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Robots Configuration

Google Sitemap & Robots for Magento 2

Complete settings reference for the Robots Meta Tag functionality in the Google Sitemap & Robots extension. This guide covers how to control search engine indexing behavior for your pages.

Overview

Navigate to **Magmodules → Robots** to access robots settings.

The robots module lets you set default meta robots tags for different page types. This controls whether search engines index pages and follow links on them.

General

Setting	Description
Enabled	Enable or disable the robots module

Understanding Robots Tags

Available Options

Tag	Meaning
INDEX,FOLLOW	Index this page, follow all links
NOINDEX,FOLLOW	Don't index this page, but follow links
INDEX,NOFOLLOW	Index this page, don't follow links
NOINDEX,NOFOLLOW	Don't index, don't follow links

When to Use Each

INDEX,FOLLOW (default for most pages)

- Product pages you want in search results
- Category pages with unique content
- Important CMS pages (about us, contact)

NOINDEX,FOLLOW

- Filtered category pages (price, color, size filters)

- Search results pages
- Paginated pages (page 2, 3, etc.)
- Thank you / confirmation pages

INDEX,NOFOLLOW

- Pages with user-generated links you don't trust
- Rarely needed in e-commerce

NOINDEX,NOFOLLOW

- Admin or internal pages
- Duplicate content pages
- Staging/test pages

Settings

Set default robots meta tags for different page types:

Category Pages

Setting	Description
Category Pages - Default Robots	Default robots tag for all category pages

Recommended: INDEX,FOLLOW

Categories are important for SEO. Only use NOINDEX for filtered views or thin content categories.

Product Pages

Setting	Description
Product Pages - Default Robots	Default robots tag for all product pages

Recommended: INDEX,FOLLOW

Product pages should be indexed. Use product-level overrides for items you want to exclude.

CMS Pages

Setting	Description
CMS Pages - Default Robots	Default robots tag for all CMS pages

Recommended: INDEX,FOLLOW

Most CMS pages should be indexed. Override individually for pages like "Terms & Conditions" if needed.

Debug

Setting	Description
Debug Mode	Enable detailed logging for robots settings

Enable when troubleshooting robots tag issues. Check `var/log/` for output.

Page-Level Overrides

The extension sets defaults, but you can override per page:

Categories

1. Edit category in **Catalog → Categories**
2. Go to **Search Engine Optimization** section
3. Set **Robots** field to override default

Products

1. Edit product in **Catalog → Products**
2. Go to **Search Engine Optimization** section
3. Set **Robots** field to override default

CMS Pages

1. Edit page in **Content → Pages**
2. Go to **Search Engine Optimization** section
3. Set **Robots** field to override default

Common Scenarios

Scenario 1: Hide Filtered Category Pages

You want main category pages indexed but not filtered views.

Configuration:

- Default Category Robots: **INDEX,FOLLOW**
- Use layered navigation that adds NOINDEX to filtered URLs

Scenario 2: Exclude Out-of-Stock Products

You don't want out-of-stock products in search results.

Approach:

- Keep default as INDEX,FOLLOW
- Use product attribute or automation to set NOINDEX on out-of-stock items

Scenario 3: New Store Launch

You're preparing a store but don't want it indexed yet.

Configuration:

- Set all defaults to **NOINDEX,NOFOLLOW**
- Change to INDEX,FOLLOW when ready to launch

Integration with Sitemap

The robots module works together with the sitemap module:

- Pages marked NOINDEX can be excluded from sitemap automatically
- Enable "Exclude No-Index" options in sitemap settings
- This prevents sending mixed signals to search engines

Verifying Robots Tags

Check in Browser

1. Open your page
2. View page source (Ctrl+U or Cmd+U)
3. Look for: `<meta name="robots" content="INDEX,FOLLOW">`

Using Google Search Console

1. Go to **URL Inspection**
2. Enter your page URL
3. Check "Indexing allowed?" status

Need More Help?

Documentation:

- All Help Articles - Complete documentation overview

Support:

- Contact Support - Get help from our team

For a complete overview of features and configuration options, see the Google Sitemap & Robots extension on magmodules.eu

All articles for Google Sitemap & Robots

Installation

1	Installation using Composer (recommended)
2	Installation using the Adobe Marketplace

Configuration

1	Quick Start Guide
2	Sitemap Configuration
3	**Robots Configuration** **(current)**

Troubleshooting

1	Troubleshooting

Background

1	CLI Commands
2	SEO Best Practices

