

How to build website sitemap (sitemap.xml) in Joomla

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A Joomla installation I'm managing needed to have created a **sitemap.xml**

From a SEO perspective **sitemap.xml** and **sitemap.xml.gz** are absolutely necessary for a website to be well indexed in Google.

After some investigation I've found out a perfect program that makes generation of *sitemap.xml* in Joomla a piece of cake.

All necessary to be done for the *sitemap.xml* to be created comes to [download and install of Jcrawler](#)

What makes Jcrawler even better is that it's an open source program.

To install Jcrawler go in the Joomla administrator panel:

Extensions -> Install/Uninstall

You will see the Install from URL on the bottom, there place the link to the *com_jcrawler.zip* installation archive, for instance you can place the link of the downloaded copy of *com_jcrawler.zip* I've mirrored on [pc-freak.net](http://www.pc-freak.net), by placing it on http://www.pc-freak.net/files/com_jcrawler.zip

The installation will be done in a few seconds and you will hopefully be greeted with a Installation Success message.

Last thing to do in order to have the *sitemap.xml* in your Joomla based website generated is to navigate to:

Components -> Jcrawler

There a screen will appear where you can customize certain things related to the *sitemap.xml* generation, I myself used the default options and continued straight to the **Start** button.

Further on a screen will appear asking you to Submit the newly generated sitemap to; *Google, MSN, Ask.com, Moreover and Yahoo*, so press the **Submit** button.

That's all now your Joomla website will be equipped with **sitemap.xml**, enjoy!