

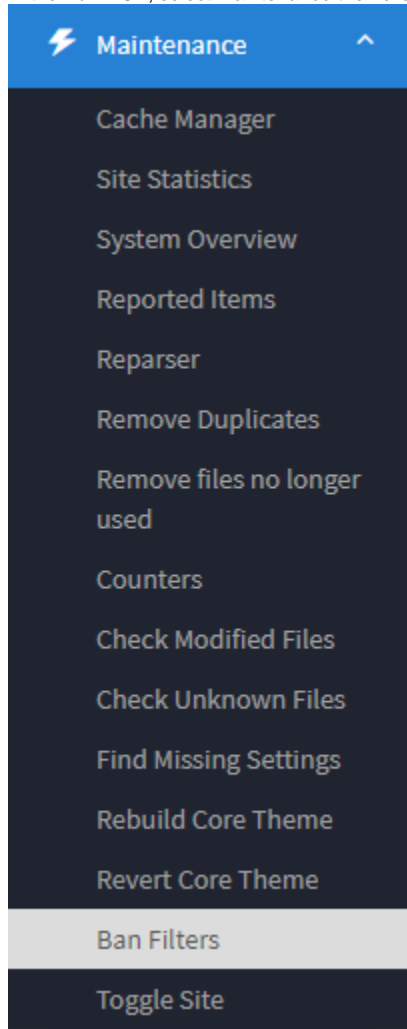
Managing Ban Filters

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Ban Filters can be an important part of site and user management. It can help keep spammers, stalkers, uncontrollable users from accessing and disrupting your site. This deals with the Ban Filters and how to manage those.

In the AdminCP, select Maintenance then click Ban Filters



ADD FILTER

1. Select specific option to Ban
2. Click the one you want to add a ban filter for. If you have some already, you'll see a list of banned things. If you don't have any, you'll see a box on the right to add a ban filter. For this example, we'll use a spammer IP address with wildcard filter to show you how to do that too.
3. You can use Search Filter to find the IP address you want to ban or use Add Filter to enter IP manually.

4. Toggle to enable/disable

The screenshot shows the 'IP Address' management interface. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with 'Maintenance' selected. The main content area is divided into two sections. The top section, 'Add Filter', includes a search filter, an IP address field (containing '213.186.137*'), a 'Ban User' dropdown (set to 'NO'), and an 'Add' button. The bottom section, 'Reason', includes a text area for the reason, a 'Ban for how many days' field (set to '0'), a 'User Groups' dropdown (set to 'Registered User'), and a list of 'User groups affected' (Registered User, Guest, Banned, Fancy girls). Red annotations with numbers 1-4 point to the search filter, the IP address field, the 'Add' button, and the 'NO' dropdown respectively. A red arrow points to the 'NO' dropdown with the text 'Enable this button to complete'. The URL 'https://qctest.phpfox.us/vientt/index.php/' is visible at the bottom left.

- In the above image, you see that we use an asterisk to use a wildcard for this ban. That will make it ban/block any IP address that starts with all of the numbers before the asterisk. You can do wildcard bans for the other types of ban filters too. The asterisk can go before or after your word or numbers depending on what you are trying to ban.
- If you make a mistake, as there is no edit for these, you would just delete it by clicking to the left of the filter you want to remove and click Delete.

The screenshot shows a table with the header 'IP Address'. The table contains three rows, each with a 'Delete' button. The first 'Delete' button is highlighted with a red box. The table is partially obscured by a grey overlay.