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# Subscribe Plugin

This is a companion plugin to the MailerContrib. It allows you to trivially add a "Subscribe me" link to topics to get subscribed to changes.

Example (only works if plugin is installed, and you are logged in (not WikiGuest)):

## Usage

Anywhere in a topic or template:

- `%SUBSCRIBE{...}%` or simply `%SUBSCRIBE%`

| Parameter         | Default                                                             | Meaning                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| who               | Logged-in user                                                      | Who to subscribe (wikiname, no web)                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| topic             | Current topic                                                       | Topic to subscribe to. Wildcards may be used e.g. <code>topic="Item*"</code> will subscribe to all topics starting with <code>Item</code> . Use <code>topic="Main.*"</code> to subscribe to the WebNotify for that web. |
| unsubscribe       | Not set                                                             | If set to "on", will <b>unsubscribe</b> the user                                                                                                                                                                        |
| format            | Simple HTML Link with an action anchor "Subscribe" or "Unsubscribe" | Defines custom look-and-feel for subscribe link using the following format variables: <code>\$topics</code> , <code>\$url</code> , <code>\$wikiname</code> , <code>\$action</code>                                      |
| formatunsubscribe | format                                                              | Serves same function as <code>format</code> , but allows the user to define a different format than <code>subscribe</code> .                                                                                            |

- The button toggles subscribe/unsubscribe if the user is already subscribed or vice versa. So after the next click on the button, the user will be unsubscribed.
- The plugin will do the best it can to optimise the subscription lists in WebNotify.

## Access Controls

The guest user is not allowed to subscribe for notification.

You don't need `VIEW` access to the WebNotify topic in order to subscribe to changes in a web, but you must have `CHANGE` access. If you want users to be able to subscribe or unsubscribe, but you don't want them to be able to modify their subscription or otherwise edit the WebNotify topic, you can restrict `VIEW` access to WebNotify. This will make it uneditable from the browser (but will not block `save` urls, so is not fully secure).

Note that permissions on individual topics are **not** checked when subscription mails are sent out, so be very careful about who you allow to subscribe.

## Plugin Installation Instructions

You do not need to install anything in the browser to use this extension. The following instructions are for the administrator who installs the extension on the server.

Open configure, and open the "Extensions" section. Use "Find More Extensions" to get a list of available extensions. Select "Install".

If you have any problems, or if the extension isn't available in `configure`, then you can still install manually from the command-line. See <http://foswiki.org/Support/ManuallyInstallingExtensions> for more help.

## Plugin Info

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| License:        | GPL (GNU General Public License)                                                                                                                                                                                         |                |                       |
| Plugin Version: | 1150 (03 Dec 2008)                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                |                       |
| Dependencies:   | <b>Name</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Version</b> | <b>Description</b>    |
|                 | Foswiki::Contrib::MailerContrib                                                                                                                                                                                          | >=0            | Foswiki mailer module |
| Change History: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                |                       |
| 03 Dec 2008     | Re-released for Foswiki                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                |                       |
| 15 Oct 2008     | TWikibug:Item4115: enable subscriptions with (child), TWikibug:Item5950: fix cross web SUBSCRIPTION indication (requires updated MailerContrib) can now get feedback to %SUBSCRIBE{topic="*"}% - TWiki:Main.SvenDowideit |                |                       |
| 25 May 2008     | TWikibug:Item5488: merged TWiki:Main.DavidPatterson's patch to fix deep subscription                                                                                                                                     |                |                       |
| 25 Jan 2008     | TWikibug:Item4812: added TWiki:Main.BobGoldstein's noexpand patch for groups                                                                                                                                             |                |                       |
| 9 Sep 2007      | TWikibug:Item4175 added MAKETEXT in case the string is available                                                                                                                                                         |                |                       |
| 13966           | TWikiBug?:Item4155 Fixed for 4.0.x and 4.1.x                                                                                                                                                                             |                |                       |
| 13787           | TWikibug:Item4010 - fix web subscription, and format parameters. - TWiki:Main.SvenDowideit                                                                                                                               |                |                       |
| 13525           | TWikibug:Item3731 - Update documentation topic.                                                                                                                                                                          |                |                       |
| 13512           | TWikibug:Item3731 - final pre-release tweaks, result of testing on 4.1.2                                                                                                                                                 |                |                       |
| 13510           | TWikibug:Item3731 - completed the plugin now that the Mailer updates are done                                                                                                                                            |                |                       |
| 13506           | TWikibug:Item3731 - Update dependency to latest version of MailerContrib                                                                                                                                                 |                |                       |
| 13081           | TWikibug:Item3731 - Added SubscribePlugin, and cleaned up and updated APIs in MailerContrib                                                                                                                              |                |                       |
| 24 Apr 2007     | First version                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                |                       |
| Plugin Home:    | <a href="http://foswiki.org/Extensions/SubscribePlugin">http://foswiki.org/Extensions/SubscribePlugin</a>                                                                                                                |                |                       |

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