Configuring Hotlink Protection

Prevent other websites from embedding your images and wasting your bandwidth.

Hotlink protection stops external sites from linking directly to your images and files, which can consume your bandwidth without benefiting your site.

Enable hotlink protection

1. Go to **Account Manager → Hotlink Protection**.
2. Select the domain to protect.
3. Enable hotlink protection.
4. Add allowed domains that may reference your files (include your own domain and any CDN domains).
5. Specify file extensions to protect (commonly `jpg`, `png`, `gif`, `pdf`).
6. Save your settings.

Redirect behaviour

You can configure hotlinked requests to show a replacement image or return a forbidden error. Allow your own domain and subdomains so internal pages continue to display images correctly.

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