


# Search Engine Friendly URL

## Overview

This feature shortens and simplifies URLs, which make them both more friendly for users and for search engines

## To access

Click the **SEFURL** icon  on the Admin Panel  
or Access **http://example.org/tiki-admin.php?page=sefurl**

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### ⚠ Important Note

*Search Engine Friendly URLs will not work unless the .htaccess file is enabled. Instructions for enabling .htaccess*

**This setting may bring down your website if there is an issue with your .htaccess file.**

Prior enabling this option check you have access to your database to disable it manually in case of.

*Do not use this feature when installing Tiki on IIS server.*

Option	Description	Default
Search engine friendly URL	If the site is using Apache, you can rename _htaccess as .htaccess to use short URLs. On IIS, rename web_config as web.config	Disabled
Canonical URL tag	Indicates to search engines which URL to use, to prevent duplicate listings	Enabled
HTTPS for user-specific links	When building notification emails, RSS feeds, the canonical URL or other externally available links, use HTTPS when the content applies to a specific user. HTTPS must be configured on the server.	Disabled

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Canonical URL domain	If this is a testing site with duplicate content, you may want to put the real site domain here so search engines don't index the testing site. In complex perspective setups using multiple domains, you may want more control on which canonical domain is advertised.	None
Wiki URL scheme	<p>Alter the SEFURL pattern for page names.</p> <p>👉 <i>Use the "View" action to regenerate your URLs after changing this setting.</i></p> <p>☰ Replace spaces with dashes   Replace spaces with underscores   URL Encode (Tiki Classic)</p>	Replace spaces with dashes
Custom Routes	Custom routes allow the definition of URLs by the admin, that can be mapped to existing Tiki objects like pages and trackers. "Add BASE tag in the page HEAD" is required when you have "/" as part of the URL.	Enabled
Short URL	Provides the ability to create a short url, easy to share.	Disabled
Short URL base URL	The base URL that is used when generating short URLs, including the HTTP prefix, example: "http://www.example.com". By default will use the URL of the current website.	None
SEFURL postfilter	⚠️ <i>Do not enable this feature as most Tiki features output friendly URLs and this feature has high processor overhead.</i>	Disabled
Max size of title in the search engine friendly URL (Tracker Items and Forum Threads)	Limit the number of characters in the tracker item or forum thread title.	200
Article title in SEFURL	The article title rather than article number can be displayed in the search engine friendly URL.	Enabled
Blog title in SEFURL	The blog title rather than blog number can be displayed in the search engine friendly URL.	Enabled
Display forum thread or forum post title in the search engine friendly URL		Enabled
Tracker title in SEFURL	To display the title, you should disable `Rewrite tiki-view_tracker.php?itemId=yyy to Prefixyyy page`	Enabled
Rewrite tiki-view_tracker.php?itemId=yyy to Prefixyyy page	This redirection uses the wiki prefix alias feature	Disabled
Use Only ASCII in SEFURLs	Do not use accented characters in short (search engine friendly) URLs.	Disabled

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URL Frgament format	Provides ability to change anchor format ✱ <i>Set to "Complete" to change the encoding and allow anchors to contain other characters in addition to ASCII letters and digits.</i> ☰ Strict   Complete	Strict
URL Fragment Guesser	Scroll to the closest anchor when the one indicated in the URL is missing in a page.	Disabled