Duplicator

Duplicator Documentation

Documentation, Reference Materials, and Tutorials for Duplicator

Changelog

Starting with version 5.0.0, Duplicator Pro and Lite ship from one engine and one release. Earlier releases keep their original Pro and Lite version numbers.

Previous versions ↓

LATEST RELEASE

5.1.0 27th October 2026 PRO + LITE

Duplicator Pro 5.1.0 introduces Incremental Backups: after one full baseline, hourly backups store only the files and database tables that changed, off-site in Duplicator Cloud, with far less server load and restores to any point in the chain. This release also makes database exports resumable, exposes Duplicator's AI abilities to MCP clients, raises the minimum WordPress version to 6.2, and fixes several security, licensing and Activity Log issues.

PHP VERSION	WORDPRESS VERSION	TESTED UP TO
7.4+	6.2 or greater	7.1

PRO AND LITE

16 changes

NEW **Base:** Duplicator's AI abilities are now available to MCP clients through the WordPress MCP Adapter, and the Backup status ability explains why a Backup failed

UPD **Backups:** Database exports are now saved one file per table and can resume from where they stopped, making Backups of large databases more reliable

UPD **Backups:** Backups requested by other plugins now show the requesting plugin and its reason in the Activity Log and on the Backup details page

UPD **Backups:** The path filters tooltip now states that the listed files and folders are excluded from the Backup

UPD **Base:** Minimum supported WordPress version raised to 6.2, and improved compatibility with PHP 8.5

UPD **Base:** The default Activity Log retention is now 3 months

FIX **Backups:** Fixed safety Backups requested by other plugins applying the default template's exclusions and being refused for harmless warnings

FIX **Backups:** Fixed the missing Activity Log link for Backups that failed or were cancelled before the build started

FIX **Base:** Fixed settings and license activation being lost after a reload when stored plugin data was unreadable

FIX **Base:** Hardened the Tools log pages, restricting log clearing to users who can manage settings

FIX **Base:** Fixed a security issue in the settings import that could create unexpected objects from a crafted file

FIX **Base:** Updated bundled JavaScript libraries to address security advisories

FIX **Migration:** Fixed a security issue in database restore where crafted stored values could alter the installer's queries INSTALLER

FIX **Migration:** Installer entry points now run only inside a valid Backup package, and installer templates block direct access INSTALLER

FIX **Migration:** Fixed a malware scanner false positive on an installer database file INSTALLER

FIX **Storage:** Fixed failed OAuth token refreshes being silently treated as successful

PRO ONLY 3 changes

NEW **Backups:** New Incremental Backups with Duplicator Cloud: after one full baseline, each hourly run stores only the files and database tables that changed, with per-snapshot change details, per-table and per-path watch/exclude rules, a "keep last N backups" retention setting, local snapshot downloads and restore to any point in the chain. Runs are skipped automatically when nothing changed or the cloud storage is full, and the feature is included in the Pro, Elite and Enterprise plans

FIX **Backups:** Fixed fixes from an earlier Backup appearing in the Activity Log after a manual storage transfer or a WP-CLI build

FIX **Base:** Fixed the license staying inactive after the Lite to Pro one-click upgrade

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Duplicator 5.0.0 introduces AutoTune, proactive configuration validation, actionable failure guidance, AI-assisted backup operations, and a redesigned backup experience. Backup creation, storage, migration, security, and upgrades are more reliable across both Pro and the new shared-engine Lite edition.

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PRO AND LITE

22 changes

NEW **Base:** Added AI Ready support through the WordPress Abilities API, with a Tools → AI page and abilities to list Backups, create full or database-only Backups, and monitor their status.

NEW **Backups:** Introduced AutoTune, which runs real test Backups to find a reliable configuration for the current server, reports host-level issues, protects active sessions, and automatically pauses and resumes schedules.

NEW **Backups:** Added centralized pre-backup validation for archive engines, compression, encryption, database engines, server

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requirements, paths, and leftover installer files, with safe defaults and automatic correction of unavailable settings.

NEW **Backups:** Added unified failure notices with plain-language explanations, troubleshooting guidance, documentation and Activity Log links, AutoTune recommendations, and one-click fixes where available.

NEW **Backups:** Added resumable gzip compression for database dumps, reducing Backup size and improving reliability for large databases on time-limited servers. The installer now decompresses these dumps before restoration. INSTALLER

NEW **Backups:** Added a shared Backup Request API that lets supported integrations create safety Backups and monitor their status before destructive operations.

NEW **Storage:** Added Duplicator Cloud support to Lite, including off-site storage, remote download and Restore, cloud recovery metadata, and account connection through a storage token.

NEW **Upgrade:** Moved Lite onto the shared Duplicator engine and added automatic

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migration of legacy Lite Backups, settings, filters, installer security, naming preferences, consent choices, and dismissed notices.

UPD **Base:** Restored in-plugin notifications across Pro and Lite, with safer cache cleanup during upgrades, variant changes, reactivation, and Debug resets.

UPD **Backups:** Redesigned the Backups list, Backup Details, New Backup, and Template interfaces with environment snapshots, phase timings, clearer security controls, normalized status flags, improved remote actions, and responsive layouts.

UPD **Backups:** Improved worker reliability with automatic HTTP Basic Authentication detection, dual SQL/file process locking, retryable loopback detection, consistent creation guards, and better diagnostics for interrupted background processes.

UPD **Backups:** Persisted the exact build options and execution origin used by each Backup, ensuring progress, telemetry, details, schedules, WP-CLI, AI, and legacy records report consistent information.

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UPD **Backups:** Removed the obsolete Share button and Backup File Links dialog while retaining the existing Download, Build Log, Activity Log, and Delete actions.

UPD **Storage:** Storage connection tests now show the provider's actual failure reason. Duplicator Cloud discovery and connection controls were improved, and unknown providers are hidden without deleting their saved records.

FIX **Base:** Hardened administration, logging, and upgrade handling to prevent sensitive Backup paths, hashes, secrets, and raw failure details from appearing in PHP logs or user-facing messages.

FIX **Base:** Updated bundled PHP and JavaScript dependencies to address published security advisories.

FIX **Base:** Prevented secondary error-handler failures during plugin updates, preserved addon state during hash-only upgrades, delayed cron translations until safe, and prevented the admin bundle from replacing WordPress's jQuery instance.

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FIX **Base:** Corrected broken external links, Screen Options alignment, security-control hover states, storage-table borders, and notices that displayed literal HTML. INSTALLER

FIX **Backups:** Fixed silent database-only archives caused by empty or root-level file filters, emoji loss in mysqldump exports, late cancellation of completed Backups, non-fatal database progress estimates, and incorrect engine details on legacy Backups.

FIX **Backups:** Improved browser-side timeout, network, authentication, proxy, and invalid-response errors, while increasing the scan request window for slower servers.

FIX **Migration:** Corrected database build-mode metadata so mysqldump Backups with excluded tables restore correctly.

FIX **Storage:** Prevented completed Duplicator Cloud uploads from being incorrectly marked failed and removed. Also contained malformed OneDrive responses and corrected upload/download wording and chunk-size unit labels.

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UPD **Multisite:** Improved multisite import mapping, existing-subsite detection, partial-creation retries, and case-insensitive URL collision checks. INSTALLER

FIX **Staging:** Corrected database table filtering so staging operations do not overwrite prefixless tables unintentionally. INSTALLER

FIX **Schedules:** Fixed schedule creation when TemplateAddon is disabled and ensured schedules retry correctly after being blocked by AutoTune.

FIX **Capabilities:** Preserved legacy custom role and user assignments during upgrades and restored safe defaults when a capability update fails.

FIX **Recovery:** Updated recovery eligibility to account for whether local storage is selected.

FIX **Branding:** Restored the missing branding preview across supported license states.

FIX **Base:** Added the appropriate administrator notice when encrypted license data cannot be decrypted.

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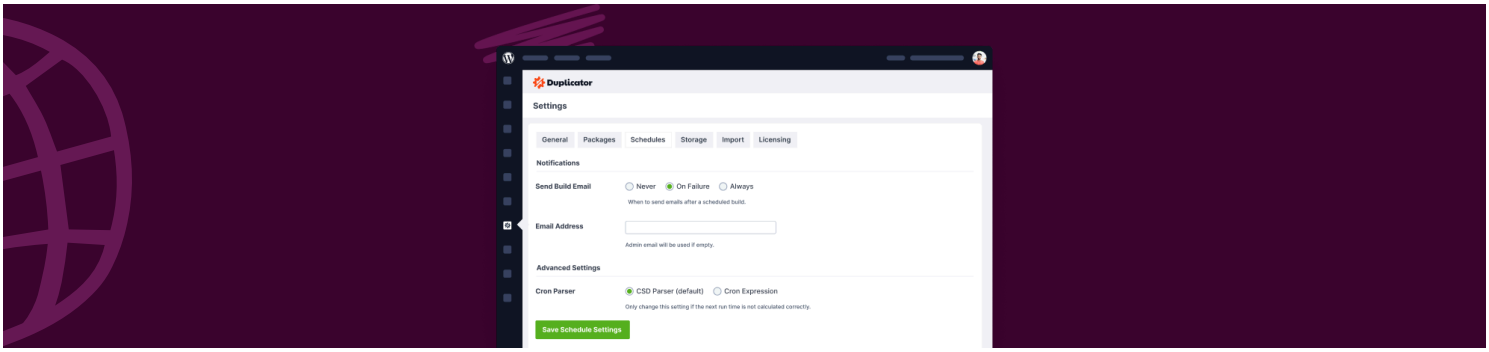
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