

phpBB Forum Features

General Features

- **Open Source** - Free to use and modify under the GNU General Public License.
- **Extensive Customization** - Highly customizable with themes and modifications to alter or enhance functionality.
- **User-Friendly Interface** - Simple and intuitive interface for both administrators and users.

Forum Management

- **Flexible System of Categories and Forums** - Organize discussions into an unlimited number of categories, forums, and subforums.
- **Permissions System** - Highly configurable permissions system to control user access levels and capabilities.
- **Moderation Tools** - Comprehensive set of tools for moderators to manage posts, threads, and users, including soft delete, move, lock, and split topics.
- **Auto-Mod Tools** - Automate common moderation tasks to streamline forum management.

User and Role Management

- **Customizable User Registration** - Options for open, closed, or invite-only registrations.
- **Group-based Permissions** - Manage user permissions and access through customizable groups.
- **Ranking System** - Define ranks based on user posts or other criteria to encourage participation.

Posting Features

- **BBCode and HTML Formatting** - Support for BBCode and an option to enable HTML for rich text formatting.
- **Attachments** - Allow users to attach files to posts.
- **Polls Creation** - Include polls in posts with multiple options and configurations.
- **Private Messaging** - Built-in private messaging system for user-to-user communication.

Customization and Extensions

- **Extensions System** - Use phpBB's extensions to add or customize functionality without altering the core code.
- **Themes and Styles** - Vast array of themes and styles to customize the look and feel of the forum.
- **Template and Language Customization** - Easily edit templates and languages to meet specific needs.

Security Features

- **CAPTCHA and Anti-Spam Tools** - Built-in options for CAPTCHA and anti-spam measures to prevent bot registrations and spam.
- **Access Logs** - Detailed access logs for tracking user actions and administrative activities.
- **Data Security** - Features to ensure data integrity and security, including support for secure connections (SSL/TLS).

Performance and Scalability

- **Database Storage** - Efficient and scalable database storage system to handle large volumes of posts and user data.
- **Search Engine** - Powerful built-in search engine for finding content within the forum.
- **Caching Mechanisms** - Support for various caching mechanisms to improve performance and reduce server load.

Support and Resources

- **Extensive Documentation** - Detailed documentation available for users and developers.
- **Community Support** - Large, active community for support, including a dedicated area on the phpBB.com forums.
- **Regular Updates** - Frequent updates for improvements and security.