



# 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

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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

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Setting	Description
Enabled	Enable or disable the robots module

## Understanding Robots Tags

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### Available Options

Tag	Meaning
<b>INDEX,FOLLOW</b>	Index this page, follow all links
<b>NOINDEX,FOLLOW</b>	Don't index this page, but follow links
<b>INDEX,NOFOLLOW</b>	Index this page, don't follow links
<b>NOINDEX,NOFOLLOW</b>	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**

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Set default robots meta tags for different page types:

### **Category Pages**

Setting	Description
<b>Category Pages - Default Robots</b>	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
<b>Product Pages - Default Robots</b>	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
<b>CMS Pages - Default Robots</b>	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

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Setting	Description
<b>Debug Mode</b>	Enable detailed logging for robots settings

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

## Page-Level Overrides

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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

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### 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

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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

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### 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?

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### 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](http://magmodules.eu)

# All articles for Google Sitemap & Robots

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## Installation

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1	<a href="#">Installation using Composer (recommended)</a>
2	<a href="#">Installation using the Adobe Marketplace</a>

## Configuration

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1	<a href="#">Quick Start Guide</a>
2	<a href="#">Sitemap Configuration</a>
3	<a href="#">Robots Configuration (current)</a>

## Troubleshooting

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1	<a href="#">Troubleshooting</a>
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## Background

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1	<a href="#">CLI Commands</a>
2	<a href="#">SEO Best Practices</a>

