

WebSpace - Security And Visibility, Restricting Access To Your WebSpace

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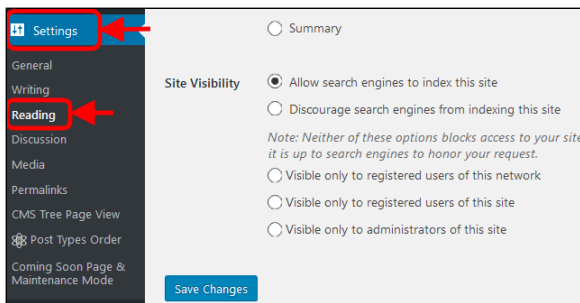
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Access Overview

There are settings that affect the visibility of individual Posts or Pages which are explained as part of the section on [how to create posts and pages](#). You can temporarily restrict access by putting up a [Under Construction or Maintenance Mode](#) page.

The settings that effect access to the site as a whole are described here. These site visibility settings are accessed from your [site dashboard](#) under Settings > Reading at the bottom of the page.



These Site Visibility options are ordered from most visible, “Allow search engines to index this site”, to least visible, “Visible only to administrators of this site”.

Public Visibility

Allow Search Engines To Index This Site

Allows search engines to index your site content and return your site as a related search result. You would use this setting when you *want* people to find your site.

Discourage search engines from indexing this site

This would be politely asking search engines to not return your site as a related search result but does not prohibit access in any way. It is up to search engines to honor your request.

Private Visibility

Visible Only To Registered Users Of This Network

Only other Royal Roads faculty or students can see your site if:

- They have a WebSpace and
- are current logged in to a WebSpace

This will override any page or post specific visibility settings.

Visible Only To Registered Users Of This Site

Only other Royal Roads faculty or students can see your site if:

- They have a WebSpace and
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- you have specifically [created a user account](#) on your WebSpace for that person

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