Checking your server & Tiki settings

On tiki-admin_security.php, you can check for less secure server or TikiWiki settings.

### PHP settings

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<td>cannot check if the upload_tmp_dir is accessible via web browser. To be sure you should check your webserver config.</td>
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<td>register_globals</td>
<td>safe</td>
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<td>session.use_trans_sid</td>
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<td>gal_use_dir</td>
<td>imagegals/unsafe</td>
<td>The Path to store files in the imagegallery should be outside the tiki root directory</td>
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Check your files

File check (at tiki-admin_security.php) will detect any PHP files (and .tpl files in recent versions of Tiki), but not images (.jpg, .gif, .png) which have been altered compared to the default, clean install of Tiki.

This is the result of checking all PHP files in my local install compared to the default/clean Tiki install.

It is normal that local.php be modified. If you check the file:

```php
<?php
$db_tiki='mysql';
$dbversion_tiki='1.9';
-host_tiki='localhost';
$user_tiki='my_database_user_name';
$pass_tiki='my_database_secret_password';
$ dbs_tiki='my_database_name';
?>
```

**db/local.php should look like this**

It is also normal that tiki-install.php be modified (as you probably clicked to de-activate it). All other modified files should have been by you.

Please note that if you **update your site via SVN**, it's normal that some files are reported because the secDB
database is typically only updated at release time.

On more recent versions of Tiki, it's also normal that language files are flagged because they are compressed after the security check is done. This is solved starting in Tiki 9.2

Also, starting in Tiki 9.2, Tiki not only checks .php files but also .tpl, .css, .sql and .js

**Robots Exclusion (Banning Search engines)**

For some uses you may wish to prevent search engines from crawling, indexing or archiving your site. See: [Robots Exclusion Protocol](https://www.sheerID.com/) and [Meta Tags](https://www.meta-tags.org/)

**User/Content Security**

see: [Groups](https://www.groups.com/)

**Securing your webserver**

If you are using Apache webserver, you can also secure it (and therefore, secure tiki) by means on enabling "mod_security".

See [ModSecurity](https://www.modsecurity.org/) for more information.

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More info:

[http://tiki.org/AdminSecurity](http://tiki.org/AdminSecurity)

Alias names for this page

SecDB | SecurityAdmin | Security