

PHPKB 8.0 Release Notes

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The wait is over and we are proud to announce the release of **PHPKB 8.0** knowledge base management software. It took us a little longer than expected to come up with the next major upgrade release of our knowledge base software. This version was in development from last 5 months and we had to postpone it's release 3 times. Well, it was worth the wait as PHPKB 8.0 is going to create history for being the first fully-responsive, mobile-friendly knowledge base software available out there in the market so far. You can see pure awesomeness once you login to the admin area. It is highly recommended that you test this version from your mobile devices (smartphones and tablets).



As you might be aware that we had promised to come up with a fully-responsive version of PHPKB software that will give you seamless user experience on both desktop as well as mobile devices (such as smart phones and tablet computers). Therefore, we have to completely re-design the entire layout, UI Design and re-program all screens from scratch to make them mobile-friendly. We have used Twitter Bootstrap 3 framework in PHPKB 8.0 to make it fully-responsive and mobile-friendly.

What are the major highlights of PHPKB 8.0?

1. Fully Responsive Layout Design

PHPKB 8.0 is responsive, which means it looks and works great, regardless of the device it is viewed on. Try to scale your browser window and see the results.

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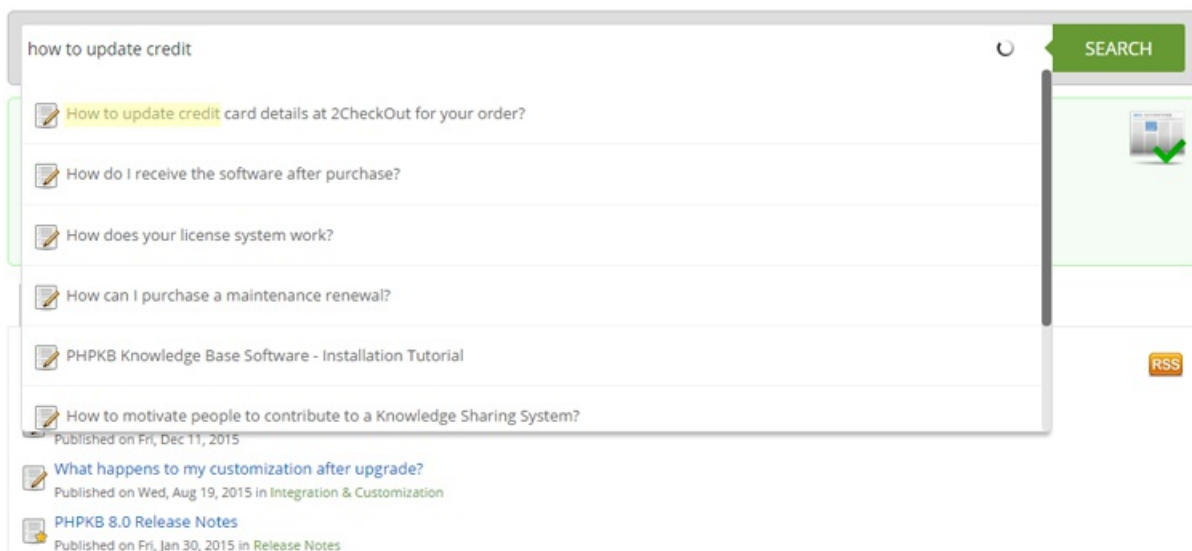
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PHPKB 8.0 is designed to fit on all browser widths and all resolutions on all mobile devices. This means you don't have to manage your knowledge base from a desktop computer any more. You know it will look and work just as great on an iPhone or an iPad as it does in your desktop or laptop.

2. Live Search Suggestions

PHPKB 8.0 offers live search (on public area) that displays the matching results (just like what you see when you search on Google and the like) as you type the keywords in the search box. This can be an exceptionally nice to use feature for your knowledge base users.



3. 100% Pure JavaScript Charts

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Flash Player is no longer a requirement to view all the beautiful charts. Pure JavaScript charts are used in PHPKB 8.0 that are solely based on native browser technologies and doesn't require client side plug-ins like Flash or Java. Furthermore you don't need to install anything on your server for these charts.



4. Compatibility

It works in all modern mobile and desktop browsers including the iPhone/iPad and other mobile devices. On iOS and Android, multi-touch support provides a seamless user experience.

5. Updating the MySQL connector to use MySQLi

PHPKB 8.x uses the "improved" extension MySQLi over normal MySQL. We have updated the mysql connector to use mysqli, which is an important change for modern server software. The mysql_* functions are deprecated in PHP 5.5. So any application running on PHP 5.5 or newer should not use mysql_* functions. The MySQLi extension is designed to work with MySQL version 4.1.13 or newer. MySQLi was introduced with PHP 5.0 and MySQLi takes advantage of the newer features of MySQL 5.

6. Easy to Customize

PHPKB 8.0 is made using Twitter Bootstrap 3 framework so you can easily customize any element of it following the structure of Bootstrap 3.

Online Demo

You can access the online demo of PHPKB 8.0 Standard Edition (English) and PHPKB 8.0 Standard Multi-Language Edition at links below.

Standard Edition (English)

- **Admin Area** : <http://www.kbdemo.com/admin/>
- **Front-end** : <http://www.kbdemo.com/>

Multi-Language Edition

- **Admin Area** : <http://www.kbdemo.com/ml/admin/>
- **Front-end** : <http://www.kbdemo.com/ml/>

Login credentials of the admin area are given below.

Superuser Account:

- Username: kbadmin

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- Password: kbadmin

Editor Account:

- Username: editor
- Password: editor

Writer Account:

- Username: writer
- Password: writer

For those who don't know, one of the key features of PHPKB knowledge base software is that with owned (on-premise or self-hosted) license, you get the source code and you are allowed to modify the source code and make your own edits. This allows for customization and a great flexibility.

Online URL: <https://www.phpkb.com/kb/article/phpkb-8-0-release-notes-62.html>

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