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WordPress Plugin - How To Configure Akismet

Akismet
Used by millions, Akismet is quite possibly the best way in the world to protect your blog from comment and trackback spam. It keeps your site protected from spam even while you sleep.
Plugin homepage: https://wordpress.org/plugins/akismet/
1.   From the WordPress dashboard, navigate to Plugins > Installed Plugins.
2.   Find Akismet and click Activate.
3.   Akismet requires and API key, which is obtained upon signing up for an account (free for personal blogs). To initiate the sign-up process, click Activate your Akismet account banner on the plugins page.
4.   Next, choose Create a new Aksimet Key . If you already have an Akismet API key, skip to step 9.
5.   You should now be on the Akismet website. To register for your API key, click the Get an Akismet API key on the homepage.
6.   Next, choose the appropriate registration type for your blog. If you select personal, you can set the donation bar to the level of your choosing (can be $0).
7.   Complete the registration/payment form and submit.
8.   Upon successful registration (free or paid), you will be provided an Akismet API key (presented on screen and sent to the email address used to register for Akismet.
9.   From your WordPress Dashboard, click on the Settings link for the Akismet plugin.
10.   On the Akismet page, click I already have a key link.
11.   Paste the API code provided by Akismet in the text box and click Save Changes.
12.   On the next screen, you will be presented with the plugin settings. You can opt to auto-delete spam comments on posts more than a month old and/or show the number of comments approved next to each author. These are the only configurable options on the settings page.

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