

# Enable Exporting to PDF

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To export multiple articles to PDF or HTML files you need to:

- Install a program called **WKHTMLTOPDF** (recommended) or **HTMLDOC**
- Ensure **Settings** points to where you installed it
- Ensure that PHP has access to your HTMLDOC directory. (Check your `open_basedir` PHP setting in `php.ini`)
- Ensure that PHP can run the `proc_open` function. (Check your `disable_functions`, `safe_mode_exec_dir` PHP settings in `php.ini`)
- **Buy** the export **plugin** or try it in [Demo mode](#)
- Add the plugin key to your KBPublisher settings

## Using WKHTMLTOPDF (recommended)

- WKHTMLTOPDF is available from <https://wkhtmltopdf.org>
- Download it and install it

### Update the setting to point to WKHTMLTOPDF

Once you have installed WKHTMLTOPDF, you also need to set the correct path it in the Settings.

- You can find this under Settings menu, **Settings -> Plugins -> Export -> WKHTMLTOPDF installation path**
- Make sure the **WKHTMLTOPDF installation path** points to the directory where you installed HTMLDOC. For example: `/usr/local/bin/`.
- When you click "Save", test HTML file will be parsed and error occurs if it failed.

### Test WKHTMLTOPDF from command line

To convert a single web page type:

```
$/path_to_wkhtmltopdf/wkhtmltopdf input.html output.pdf
```

Test using PHP and included test file:

```
$ php -r "exec('/path_to_wkhtmltopdf/wkhtmltopdf http://path_to_kbp/admin/extra/plugin/export2/template/export_test.html output.pdf');"
```

## Using HTMLDOC

**Note:** At this time there is no commercial support for the HTMLDOC. The windows binaries can be found [here](#).

- HTMLDOC is available from <https://www.msweet.org/htmldoc/>
- Download it and install it

### Update the setting to point to HTMLDOC

Once you have installed HTMLDOC, you also need to set the correct path it in the Settings.

- You can find this under Settings menu, **Settings -> Plugins -> Export -> HTMLDOC installation path**
- Make sure the **HTMLDOC installation path** points to the directory where you installed HTMLDOC. For example: `/usr/local/bin/`.
- When you click "Save", test HTML file will be parsed and error occurs if it failed.

### Test HTMLDOC from command line

To convert a single web page type:

```
$/path_to_html/doc/html/doc --webpage -f output.pdf filename.html
```

Test using PHP and included test file:

```
$ cd /path/to/kbp_directory
$ php -r "system('/path_to_html/doc/html/doc --webpage -f output.pdf admin/extra/plugin/export/template/export_test.html');"
```

## Buy the plugin

Export functionality is not available with the default KBPublisher package. You must purchase it separately. Please see [this article](#) how to buy the plugin.

### Add the plugin key to KBPublisher

You should have received an email with you plug-in key. If you can't find the email, you can also get this from the **My Licenses** tab in your [client area](#) on the KBPublisher website.

- Copy the license key from your client area or the email
- Log on to your knowledgebase
- Go to the **Admin Area**
- Click on the **Settings** menu
- Click on the **Plugins -> Export** tab
- Paste your key into the **Plugin key** field
- **Save**.

Tip:

- If you want to try the export plugin before you buy, use [demo](#) mode to get an idea of how it works.

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