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# HelpDeskZ Documentation

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# WELCOME TO HELPDESKZ

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## **WELCOME TO HELPDESKZ**

HelpDeskZ is a free PHP based software which allows you to manage your site's support with a web-based support ticket system.

HelpDeskZ is developed with CodeIgniter PHP framework 4



## SERVER REQUIREMENTS

- PHP version 7.2 or newer is required
- **intl** extension, **mbstring** extension and **imap** extension installed.
- MySQL (5.1+) via the *MySQLi* driver



## FRESH INSTALLATION

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**Note:** Be sure that your server meets the *HelpDeskZ requirements*.

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### 3.1 Configuration file

- Unzip the HelpDeskZ script package.
- Browse to directory `/hdz/app/Config/` and rename the file **Helpdesk.new.php** to **Helpdesk.php**.
- Edit this file and complete the required information (Site URL, database information, etc).

### 3.2 Install it!

- Connect with FTP to the *public folder* of your server.
- Upload all HelpDeskZ in the directory that you will install it (domain directory or subdomain).
- Open **/install** in your browser, for example <http://support.mysite.com/install> (modify your URL).
- The HelpDeskZ setup script will run. Click INSTALL HELPDESKZ and follow the instructions through installation wizard.
- Now it's time to setup your help desk! Open the staff panel in your browser, for example: <http://support.mysite.com/staff> Use the login details that you entered in the installation process.
- Take some time and get familiar with all the available settings. Most should be self-explanatory.
- Thanks for using HelpDeskZ!

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**Note:** If you want to make a new installation again, then be sure you removed the file `/hdz/writable/cache/instal.config` to unlock the installation wizard.

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## UPGRADING FROM PREVIOUS VERSION

Please read the upgrade notes corresponding to the version you are upgrading from.

### 4.1 Upgrading from 1.x to 2.0

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**Note:** v2.x was rewritten from scratch so the attachments from tickets will be lost in this new version.

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The upgrade process is very simple and just follow these steps:

#### 4.1.1 Configuration file

- Unzip the HelpDeskZ script package.
- Browse to directory `/hdz/app/Config/` and rename the file **Helpdesk.new.php** to **Helpdesk.php**.
- Edit this file and complete the required information (Site URL, database information, etc).

#### 4.1.2 Update your site

- Upload all files of v2.x to your HelpDeskZ directory.
- Open **/install** in your browser, for example <http://support.mysite.com/install> (modify your URL).
- The HelpDeskZ setup script will run. Click UPGRADE HELPDESKZ and follow the instructions through upgrade wizard.
- Now it's time to setup your help desk! Open the staff panel in your browser, for example: <http://support.mysite.com/staff>
- Take some time and get familiar with all the available settings. Most should be self-explanatory.
- Thanks for using HelpDeskZ!



## HELPDESKZ REPOSITORIES

The HelpDeskZ is an **open source** project and repository is hosted in [Github](#)



## EMAIL PIPING

HelpDeskZ supports email piping, this allows the auto-creation of tickets from incoming emails to a set email address.

### 6.1 Email configuration

- In Staff Panel, go to Setup -> Email addresses.
- Add a new email address or edit the email for Piping configuration.
- Go to **Incoming** tab and select **Pipe**

### 6.2 Email forwarding

- In your hosting panel, go to email forwarding.
- Enter the email address that you configured in your staff panel.
- For destination, select Pipe
- Enter the path to pipe.php, for example /public\_html/helpdeskz/pipe.php

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**Note:** To make it work correctly, verify that pipe.php has executable permissions (CHMOD 755)

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