

# SECURING WOOCOMMERCE

WITHOUT SCARING  
CUSTOMERS



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Password:

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Forgot Password?

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Birthday:

Month: ▼

Day: ▼

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By clicking Sign Up, you are indicating that you have read and agree to the [Terms of Use](#) and [Privacy Policy](#).

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## Phishing

Slides: [scaledynamix.com/WCATL](https://scaledynamix.com/WCATL)

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## Types of security

1. Invisible but effective
2. Intrusive and annoying







## Create account

Your name

Email

Password

*i* Passwords must be at least 6 characters.

Re-enter password

Create your Amazon account

By creating an account, you agree to Amazon's  
[Conditions of Use](#) and [Privacy Notice](#).

Already have an account? [Sign in](#) ▶

```
root@server: ~  
root@server:~# curl -I https://www.amazon.com  
HTTP/1.1 503 Service Unavailable  
Content-Type: text/html  
Content-Length: 2671  
Connection: keep-alive  
Server: Server  
Date: Mon, 11 Feb 2019 01:43:20 GMT  
Vary: Content-Type,Host,Cookie,Accept-Encoding,X-Amzn-CDN-Cache,User-Agent  
Last-Modified: Fri, 18 Jan 2019 21:39:11 GMT  
ETag: "a6f-57fc257719dc0"  
Accept-Ranges: bytes  
x-amz-rid: APS83VNBPJ2NSPVSJXS0  
X-Cache: Error from cloudfront  
Via: 1.1 e4b6271438d0996ea6650d16006bc05a.cloudfront.net (CloudFront)  
X-Amz-Cf-Id: yjhmhb0kSMAUqYJtRyjsBgr-F5KxhnGBT9a-xTW1eYGLYBvEaNf18Q==  
  
root@server:~#
```

```
root@server: ~  
root@server:~# curl -I https://www.ebay.com  
HTTP/1.1 302 Moved Temporarily  
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff  
x-xss-protection: 1; mode=block  
x-frame-options: SAMEORIGIN  
Location: http://pages.ebay.com/messages/page_not_found.html  
Content-Length: 0  
rlogid: undefined  
Strict-Transport-Security: max-age=31536000  
Date: Mon, 11 Feb 2019 01:44:55 GMT  
Connection: keep-alive  
  
root@server:~#
```

## Sign In

### Sign In to Your Equifax account

User Name:

Password:

[Forgot User Name or Password?](#)

**Sign In**



#### Password Tip

Your Password was specified when you first established your account.

Show all saved passwords

Emoji Win+Period

Undo Ctrl+Z

Redo Ctrl+Shift+Z

Cut Ctrl+X

Copy Ctrl+C

**Paste Ctrl+V**

Paste as plain text Ctrl+Shift+V

Select all Ctrl+A

Spellcheck ▶

Writing Direction ▶

Inspect Ctrl+Shift+I

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```
root@server: ~  
root@server:~# curl -I https://www.equifax.com/personal/  
HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Date: Mon, 11 Feb 2019 01:53:07 GMT  
Content-Length: 101155  
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8  
ETag: "0"  
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff  
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN  
X-XSS-Protection: 1  
Liferay-Portal: Liferay Digital Experience Platform  
Set-Cookie: JSESSIONID=60C8BE60ABFCD8538A3C57928134DD95; Path=/; Secure; HttpOnly  
Set-Cookie: COOKIE_SUPPORT=true; Expires=Tue, 11-Feb-2020 01:53:07 GMT; Path=/; Secure; HttpOnly  
Set-Cookie: GUEST_LANGUAGE_ID=en_US; Domain=.equifax.com; Expires=Tue, 11-Feb-2020 01:53:07 GMT; Path=/; Secure; HttpOnly  
Set-Cookie: ApplicationGatewayAffinity=e82b65a6f1da1a860b72d678f4f3e4218635930ef3b5ef9ddbfe0cc0a9099597; Path=/; Domain=www.equifax.com  
Set-Cookie: TS01b82cf0=01e7cb8be3ae82c55f6d94c6fb4b610f74849c0ac9c52e71ef51db48b2c3c23ee1b7e8a30679eee7c8367c00b18b31c032d00f47b98e5dd341909d568ce4051f538f88d6993369e9ea09385155505247c406694c86c4179866be8c07a092fc39abb5e35ecdce783a407b5a6d5798db8c9778c1d495; Path=/; Domain=.equifax.com; Secure; HTTPOnly  
root@server:~#
```

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## Difference between WordPress and WooCommerce security

1. What happens when a WordPress site gets hacked?
2. What happens when a WooCommerce site gets hacked?

## Doesn't my host take care of this?

Host will usually:

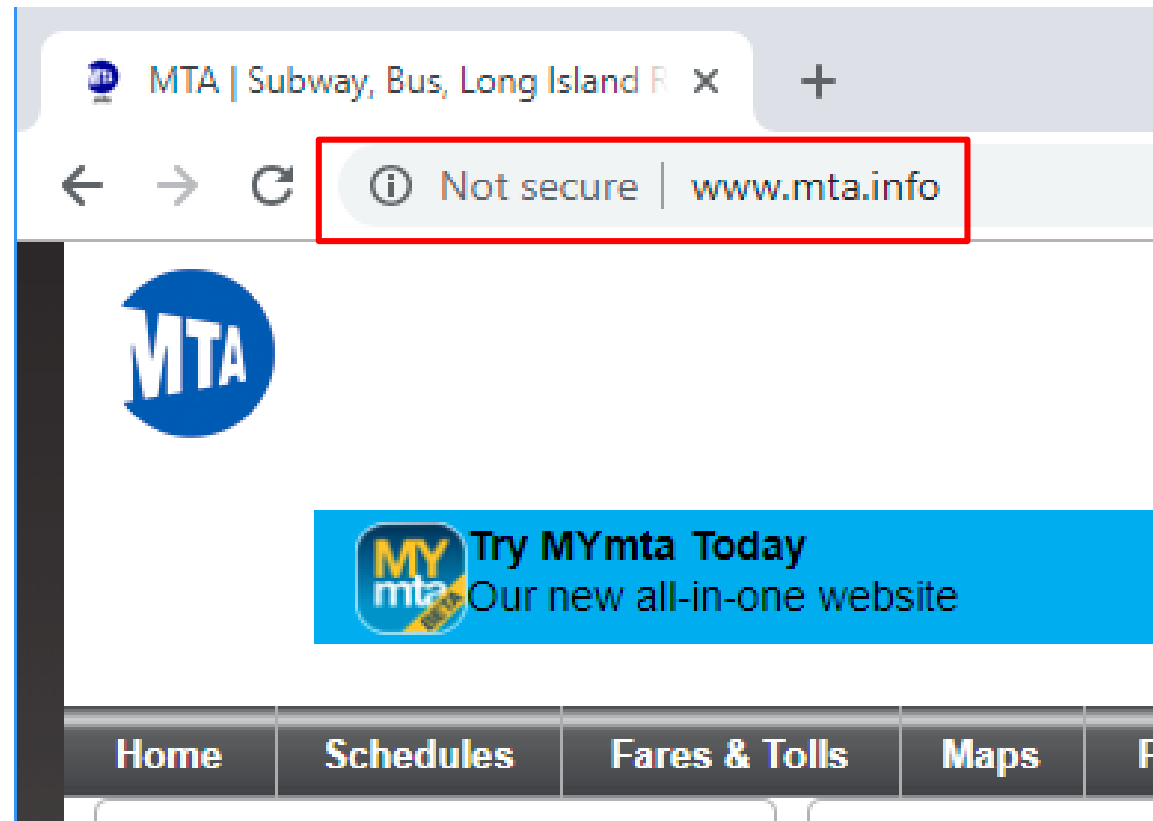
- ✓ Update WordPress core, maybe plugins
- ✓ Protect from brute force and DDoS attacks
- ✓ Maybe block malware

Host can not:

- ✗ Protect against poorly coded plugins or themes
- ✗ Protect against Weak password / Stolen laptop / Stolen phone
- ✗ Protect against human error

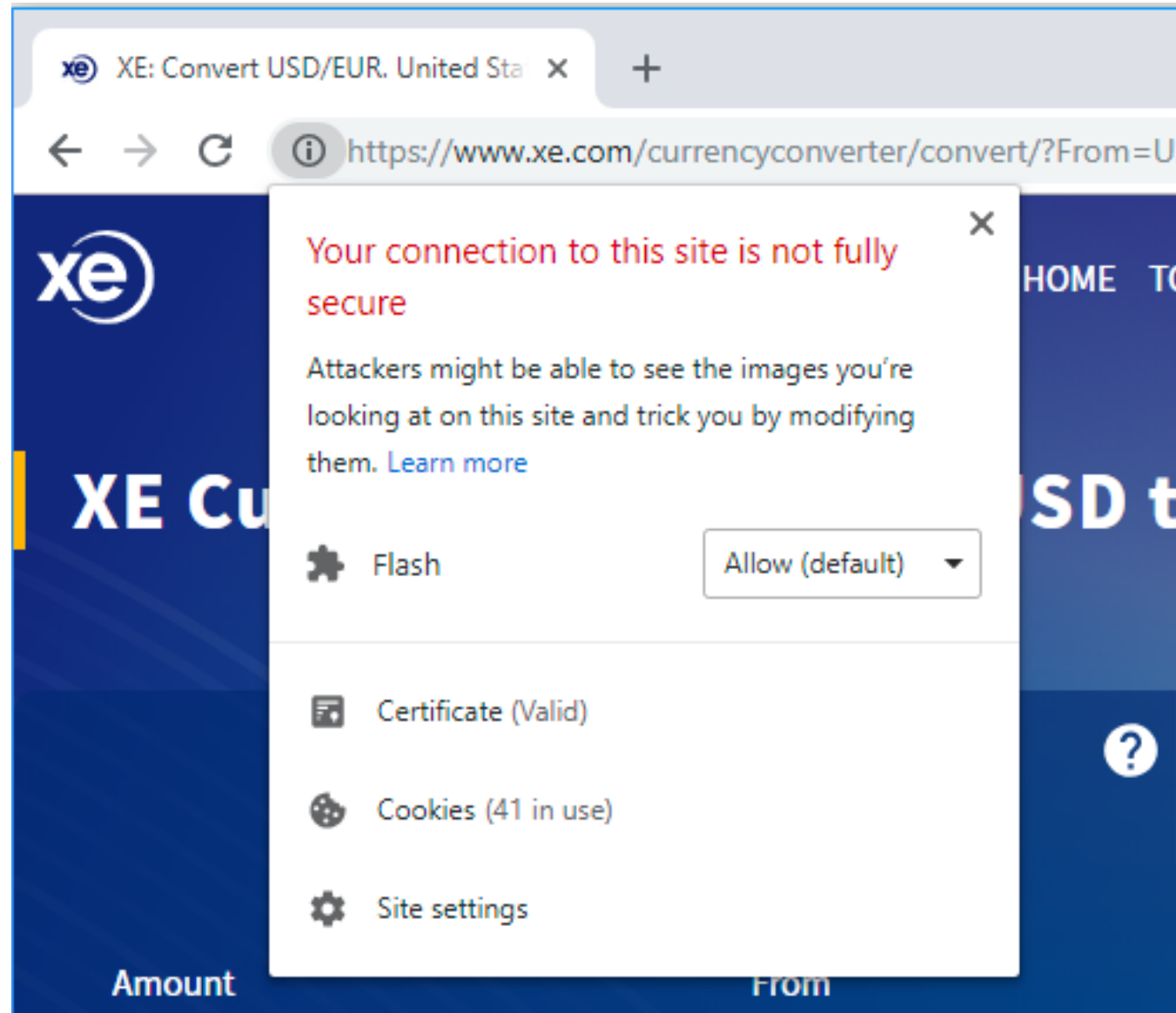
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- Lack of SSL
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- Security plugins that slow down your site
- Aggressive captchas

Please prove that you are human.

### Word Verification

Type the 2 words and press Continue

Continue

## Which security issues affect conversions?

- Lack of SSL
- Mixed content warnings
- Security plugins that slow down your site
- Aggressive captchas
- Trigger happy firewalls
- Complex password policies

Sorry, but your password must contain an uppercase letter, a number, a hieroglyph, a feather from a hawk and the blood of a unicorn.

someecards  
user card



## Which security issues affect conversions?

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- Aggressive captchas
- Trigger happy firewalls
- Complex password policies
- Emails that end up in spam

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## Securing WooCommerce

- Use a good hosting provider

## Is my host any good?

Good Host will not:

- ❌ Ask last 4 characters of your password
- ❌ Show other users' data in your SFTP account
- ❌ Allow downloading .sql / .git / .tar.gz files without authentication


## Securing WooCommerce

- Use a good hosting provider
- Use SSL. Use Really-simple-ssl plugin if there are mixed-content warnings
- Use strong passwords everywhere
- Use 2 Factor Authentication where available
- Offer 2 Factor Authentication to your customers using Auth0 / Google authenticator plugin
- Use invisible captcha (Use invisible-recaptcha or advanced-nocaptcha plugin)
- Use SMTP service like Sendgrid / Mailgun / Sparkpost / Mailjet

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## Securing WooCommerce Code

- Check if you are using any outdated plugins

 **WORDPRESS.ORG**

Search WordPress.org

Showcase Themes **Plugins** Mobile Support Get Involved About Blog Hosting


Get WordPress

Plugins

My Favorites Beta Testing Developers

Search plugins

This plugin hasn't been tested with the latest 3 major releases of WordPress. It may no longer be maintained or supported and may have compatibility issues when used with more recent versions of WordPress.



**uWSGI Object Cache**

By [Andrew Bevitt](#)

Download

Details

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Development

**Description**

uWSGI Object Cache for WordPress.

**WARNING:** This requires a manual install.

GitHub repository: <https://github.com/andrewbevitt/uwsgi-object-cache>

**Contributors & Developers**

Version: 1.1

Last updated: 4 years ago

Active installations: Fewer than 10

WordPress Version: 3.5 or higher

Tested up to: 4.2.22

Tag: cache

## Securing WooCommerce Code

- Check if you are using any outdated plugins
- Check functions.php for keywords like `eval()`, `exec()`, `base64_decode()`, `file_get_contents()`, `curl_exec()`
- Use `wp-cli`
  - `wp core verify-checksums`

## wp core verify-checksums

```
# Verify checksums
$ wp core verify-checksums
Success: WordPress installation verifies against checksums.

$ wp core verify-checksums
Warning: File doesn't verify against checksum: wp-includes/version.php
Warning: File doesn't verify against checksum: readme.html
Warning: File doesn't verify against checksum: wp-config-sample.php
Error: WordPress installation doesn't verify against checksums.
```

## Securing WooCommerce Code

- Check if you are using any outdated plugins
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- Use wp-cli
  - `wp core verify-checksums`
  - `wp package install markri/wp-sec`  
`wp wp-sec check`



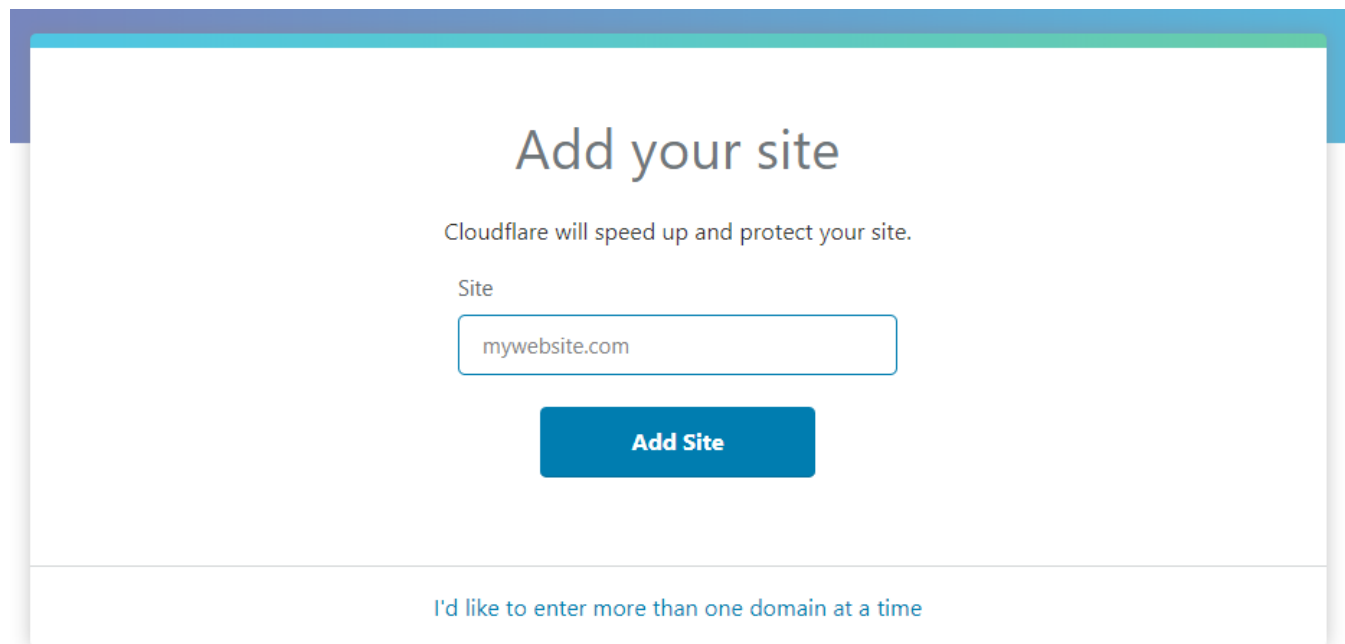
# Blocking hackers before they reach your server

1. Cloudflare

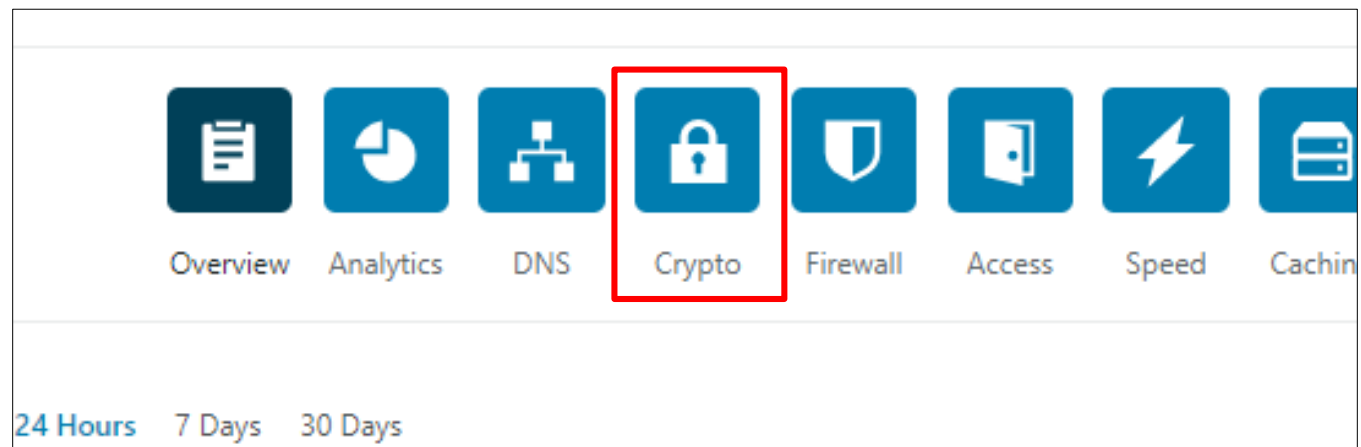
2. Amazon WAF

3. Sucuri WAF

# cloudflare.com

A screenshot of the Cloudflare 'Add your site' form. The form is white with a blue border and a blue header. It contains the title 'Add your site', a sub-header 'Cloudflare will speed up and protect your site.', a label 'Site', a text input field containing 'mywebsite.com', and a blue 'Add Site' button. At the bottom, there is a link 'I'd like to enter more than one domain at a time'.

## Crypto Tab



# SSL Mode: Full

## SSL

Encrypt communication to and from your website [using SSL](#).

It may take up to 24 hours after the site becomes active on Cloudflare for new certificates to issue.

**Universal SSL Status** ● Active Certificate

This setting was last changed a few seconds ago

Full ▼

[API](#) ▶

[Help](#) ▶

# Enable HSTS

## HTTP Strict Transport Security (HSTS)

Enforce web security policy for your website.

Enable HSTS

[API ▶](#)

[Help ▶](#)



## Your connection is not private

Attackers might be trying to steal your information from **192.168.100.40** (for example, passwords, messages, or credit cards).

[Hide advanced](#)

Reload

192.168.100.40 normally uses encryption to protect your information. When Chrome tried to connect to 192.168.100.40 this time, the website sent back unusual and incorrect credentials. Either an attacker is trying to pretend to be 192.168.100.40, or a Wi-Fi sign-in screen has interrupted the connection. Your information is still secure because Chrome stopped the connection before any data was exchanged.

You cannot visit 192.168.100.40 right now because the website uses HSTS. Network errors and attacks are usually temporary, so this page will probably work later.

NET::ERR\_CERT\_AUTHORITY\_INVALID

# Minimum TLS Version: 1.2

## Minimum TLS Version

Only allow HTTPS connections from visitors that support the selected TLS protocol version or newer.

TLS 1.2 ▼

[API ▶](#)

[Help ▶](#)

## Firewall Tab > Block known bots

Create Firewall Rule

×

Rule name

Give your rule a descriptive name

Known Bots

When incoming requests match...

Field

Known Bots × ▾

Operator

equals ▾

Value

On ◀▶

And

Or

Expression Preview

Edit expression

(cf.client.bot)

Then...

Choose an action

Block ▾

Cancel

Save as Draft

Save and Deploy



# Disaster recovery planning

## I. Backups

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## Good Backup Strategy

1. Frequency
2. Destination
3. Verification



# Disaster recovery planning

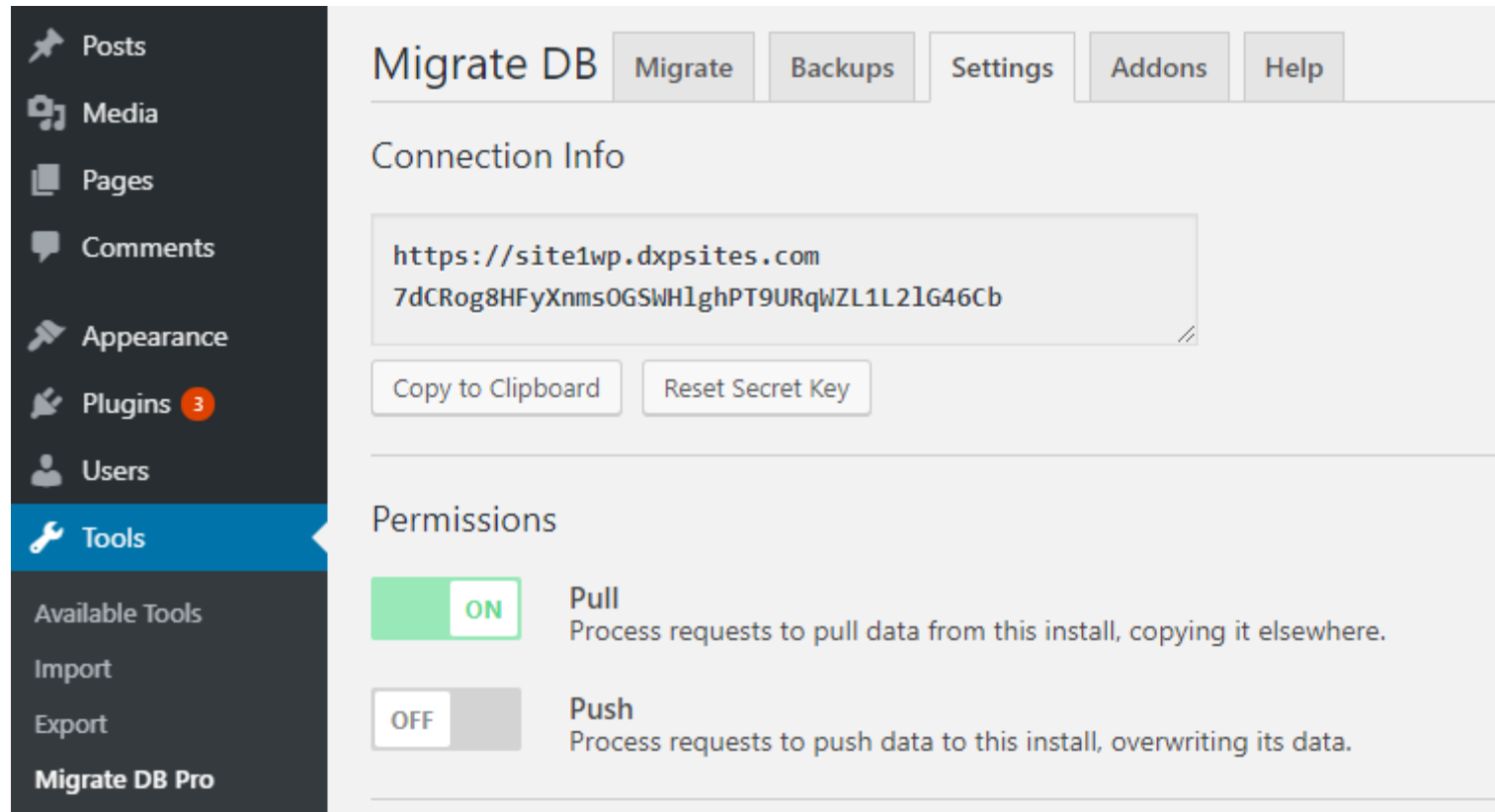
1. Backups
2. Printed copy of 2 factor authentication recovery codes
3. Warm Standby



## Creating a warm standby

1. Signup with another host using same domain name, restore latest site backup
2. Install and configure wp-migrate-db pro with wp-cli addon

## wp-migrate-db pro



The screenshot displays the wp-migrate-db pro interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation links: Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, Appearance, Plugins (with a red badge showing '3'), Users, Tools (highlighted in blue), Available Tools, Import, Export, and Migrate DB Pro. The main content area has a title 'Migrate DB' and a sub-header with tabs: Migrate, Backups, Settings, Addons, and Help. The 'Settings' tab is active. Under the 'Connection Info' section, there is a text box containing the URL 'https://site1wp.dxp sites.com' and a secret key '7dCRog8HFyXnmsOGSWHlghPT9URqWZL1L2lG46Cb'. Below the text box are two buttons: 'Copy to Clipboard' and 'Reset Secret Key'. The 'Permissions' section contains two toggle switches. The first toggle, labeled 'Pull', is turned 'ON' (green) and has the description 'Process requests to pull data from this install, copying it elsewhere.' The second toggle, labeled 'Push', is turned 'OFF' (grey) and has the description 'Process requests to push data to this install, overwriting its data.'

## Creating a warm standby

1. Signup with another host using same domain name, restore latest site backup
2. Install and configure wp-migrate-db pro with wp-cli addon
3. Setup this cron job on new hosting account:

```
wp migratedb pull https://mysite.com [secret] --media=compare
```

```
--preserve-active-plugins
```



## Using warm standby

1. Update DNS to point to new host
2. Done

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## Resources

- [haveibeenpwned.com](https://haveibeenpwned.com) (Have I been Pwned)
- [wpvulndb.com](https://wpvulndb.com)
- [blog.sucuri.net](https://blog.sucuri.net)
- [scaledynamix.com/blog](https://scaledynamix.com/blog)



# Thank You!

## Questions?