



Hosting a Joomla website is not the hardest to do IF you find the right [web hosting](#) company to work with.

Many of us are looking for the cheapest hosting solution in order to save money but we shouldn't forget how much money and time will be lost if the only advantage of the hosting company we choose is just being cheap.

Server downtime and incompatibility with Joomla CMS are the top 2 reasons dropping our hosting provider and looking for a another one more reliable and joomla friendly.

Moving websites from one hosting provider to another is not the easiest thing to do, no matter if you are a Joomla Pro that develops Joomla websites for his clients or just a webmaster.

Search engines and visitors hate downtimes and dns changes in a short period time so be careful and judge your future hosting provider not only by his price but also by his **Joomla friendly hosting features**.

To help you out I m going to post server features that can classify them as Joomla friendly for both Joomla 1.6.x/1.7.x and Joomla 1.5.x versions.

Joomla 1.6.x and 1.7.x server requirements:

PHP

- Recommended: 5.3+
- Minimum: 5.2.4+

MySQL

- Recommended: 5.0.4+
- Minimum: 5.0.4+

Apache(mod_mysql, mod_xml,and mod_zlib installed)

- Recommended: 2.x+
- Minimum: 2.x+

Joomla 1.5.x server requirements:

PHP

- Recommended: 5.2+
- Minimum: 4.3.10

MySQL

- Recommended: 4.1.x+
- Minimum: 3.23

Apache(mod_mysql, mod_xml,and mod_zlib installed)

- Recommended: 2.x+
- Minimum: 1.3

I've already built my own list of [Joomla Hosting](#) providers that can host your Joomla websites, check it out and bookmark it because I'm going to post more of them as soon as possible.