Menu Items

Overview

In this section, we will learn how to create menu items to access JomOffers.

Menus are used to control website navigation and are a set of menu items. Menu items provide the navigational experience to your users. The menu items in our case must point to the JomOffers.

Creating Administration Menu Links

> This step is not needed if new installation being made.

Go to the System -> Administrator modules and insert new. Than choose Administrator Menu. From the presets, select Comdev and place it under menu position. Do the same for the JomOffers:



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> Creating an Items menu link is mandatory. If you have a multilingual site, ensure that you create an Items menu link for each language. You can hide this menu link, but it needs to be created nonetheless. Though you are creating an Items link that does not point to any category or address, you can create other links with Items menu type that can point to an address or a category once main Items link has been created.

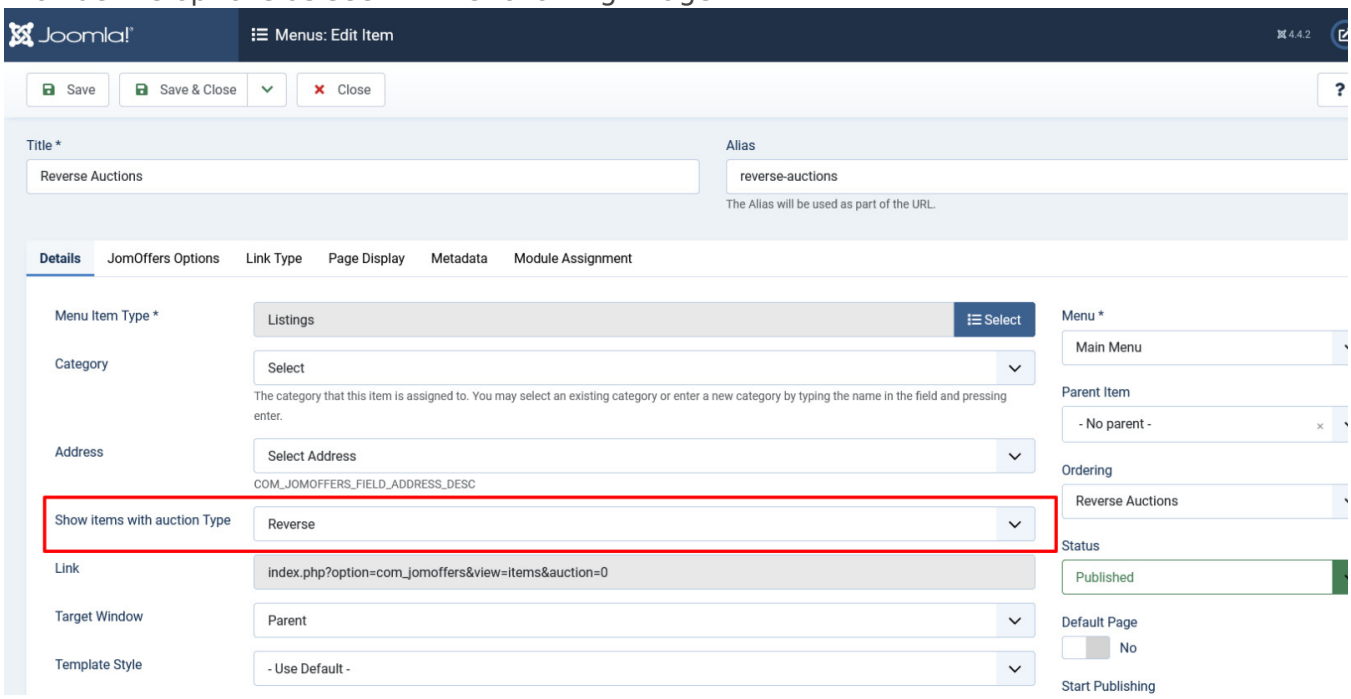
Reverse Auctions:

To create menu items with Items menu item type, do the following:

1. Click **Menus** > **<your_menu>(Main Menu)** > **Add New Menu Items**.
2. Provide a title in our case is **Latest Listings** in the **Menu Title** field. Now, since the Latest Listings menu item provides a list of all the latest postings on the site, we have

selected the menu type as Items. The Alias field will build URL for the site. When search is done this will be the landing page for the search results as well.

3. Provide the options as seen in the following image:



Screen 1: Items menu item screen

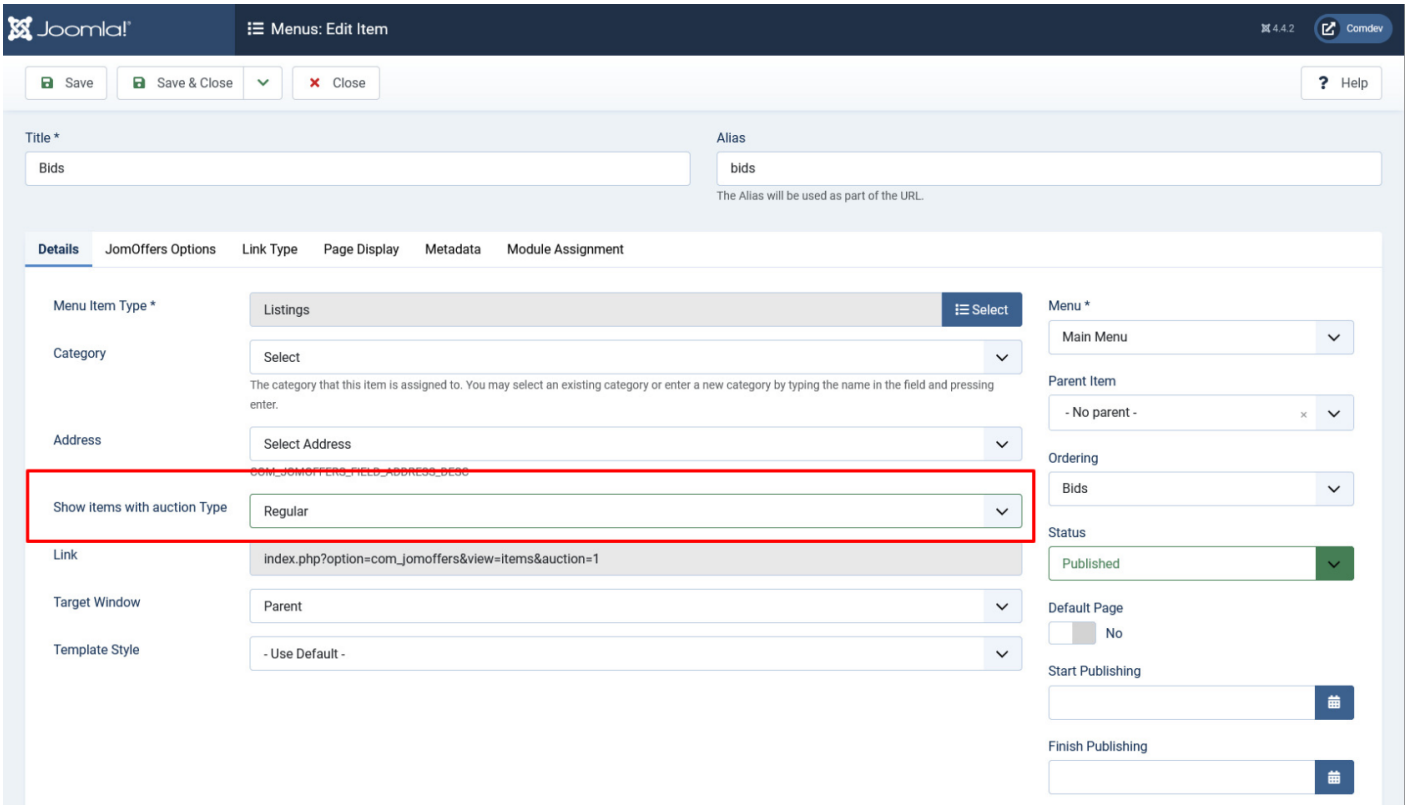
4. Provide the values based on the following table.

Menu Item Type	Click **Select**. A pop up is displayed. In this case, since we are creating the Items menu item, click **JomOffers**> **Items** from the list.
Category	Select the appropriate category, if creating direct category link.
Address	Select the appropriate address if, creating direct address link.
Auction type	Set an Auction type: Reverse or Regular (BIDS)
Link	This field is auto populated based on the menu item type selected.
Target Window	Select the parent for this menu item.
Template Style	Select the template style you want for this menu.

Click **Save**.

Bids

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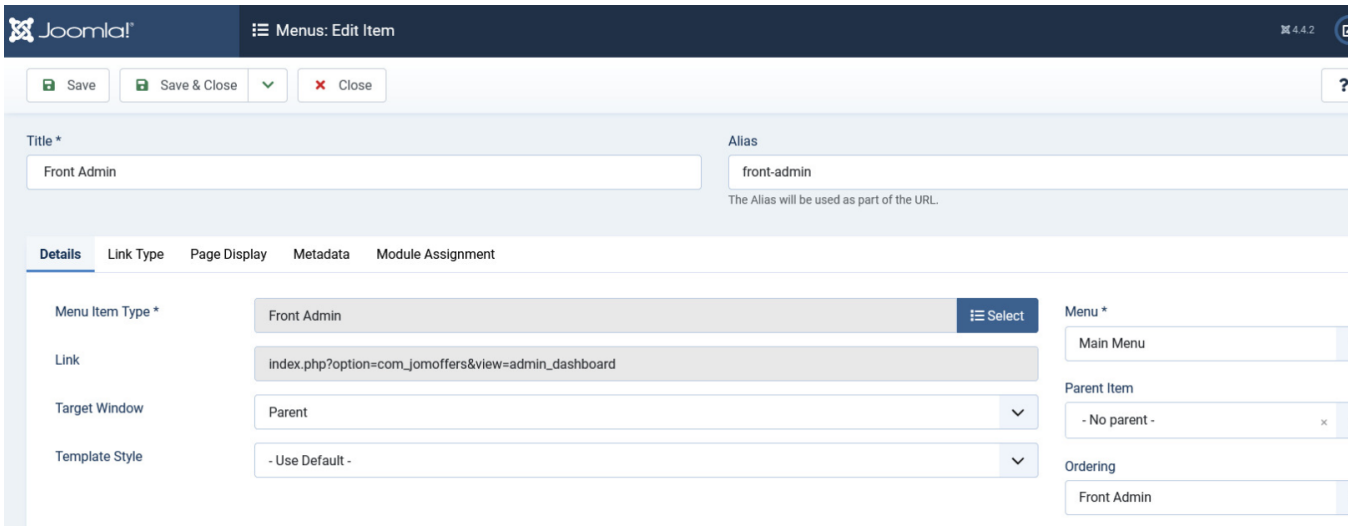
Ensure that you see a green tick next to this menu item. The green tick indicates that the item is published. To publish an item, select the check box next to the item and click **Publish**.

To view the created menu item, go the front end of your site. The new menu item is displayed.

Creating Menu to access JomOffers Front Admin

To create menu items with Front Admin menu item type, do the following:

1. Click **Menus** > **<your_menu>(Main Menu)** > **Add New Menu Items**.
2. Provide a title as **Front Admin** and the alias as **front-admin** in the Menu Title field.
3. Provide the options as seen in the following image:



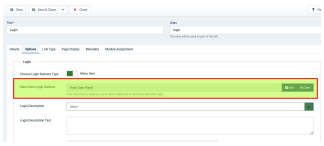
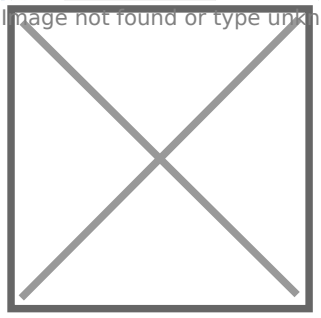
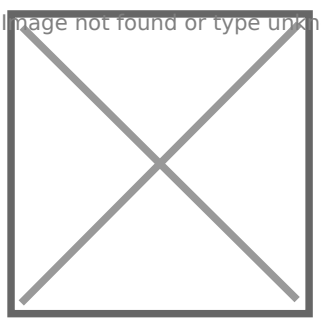
Screen 2: JomOffers Front Admin menu item screen

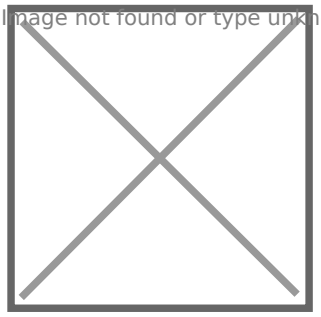
4. Click **Save**.

Front Admin Options

For the Menu to be able to access the JomOffers Front Admin, certain settings need to be made. The following table shows the three menu links that need to be made and linked with JomOffers Options. You can create these 3 menu items anywhere on the site e.g. link them under User Menu.

Profile Edit Menu Link	This link should point to Edit profile menu item created using Edit User Profile menu item type.	1. Click **Menu** > **<your_menu>(Main Menu)**> **Add New Menu Item**. 2. Provide the Title as **Edit Profile** and the menu item type as **Edit User Profile,** under **Users Manager**. 3. Click **Save**.	Image not found or type unknown

Admin Menu Link	This link should point to the login form menu item created using Login Form menu item type.	1. Click **Menu** > **<your_menu>(Main Menu)**> **Add New Menu Item**. 2. Provide the Title as **Login Form** and the menu item type as **Login Form**, under **Users Manager.** 3. Click **Save**.	The following image shows how the Login Form menu item is used.  Image not found or type unknown  When user is not logged into the front page, he will be redirected to the built-in Joomla login form. After successful login, he will be redirected to the JomOffers Front Admin. The following image shows the redirect URL that needs to be provided. The value you provide in the Login Redirect field depends on the following: • http://domain.com/index.php/front-admin - Use if URL rewriting is not applicable. • http://domain.com/front-admin - Use if URL rewriting is applicable. In our example, we are using the http://domain.com/front-admin URL as shown in the following image where front-admin is the alias of the JomOffers Front Admin Menu Link: Image not found or type unknown 

Profile View Menu Link	This link should point to the user profile created using User Profile menu item type.	1. Click **Menu** > **<your_menu>** >**Add New Menu Item**. 2. Provide the Title as **User Profile** and the menu item type as **User Profile**. 3. Click **Save**.	Image not found or type unknou 

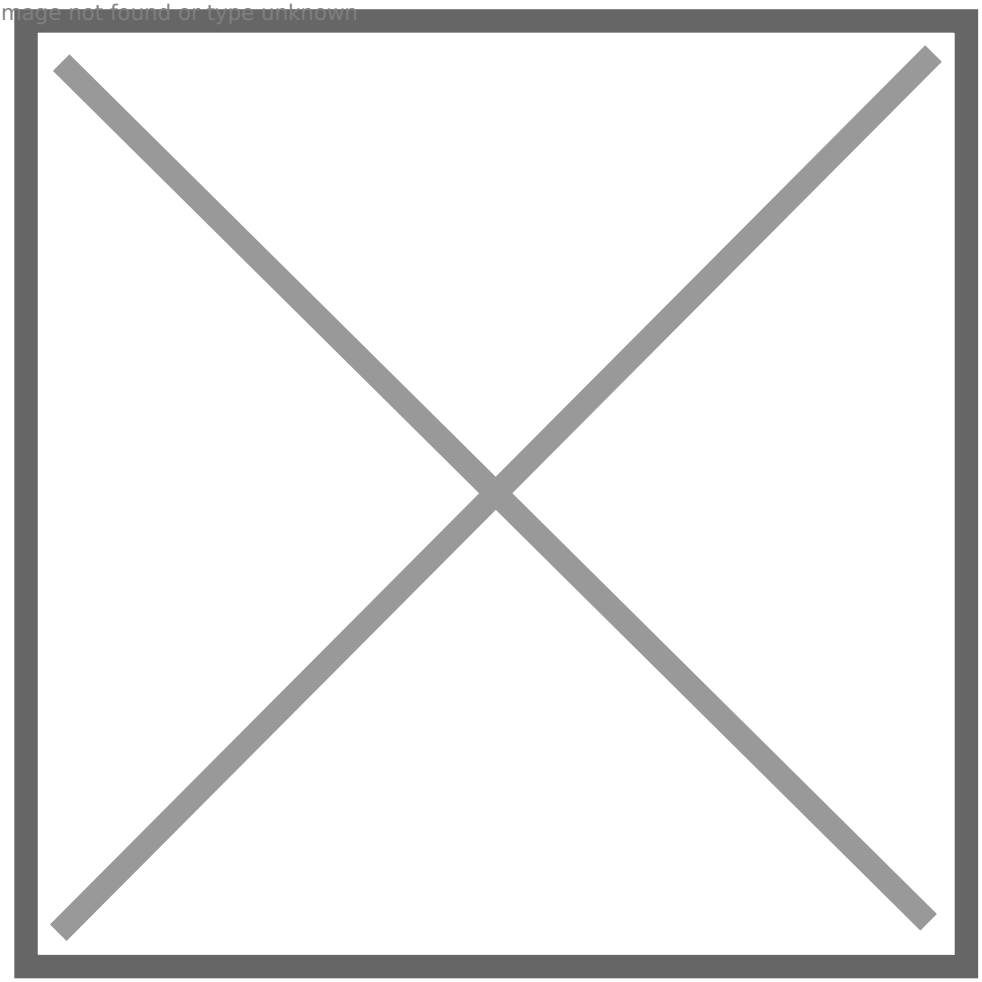
Now link menus with JomOffers Options:

Make the following settings for the Front Admin are made in the JomOffers options for the user to be redirected correctly to the Front Admin, when he is not logged in.

1. Click **System** > **Control Panel**.
2. Under **Extensions**, click **JomOffers**.
3. Click **Options** in the top right-hand corner of the screen.
4. Click the **Front Admin** tab.

5. Change the **Profile Menu Link**, **Login Menu Link**, and **View Profile Menu Link** field as per the following image.

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Screen 3: JomOffers Front Admin options

6. Click **Save**.

The Front Admin lets users add listings in the front of the site. For more information about how to add listings, see Front Admin.

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