

WebPGenerator Module

version 1.0.2

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Requirement:

Please ensure that your PHP version is at least 5.6 otherwise the module will not work (as mentioned in the product requirements sheet on Addons PrestaShop)

On the server one of the next PHP modules must be configured:

Cwebp => php exec function enabled

Imagick => Imagick php module with webp compiled

Gmagick => Gmagick php module with webp compiled

Gd => Gd php module with imagewebp, imagecreatefrompng and imagecreatefromjpeg functions

Ewww => ewww.io subscription and php curl service

1. Module overview

This module is an essential element if you want a fast website.

The WebP Generator module, created for Prestashop sites, will allow users to efficiently regenerate their product, category and manufacturer images thereby increasing the speed of the site.

This new technology provides superior lossless and lossy compression for images on your website. After you start generating images through our module it will free up space on your server. Moreover, the quality of your images will not be affected.

The images generated through the **WebPgenerator module** are 26% smaller in size compared to PNGs. WebP lossy images are 25-34% smaller than comparable JPEG images at equivalent SSIM quality index.

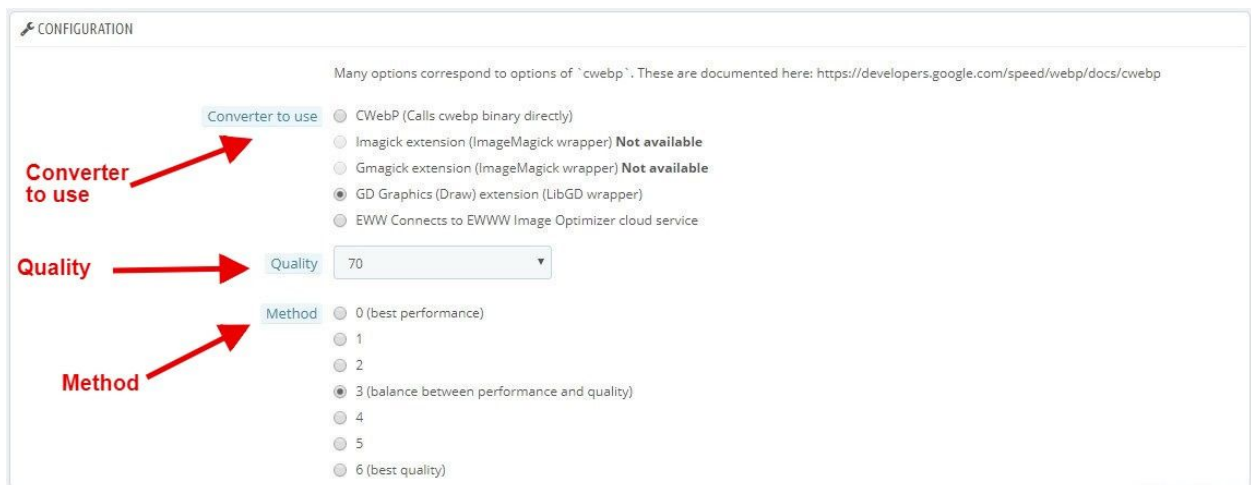
Info: - the module can be installed from the website back office, just like all the other modules.

2. Module Configuration

- After installation the module can be accessed by clicking on the **Configure** button.



- **Converter to use** - Set the conversion methods to use depending on your server setup
- **Quality** - Specify the compression factor for RGB channels between 0 and 100
- **Method** - This parameter controls the trade off between encoding speed and the compressed file size and quality. Possible values range from 0 to 6. 0 is fastest. 6 results in best quality.



- **Low memory** - Reduce memory usage of lossy encoding at the cost of ~30% longer encoding time and marginally larger output size.

- **Lossless** - Encode the image without any loss. The option is ignored for PNG's (forced true)
- **Metadata** - Metadata to copy from the input to the output if present.

The screenshot shows a web-based interface for image optimization. It features three main settings sections, each with a red arrow pointing to it from a label on the left:

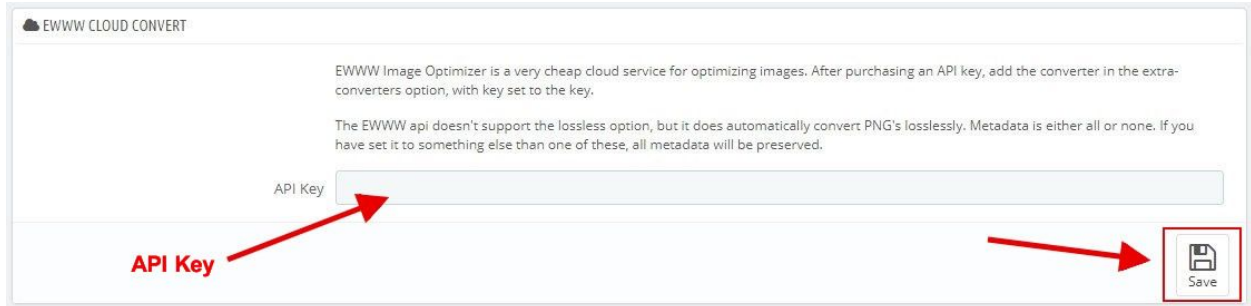
- Low memory**: A toggle switch with 'YES' and 'NO' buttons. The 'NO' button is selected. Below it is a descriptive paragraph: "Reduce memory usage of lossy encoding by saving four times the compressed size (typically). This will make the encoding slower and the output slightly different in size and distortion. This flag is only effective for methods 3 and up, and is off by default. Note that leaving this flag off will have some side effects on the bitstream: it forces certain bitstream features like number of partitions (forced to 1)".
- Lossless**: A toggle switch with 'YES' and 'NO' buttons. The 'NO' button is selected. Below it is the text "Recommended to no".
- Metadata**: A radio button selection menu with options: "All", "None (recommended)", "EXIF", "ICC", and "XMP". The "None (recommended)" option is selected. Below it is a note: "Note: Only cwebp supports all values. gd will always remove all metadata. ewww, imagick and gmagick can either strip all, or keep all (they will keep all, unless metadata is set to none)".

In the bottom right corner, there is a "Save" button with a floppy disk icon.

3. EWWW Cloud Convert

EWWW Image Optimizer is a very cheap cloud service for optimizing images. After purchasing an API key, add the converter in the extra-converters option, with the key field containing the API key.

The EWWW API doesn't support the lossless option but it does automatically convert PNGs losslessly. Metadata is either all or none. If you have set it to something else than one of these, all metadata will be preserved.



4. CWEBP Conversion Settings

- **Use `nice` command** - If `nice` command is found on host, binary is executed with low priority in order to save system resources
- **Try common system paths** - This option tests whether cwebp is available in a common system path (eg /usr/bin/cwebp ..)
- **Try supplied binary** - If CWebP is not installed on the server, then supplied binary is selected from Converters/Binaries (according to OS) - after validating checksum
- **Turns auto-filter on** - This algorithm will spend additional time optimizing the filtering strength to reach a well-balanced quality. Unfortunately, it is extremely expensive in terms of computation. It takes about 5-10 times longer to do a conversion. A 1MB picture which perhaps typically takes about 2 seconds to convert, will takes about 15 seconds to convert with auto-filter. So in most cases, you will want to leave this at its default, which is off.
- **Command line options** - This allows you to set any parameter available for cwebp in the same way as you would do when executing cwebp. You could for example set it to `"-sharpness 5 -mt -crop 10 10 40`

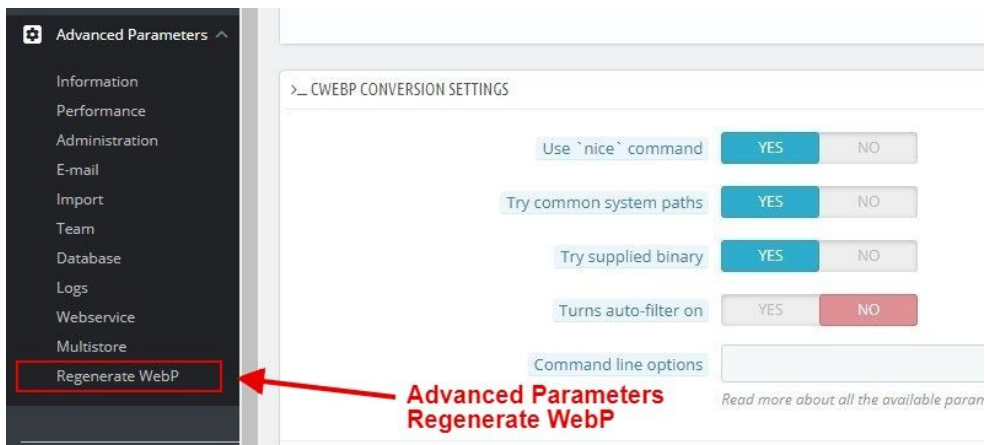


Read more about all the available parameters here:

https://developers.google.com/speed/webp/docs/cwebp#additional_options

5. Regenerate WebP

After you have configured the module please go to the “**Advanced Parameters**” in the left menu. Choose the “**Regenerate WebP**” tab.



You can choose which images you want to generate

- Product Images
- Category Images
- Supplier Images

- Store Images
- Manufacturer Images

Once you've chosen, you can start generating. You can see how many images there are for each type and the processing bar will show the percent of the generated images.

? WebP is a modern image format that provides superior **lossless and lossy** compression for images on the web. Using WebP, webmasters and web developers can create smaller, richer images that make the web faster.

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Lossless WebP **supports transparency** (also known as alpha channel) at a cost of just 22% additional bytes. For cases when lossy RGB compression is acceptable, **lossy WebP also supports transparency**, typically providing 3× smaller file sizes compared to PNG.

REGENERATE WEBP IMAGES

You can regenerate all your images safely.

PRODUCT IMAGES	0/20588	0%
CATEGORY IMAGES	0/0	0%
SUPPLIER IMAGES	0/1	0%
STORE IMAGES	0/5	0%
MANUFACTURER IMAGES	0/6	0%

IMPORTANT: The window or tab where you started the regeneration process **must remain open throughout the entire process**. Closing it will interrupt the process and it will need to be reinitiated.