

# Membership

## Overview

Memberships in Extension are required to set user group level based on the monthly/Yearly pay plan the user selects. Using membership plans, you can decide how much to charge a user and how many listings a user can make for a particular membership plan.

Membership are well integrated with Joomla groups and have a dependency on each other. Ensure that you have created Joomla groups before creating membership plans. By doing this, you can select groups when creating membership.

## Create a new Membership Plan

Click Components > Extension > Membership Plans > New to create a new membership plan as shown in the following image:



Membership Plans						
4.1.5 JomDirectory Demo Website User Menu						
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	ID	NAME	PRICE MONTHLY	PRICE ANNUALLY	BEST VALUE	LANGUAGE
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Free	0	0	No	All
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Basic	10	100	Yes	All
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Premium	30	250	No	All

### Screen 1: Create new membership plan

First membership plan should be a Free (basic plan). When user logs into the Front Admin, he will be assigned to that plan. From that point, User can upgrade his membership to paid plans.

## Edit Membership Plan

If you want to edit existing entries, you can either click the entry from the Membership screen or select the check box next to the entry, and then click **Edit**.

The following image shows the Edit Plan screen.

Membership Plans

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SaveSave & CloseSave as CopyClose

Name \*

Basic

Group ID \*

Basic

Best Value

NoYes

Price Monthly \*

10

Price Annually \*

100

EditInsertViewFormatTableTools

CMS Content

Paragraph

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Toggle Editor

Number of Listings

10

No of Premium Listings

2

Number of Images

100

Products

NoYes

Number of Products

100

Phone

NoYes

Webpage

NoYes

Number of Tags

100

Attachments

NoYes

Video

NoYes

Availability Calendar

NoYes

Screen 2: Edit Plan screen

The following table explains the different options seen.

Name	Provide a name for the membership plan.
Number of Listings	Provide the number of listings the users in the plan can create.
Group ID	Select the Joomla user group ID for the plan. It is recommended that you create your membership under the Registered group.
Number of Images	Provide the number of images the users in the plan can add.

<b>Price Monthly</b>	Provide the monthly charge for the plan.
<b>Price Annually</b>	Provide the annual charge for the plan.
<b>Best Value</b>	Best value badge, that shows in Front Admin (informative)
<b>No of Premium Listings</b>	Provide the number of premium listings the users in the plan can create.
<b>Attachments</b>	Enable to allow users to add attachments to listings.
<b>Video</b>	Enable to allow users to add Video link to the listings.
<b>Custom Fields</b>	Enable custom fields for particular plan. Custom field needs to be assign into <b>Paid Groups</b> to be shown here.
<b>ID</b>	This field is auto generated.

## Adding paid custom fields to the Membership plans

For adding a custom field to the membership plan, the field group needs to be set to Paid item. Click **Extension > Custom Fields**. Click the field you want to add to the membership plan as a paid item. Change the Field Group to **Paid item** for the Item view and Paid items for the Items view as shown in the following image:

Home Dashboard Content Menus Components Users System Help Joomla! Custom Fields 4.1.5 JomDirectory Demo Website

Save Save & Close Save & New Save as Copy Close

New Custom Field Publishing Options

Title \*  
Additional Email

Alias  
additional-email

Field Type \*  
Email

Field Group \*  
Paid Item

Paid Field  
No Yes

Field Required?  
No Yes

Category  
Select category

Field Database Type \*  
String

Custom Field Template  
Default

Order  
0

ID  
10

Field Can Be Searched?  
No Yes

#### Screen 4: Adding a paid custom field

This field needs to be enabled in the membership plan as shown in the following image.

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Number of Tags  
1000

Attachments  
No Yes

Video  
No Yes

Availability Calendar  
No Yes

Accept Credit Cards  
No Yes

Additional Email  
No Yes

Language  
All

ID  
3

## Screen 5: Enabling the paid custom field

This field can be seen in the front admin under the membership plan as follows:

The screenshot shows the Joomla! front-end interface for the 'businesspages' extension. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Directory, Products, Map Wide, Join, and DEMO ACCESS. The main content area is titled 'Membership' with the subtitle 'Check out our affordable plans!'. It displays three membership plans in a grid:

Free	Basic <i>Best Value</i>	Premium
Listings: 2 Images: 10 Premium Listings: 0 Products: ✕ Attachments: ✕ Youtube Video: ✓ Phone: ✕ Webpage: ✕ Availability: ✕ Akcept Credit Cards: ✓ Additional Email: ✕	Listings: 10 Images: 100 Premium Listings: 2 Products: ✓ Attachments: ✓ Youtube Video: ✓ Phone: ✓ Webpage: ✓ Availability: ✓ Akcept Credit Cards: ✓ Additional Email: ✓	Listings: 100 Images: 1000 Premium Listings: 100 Products: ✓ Attachments: ✓ Youtube Video: ✓ Phone: ✓ Webpage: ✓ Availability: ✓ Akcept Credit Cards: ✓ Additional Email: ✓
Free	€ 10.00 Monthly € 100.00 Annually	€ 30.00 Monthly € 250.00 Annually
<a href="#">Join</a>	<a href="#">Join</a>	<a href="#">Join</a>

## Screen 6: Viewing the paid custom field

# Membership expiry email configurations

Before the membership expires, an email can be sent to a user that informs them about his membership nearing expiration. The setting can be seen in the following image:

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### Screen 3: Configure expiry email field

## Cron Setting for Membership expiry check

Under your hosting panel a link needs to be added that launches a script. This script checks all users' membership and sends an email if membership is about to expire:

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curl -sS 'http://yourdomain.com?option=com_jomdirectory&task=expiry.send'
```

**or**

```
wget -q -O /dev/null 'http://yourdomain.com?option=com_jomdirectory&task=expiry.send'
```

If you are unaware about where the cron setting needs to be configured in the hosting panel, contact your hosting support center.

Ensure that the script is launched every day at a particular time consistently.

## Set Single User expiry date and group

To set plan expiry and attach a group for each user, do the following:

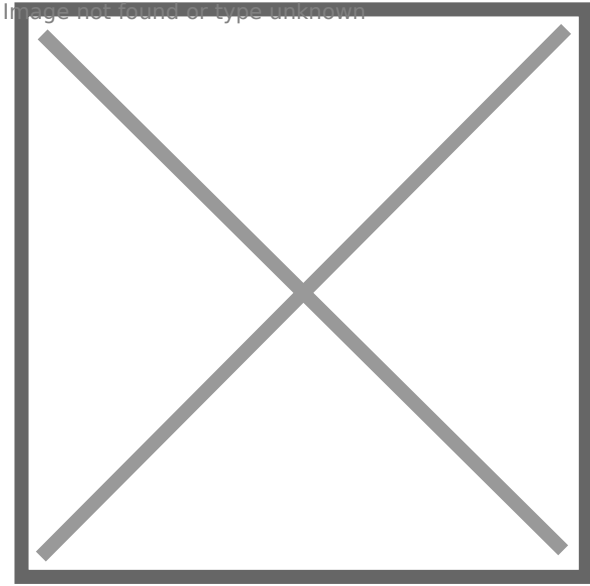
1. Click **Users > User Manager**.
2. Click the user for whom you want to set the membership expiry.
3. Click the **Additional Options** tab.
4. Provide the expiration date in the **Plan expiry** field.

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5. Click the **Assigned User Groups** tab.

6. Select the check box next to the group you want to attach the user to for a particular membership plan as shown in the following image.



7. Click **Save**.

For more information about membership expiration setting, see [Configuration](#) documentation.

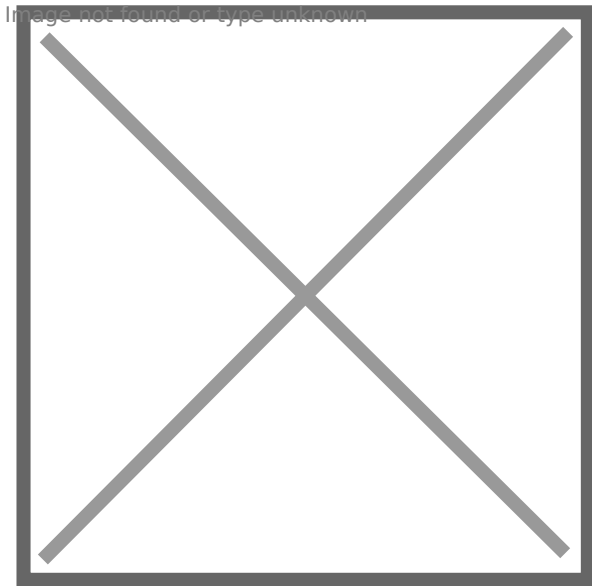
## Creating a new Group for Membership Plans

In order to add users to groups for membership plans, you must create a super group named JomEstate. Then, under it you must create groups for each of your membership plan. These groups are used to provide Group ID when creating a membership plan. Users created using User Manager can be linked to each of these membership plan groups.

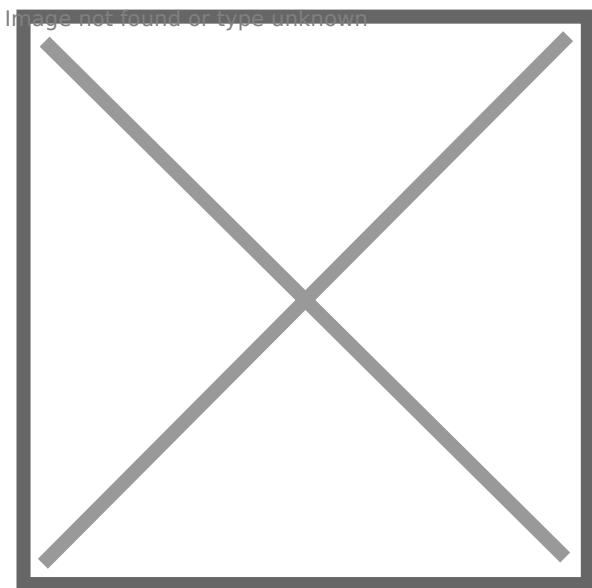
To create the JomEstate group and other groups, do the following:

1. Click **Users > Groups > Add New Group**.
2. Provide a name for the group. We need to create JomEstate group before creating other groups. So, provide the name as **JomEstate**.





3. Repeat steps 1 and 2, but select the parent as JomEstate.



4. Click **Save**.

Name **JomEstate** for the main group is mandatory, however groups for membership under that group can have any names e.g. Lite, Pro or Free, Basic etc...

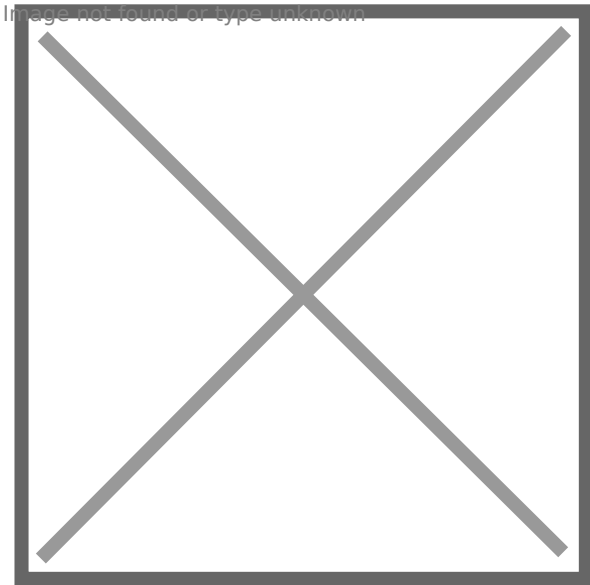
## User Permissions based on groups

For the users to access Front Admin certain user permissions need to be granted. These settings need to be done in the JomEstate and Comdev Options.

To provide user permissions for JomEstate, do the following:

1. Click **Components > JomEstate**
2. Click **Options** from the right-hand side of the screen.
3. Click **Permissions**.

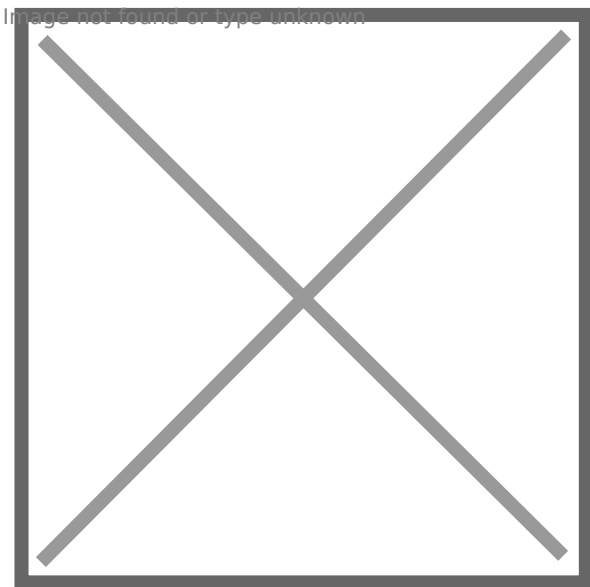
4. Provide the permissions as shown in the following image.



5. Click **Save**.

User permissions also need to be set for Comdev extension as explained here.

1. Click **Components > Comdev**.
2. Click **Options** from the right-hand side of the screen.
3. Click **Comdev**.
4. Provide the permissions as shown in the following image.



5. Click **Save**.

Users, which belongs to Joomla group JomEstate, will now have access to Front Admin.

If Permissions for the Comdev component are not set, users would not be able to upload images. A 500 error would show that permissions are denied.

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