

# Trash Manager

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## How to Access

### Menu Items

Select Menus --> Menu Trash from the drop-down menu in the Back-end of your Joomla! installation.

### Articles

Select Content --> Article Trash from the drop-down menu in the Back-end of your Joomla! installation.

## Description

These screens are holding areas where Menu Items and Articles are stored before they are permanently deleted from your Joomla! database. From here, you can either permanently delete the items or restore them to the site.

## Screenshot

### Menu Items

### Articles

## Column Headers

### Menu Items

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Checkbox. Check this box to select one or more items.  
To select all items, check the box in the column heading. After one or

more boxes are checked, click a toolbar button to take an action on the selected item or items. Many toolbar actions, such as Publish and Unpublish, can work with multiple items. Others, such as Edit, only work on one item at a time. If multiple items are checked and you press Edit, the first item will be opened for editing.

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Name. The Name of the Menu Item.

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ID. The unique ID number automatically assigned to this item by Joomla!. This number cannot be changed.

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Menu. The Name of the Menu where this Menu Item belongs to.

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Type. The Type of the Menu Item.

Articles

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Title. The Title of the Article.

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ID. The unique ID number automatically assigned to this item by Joomla!. This number cannot be changed.

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Section. The Section this Article belongs to.

- Category. The Category this Article belongs to.

Toolbar

At the top right you will see the toolbar:

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Restore. To Restore one or more items, select them using the Check Box and then click this button. A second screen will display with two options: Restore or Cancel. To Restore, press the Restore button. A dialog box will then display with the options "OK" or "Cancel". Press "OK" to Restore the selected items.

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Delete. To delete one or more items, select them and click this button. A second screen will display with two options: Delete or Cancel. To delete the items permanently, press the Delete button. The selected items will be deleted.

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Help. Opens this Help Screen.

Quick Tips

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You can keep Menu Items and Articles in the Trash Manager as long as you like. Don't delete these items unless you are sure that you will not need them again.

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Articles in the Trash Manager are not the same as Archived Articles. Articles in the Trash Manager are not available for viewing or editing in the site. Archived Articles may be viewed using the Archive Layouts and may be edited.

Related information

- To work with Articles: [Article Manager](#)
- To work with Menu Items: [Menu Item Manager](#)