

# Creating a custom theme for your website



The version 1.2.6.update introduced the capability to create your own custom themes.

**A custom theme is structurally much the same as themes in the `/css/theme` folder.**

To create a custom theme:

1. Create a folder.
2. Place all necessary styles and images in the folder.
3. Mandatory files:
  - a. `custom-<THEME_NAME>.css` — the main stylesheet should be called the same as a theme.
  - b. `custom-<THEME_NAME>.jpg` — large image for a theme.
  - c. `custom-<THEME_NAME>-preview.jpg` — small image for a theme.
  - d. `name.txt` — contains a theme name to be displayed in the administrative area of your website.
  - e. Navigate to the "Configuration" section of the new administrative area, search for a new custom theme in the list of available ones. Activate it.
  - f. Now all stylesheets will be added **ONLY** from this folder.



## Important!

Customized website owners can update their websites with no trouble. Updates do not affect themes created in these folders.

One should use the following files to check whether a custom theme exists and can be loaded:

1. `/blocks/HeaderNew.class.php`
2. `/templates/main/headernew.html`

Therefore, if the above files have been customized than a customer should correct them so that his/her custom theme is loaded.