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Indexes

Control directory listing behavior and default index pages in cPanel.

The **Indexes** tool controls whether visitors see a file listing when a directory has no index page — important for security and presentation.

Configure directory indexing

1. Go to **Advanced → Indexes**.
2. Navigate to the directory you want to configure.
3. Choose one of the options:
   - **Default System Setting** — use server defaults.
   - **Fancy Indexing** — styled directory listing.
   - **No Indexing** — show a 403 forbidden page instead of a file list.
4. Save your selection.

Security recommendation

Disable directory indexing for `public_html` and upload folders unless you intentionally want files browsable. Exposed listings can reveal backup files, configuration copies, or private media.

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