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Flarum is a modern forum: a single page, fast, no reload on every click, and good on a phone without any effort. It is light, which makes it a sound choice for a shared plan.

It suits a community around a product, a space where users help each other, or an internal forum inside an organisation. If what you want is to publish content rather than hold conversations, what you are after is a CMS: see [what a CMS is](#).

? What Flarum asks for

Not much, and that is the best part. It wants **PHP 8.2** or newer and **no extra extensions at all**: everything it needs is already on for a new account. If your account is on an older PHP, change it in **Select PHP Version**: [changing your PHP version without breaking the site](#).

📋 Installing, step by step

- 1 Sign in to My MozOut at <https://www.meu.mozout.co.mz> and open the cPanel for the plan.
- 2 Check the PHP version and change it if you need to.
- 3 Under **Software**, open the **Softaculous Apps Installer** and search for *Flarum*.
- 4 **Address**: protocol **https**. A forum lives happily on a subdomain of its own, separate from the main site: [adding a subdomain](#).
- 5 **Forum title**, and the administrator account with a long password from the [password generator](#).
- 6 Under **Advanced Options**, switch on **automatic backups**, then click **Install**.

**Flarum serves the site from a subdirectory of the installation**

, and the installer points the address at the right place for you. Use the address it gives you at the end rather than one you guessed.

**An open forum fills with spam. Be ready.**

This is the part that surprises everyone. A new forum, once Google finds it, starts collecting automated sign-ups within days, and the first posts are advertising. Before you publish the address:

1

Require e-mail confirmation on sign-up. It is the single measure that removes most of it, and it is in the settings out of the box.

2

Test outgoing e-mail before you open. If the forum cannot send the confirmation message, nobody registers and you will conclude nobody wanted to. See **why your e-mail is not sending**.

3

Hold first posts for approval while the community is small. It costs you a month of work and saves you a year.

4

Write the house rules in a pinned post. Without them, moderation looks arbitrary and the argument turns on you.

**A forum publishes what other people write, and that has consequences.**

You are responsible for what is hosted in your account, and an abandoned community quickly becomes a dumping ground for links to fraudulent sites, which drags your domain reputation down with it. If a complaint arrives, deal with it: **reporting abuse**.

**Extending and maintaining**

Flarum extensions install from the command line using the PHP dependency tool, which needs **SSH access**. Some accounts have a shell and some do not: if yours does not, <https://www.meu.mozout.co.mz/submitticket.php> and we will see what can be done.

In the Softaculous installations list, Flarum offers **clone**, **backup** and **change admin password**. For what every installation has in common, see **installing a ready-made platform**.

**NEED A HAND?**

Want a forum attached to the site you already have? Tell us how you picture it and we will help you set it up.



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Hosting plans and what each one includes



Report abuse



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