style** — A style uses CSS, images, and other assets to modify the appearance of the entire cPanel interface **without** changes to its functionality or features.
 - You can create and apply styles to an entire server or a specific reseller's accounts, or you can create them for distribution.
 - For more information, read our [cPanel Style Development](#) documentation.
- **Theme** — A theme applies an overlay on the skeletal framework for all of the interfaces.
 - cPanel & WHM currently ships with one default cPanel theme and one default WHM theme.
 - The Webmail and login interfaces also use themes.

Customize Branding

To customize the cPanel or Webmail interfaces:

1. Enter your company's name in the *Company Name* text box to brand the interface with your company name.
 - Use this option if you don't want to upload a custom logo.
 - If you use this option, your company name will appear in the default cPanel font.




Note:

- To change the font style, you **must** customize cPanel's CSS with a custom style.
- The *Company Name* value **cannot** exceed 50 characters. The cPanel interface truncates it if the name's width exceeds the width of the user's browser window.

2. Enter your help or support URL in the *Help Link* text box to customize the *Help* link. The *Help* link **won't** appear in the cPanel interface until you enter a custom URL.
3. Enter your documentation URL in the *Documentation Link* text box to customize the *Documentation* link. If you don't enter a custom *Documentation* link, the *Documentation* link points to the cPanel, L.L.C. documentation.
4. Click *Browse* under the desired heading to add your company logo, Webmail logo, or favicon. Then, select the desired file.



Notes:

- cPanel & WHM has specific icon size and file type requirements. For more information, read our [Guide to cPanel Interface Customization - Custom Icons and Logos](#) documentation.
- To delete an uploaded logo, click the trash can icon () for that image file.

5. To apply your changes, click *Save*.

Customize Style

Note:

You can download [an example skeleton style](#) to help you create a new style.

Upload a custom style

To upload custom cPanel styles:

1. Click *Upload a Style*.
2. To select a style to upload, click *Browse*.
 - The system uses the `.tar.gz` file's name as the style's name.
 - You **must** upload your custom style as a `.tar.gz` file, which **must** contain the `styles.css` file, the `styles.min.css` file, or both.

Note:

We **strongly** recommend that you include **both** files.

3. To set the style as the default style, select the *Set this style as my default style* checkbox.
4. Click *Upload*.

Important:

We **strongly** recommend that you keep your custom styles up to date to avoid compatibility issues when you upgrade cPanel & WHM. To do this, perform the following actions:

- Monitor our [Change Logs](#) and our [Release Notes](#) documentation for updated features and bug fixes.
- Make **certain** that your server runs on the STABLE, RELEASE, or CURRENT [release tiers](#), so that it receives any functionality updates.
- You can also use a server that runs on the EDGE release tier to test for compatibility and functionality in a controlled environment.

Manage Styles

Important:

To modify the theme or style for existing accounts, use [the `/usr/local/cpanel/scripts/modify_accounts` script](#).


Use the *Manage Styles* section to work with styles. To filter the list of styles, click the desired filter name.

For each style, you can perform the following actions:

- *Set as Default*— Click to set a style as the default style for your newly-created accounts.

Note:

This action **only** sets the default for new accounts that you create. It does **not** set the style for existing accounts on the server.

- *Download Style*— Click to download the style. You may wish to download existing styles to customize them or use them as a base for new styles.
- *Delete*— Click the trash can () icon to delete a style. Then, click *Delete* again to confirm the deletion.

Note:

You can **only** perform this action on styles that you uploaded and own.

Public Contact

Important:

- We **strongly recommend** that you update this. Otherwise, customers see the default information, which may hurt your brand.
- The cPanel interface will **not** show the company name that you enter in the *Customize Branding* tab on placeholder pages.

The [Account Suspended](#) and [Default Webpage](#) pages show visitors your contact information. Users will also see it when they search for your contact information.

- Resellers who [own their accounts](#) can add custom information to their main domains.
- Main domains for other resellers use the server owner's information.

For example, when the system displays a placeholder page to a user, they may see the following message:

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If you are the owner of this website, please contact your hosting provider: webmaster@10.0.2.0
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In this example, `webmaster@10.0.2.0` is a link to the hosting provider's default contact email address. If you update this information, you can choose a specific email address or URL instead.

Customize contact information

To enter your public contact information:

1. Enter your company's name in the *Public Company Name* text box.
2. Enter your company's URL in the *Public Contact URL* text box.
3. Click *Save*.


File locations


cPanel & WHM stores branding information in the `reseller_info.json` file, which exists in either the `root` user's or reseller's `brand` directory.

- If the reseller who owns the account has specified custom branding information, the cPanel user sees the reseller's branding in the cPanel interface.
- If the reseller has **not** specified custom branding information, but the `root` user **has**, the cPanel user sees the `root` user's branding in the cPanel interface.
- If neither the reseller nor the `root` user have specified custom branding information, the cPanel user does **not** see any customizations to the cPanel interface.

When you save your customizations through WHM's [Customization](#) interface (*WHM >> Home >> cPanel >> Customization*) interface, the system stores your items in the following directories:

User	Item	File path	File name
Reseller	Favicon	<code>/home/resellername/var/cpanel/reseller/brand</code>	<code>favicon.ico</code>
	Logo	<code>/home/resellername/var/cpanel/reseller/brand</code>	<code>logo.svg</code> or <code>logo.png</code>
	Webmail logo	<code>/home/resellername/var/cpanel/reseller/brand</code>	<code>webmail.svg</code> or <code>webmail.png</code>
	Custom styles	<code>/home/resellername/var/cpanel/reseller/styled/stylename</code> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"><p>Note:</p><p><code>stylename</code> represents the style's name. For example, if you upload the <code>mystyle.tar.gz</code> file, the system stores the style's files in the <code>/home/resellername/var/cpanel/reseller/styled/mystyle</code> directory.</p></div>	N/A
root	Favicon	<code>/var/cpanel/customizations/brand</code>	<code>favicon.ico</code>
	Logo	<code>/var/cpanel/customizations/brand</code>	<code>logo.svg</code> or <code>logo.png</code>
	Webmail logo	<code>/var/cpanel/customizations/brand</code>	<code>webmail.svg</code> or <code>webmail.png</code>

	<p>Custom styles</p> <p><code>/var/cpanel/customizations/styled/typename</code></p> <div data-bbox="474 178 1347 325" style="border: 1px solid #f9e79f; padding: 10px;"><p> Note:</p><p>typename represents the style's name. For example, if you upload the <code>mystyle.tar.gz</code> file, the system stores the style's files in the <code>/var/cpanel/customizations/styled/mystyle</code> directory.</p></div>	N/A
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 **Note:**

The system checks for a `.svg` logo first. If no `.svg` logo exists, the system uses the `.png` logo, if one exists.

Additional documentation

- [Theme Manager](#)
- [Customization](#)
- [Web Template Editor](#)
- [The cpconftool Script](#)