

move / migrate

How to move a concrete5 website from a subdirectory to the root directory of your webserver?

If you want to move your concrete5's website from one server (eg localhost) to another server, please see the official documentation:

- <https://documentation.concrete5.org/developers/installation/moving-a-site>
- https://legacy-documentation.concrete5.org/developers/installation/moving_a_site (legacy c5.6)

Now, considering you just want to move your website from a subdirectory to the root directory (or the reverse), here is a small doc

For instance, you want to move your website from

```
https://YourwebSite/PreviousSubDirectory
```

to

```
https://YourwebSite/
```

```
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```

- First, upgrade your website if required
- Log as an admin in your website:

```
https://YourwebSite/PreviousSubDirectory/index.php/login
```

- Clear the cache from the dashboard
- Put your website in maintenance
- If you don't have a recent one, **MAKE A COMPLETE BACKUP** (website + database)
- Go to your system files (FTP or SSH)
- Move ALL the files from the subdirectory to the root directory
- fix the permissions by running this command

```
chmod -R 777 packages application/config/ application/files/  
application/languages
```

.htaccess

if you have any, edit your .htaccess file:

```
replace
```

```
RewriteBase /PreviousSubDirectory/
```

with

RewriteBase /

- Log in as an admin in your moved website, <https://YourwebSite/index.php/login>
- De-activate the maintenance

<https://YourwebSite/index.php/dashboard/system/permissions/maintenance>

* Done!

Deadlinks

After that, you may check your website, mostly dead links with a tool like [linkchecker](#); a dirty solution would be to make a rewriteRule redirecting your old /PreviousSubDirectory/ to the root directory

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