



Manual Website Migration

1. Go to “file manager” within dev site cPanel
2. Compress “wp-content” file
3. Download “wp-content.zip” file
4. Download “wp-config.php” file
5. Go to database in “phpMyAdmin” within cPanel
6. Select the correct database
7. Within database scroll down and check the “check all” box
8. Export database by clicking the “go” button
9. Check your downloads folder, you should see:
 - a. Wp-content.zip
 - b. Wp-config.php
 - c. Database.sql
10. Create a folder called “old site” and move the 3 downloads to that folder – this will come in handy for a future step and make it less confusing
11. Create cPanel for new site (see create website w/ domain tutorial if needed)
12. Install wordpress then go back to cPanel for the new blank site
13. Go to database in “phpMyAdmin” within cPanel
14. Select the new database
15. Within database scroll down and check the “check all” box
16. In the “with selected” box, select “drop”
17. Select database again and “import” previous db.sql that was previously downloaded in step 8
18. Once database is imported click on the database and look for “dbprefix_options”
19. Click “edit” in the “siteurl” row (“siteurl” will be under the “option_name” column)
20. Change the previous url from the dev site url to the new url under the “option_value” column) then hit “go” to save
21. Repeat step 19 for the “home” row, “home” is under the “option_name” column
22. Go to “file manager” within the newly created cPanel
23. Delete the “wp-content” folder
24. Select upload and choose the “wp-content.zip”
25. Right click on the newly uploaded “wp-content.zip” folder and select “extract”
26. Delete the “wp-content.zip” folder once it has been extracted
27. Right click and “download” the “wp-config.php” file
28. In your downloads, right click and open with “textEdit”
29. Within the textEdit code, find “\$table_prefix =”
30. Change the “\$table_prefix =” for this database to the dbprefix from the previous database and save
31. Next you overwrite the “wp-config.php” file within the file manager with the “wp-config.php” you just downloaded and edited
32. Now the website on the new cPanel *should* match the website from the dev site

Clean up phase

33. Login to the new site from in WordPress
34. Go to plugins and download “Velvet Blues Update URLs” and activate it
35. On the left side bar select “tools” then “update URLs”
36. Enter old site domain (without www) under “Old URL”
37. End new site domain (without www) under “New URL”
38. Check every box under “choose which URLs should be updated”
39. Select “Update URLs NOW”
40. Site should be 100% migrated
41. Delete old dev site
42. Back up new site