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Download **S**ite **C**reator

Build &
Categorize
Multi-Item
Download
Pages Quickly
& Easily

**Based on PHP Download,
Originally Coded by B.Gauthier : Tweak Coded by Kim Enders**

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Creator's Note



Hey there! Kim Enders here. ;)

I wanted to drop you a line real quick and wish you the very best. Whether you purchased this script directly from me or through a reseller, I want to make sure you enjoy it and can use it to its fullest capabilities! (That's why I created this User Guide for it; make sure to read all of it!)

I created Download Site Creator because I couldn't find any scripts like it to integrate into my membership site (at www.My-Resell-Portal.com) My hope is that you find it easy to use and useful!

Take note, though, that I can't take full credit for this fantastic script. Download Site Creator is based on the (open source) code of PHP Download, which was coded by B. Gauthier all the way back in 2001!

Changes I Made To The Original Script

The script, when I got a hold of it, was in .php3 form. You'll notice that I changed the file extensions and references throughout the script to the current .php extension. I also gave the source code a big face lift. As a result, the entire user interface is a lot more user-friendly and pleasant to the eye.

Lacking headers and footers to maximize customization of the script, header and footer files were created and added to the script.

I also had a bug fixed that wouldn't allow you to test the live download links in the admin panel. *(A big, hearty thanks goes out to fellow marketer/tweak coder extraordinaire, Matt Fulger, for his brilliant help!)*

That's just a little of what was done to get the script to where it is now. DSC is not dead in the water, either. It will be continuously updated with new features! If you'd like to be notified when upgrades are available, send any blank email to: dsc-updates@aweber.com

Well, with that said, I'll bring this to an end for now. Enjoy!

Regards,



Kim Enders
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Installation Instructions

1) Create and link your SQL Database connection, etc. Create an SQL database, create a user and password for it and then link the db with its user. Lost? Don't worry. I've included pictures and step-by-step instructions below.

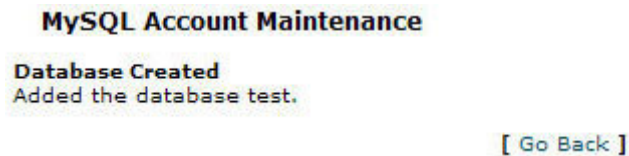
A) First of all, log in to your Cpanel and find the MySQL icon as pictured below.



B) Once you're on the MySQL page, you'll want to scroll down until you find the Add Db entry box (also pictured below.) Enter a name for the database in the text box and click the 'Add Db' button.

Db:

You'll be taken to a screen that shows the following:



C) Click on the 'Go Back' link and it'll take you back to the MySQL main page. You'll find that you have a database listed just like this:

kcengel_test [Delete](#) [Check](#) [Repair](#)

D) Next, scroll down to the Add User section and enter some new user details (in this case, I added 'test' as the username and 'test123' as the password. Note: Make sure not to make the username too long or it might get chopped off at the end.)

UserName:
Password:

E) Click the 'Add User' button and you'll once again see screen that looks like this:

MySQL Account Maintenance

Account Created

Added test with the password test123

[\[Go Back \]](#)

F) Click on the 'Go Back' link again to go back to the main MySQL page.

G) Scroll down to the 'Add User to Db' section and choose the appropriate database and database user (the ones you just created) from the pulldown menu.

User: Db:

Privileges: ☒ ALL ☐ ALTER ☐ CREATE TEMPORARY TABLES ☐ CREATE ☐ DELETE ☐ DROP ☐ SELECT ☐ INSERT ☐ UPDATE ☐ REFERENCES ☐ INDEX ☐ LOCK TABLES

H) Click the 'Add User to Db' button and you'll see a screen like this:

MySQL Account Maintenance

Account added to Access List

Added the user kcengel_test to the database kcengel_test.

[\[Go Back \]](#)

I) Click the 'Go Back' link to return to the MySQL main page.

J) Find the database you just created and finally, the database details will look like this:

kcengel_test [Delete](#) [Check](#) [Repair](#)

Users in test

kcengel_test (Privileges: ALL PRIVILEGES) [Delete](#)

Connection Strings

Perl `$dbh = DBI->connect
("DBI:mysql:kcengel_test:localhost", "kcengel_test", "<PASSWORD HERE>");

$dbh=mysql_connect ("localhost", "kcengel_test", "<PASSWORD HERE>") or
die ('I cannot connect to the database because: ' . mysql_error());

PHP mysql_select_db ("kcengel_test");`

Making sense of the above – In my case, the database name would be 'kcengel_test', the database username would be 'kcengel_test' and the database password is 'test123'. Notice the 'kcengel' prefix. You should see your own prefix added to the front of your db name and username. Write your details down! You'll need these later on.

2) Copy and paste the contents of the zip file into a folder on your desktop.

3) Modify the common.h file in both the main and admin folders with your database connection details (i.e. the database details from where you created an SQL database for this script.)

4) Modify admin/inf124.php (i.e. where you see '\$pass = 'password';' you will want to replace password with the password of your choosing. This is the password you will use to login to the admin panel.

5) Upload all files to a sub-directory of your site. Make sure to upload PHP and text files in ASCII mode and pictures in binary mode.

6) If you wish to **password-protect your download gallery**, do so now in Cpanel.

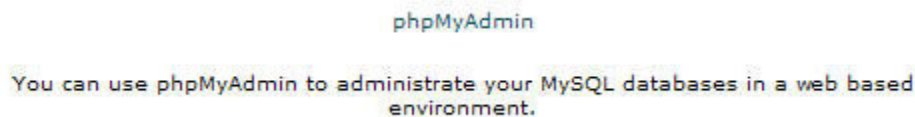
7) Next, you'll need to run an SQL query on the download.sql file.

To clear up any confusion about how to do that, I've included the following instructions.

A) You'd first need to go to your Cpanel and select the MySQL icon as pictured below.



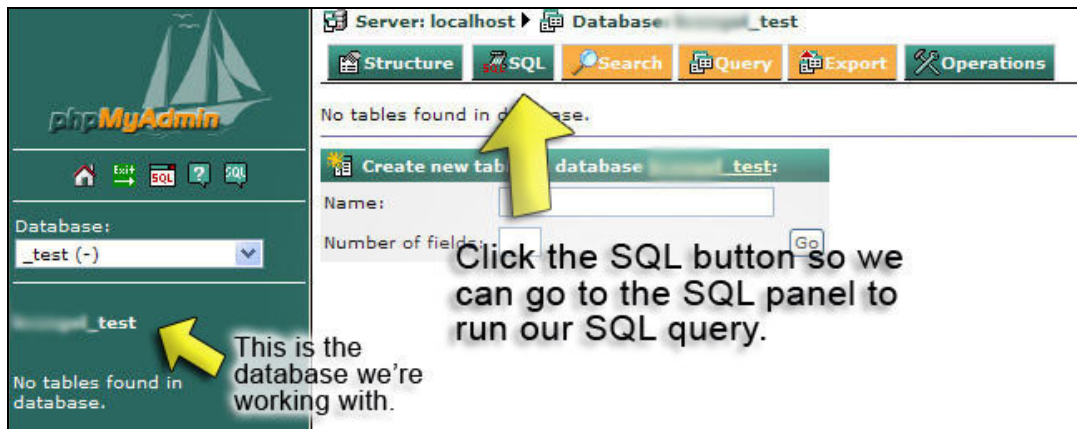
B) On the MySQL page, you'll want to scroll to the PHPMyAdmin section. It will look like this:



C) Next, on the main page of the PHPMyAdmin page (also pictured below), you'll find a pull down menu off to the left. You'll want to pull the menu down and select the database that you created.

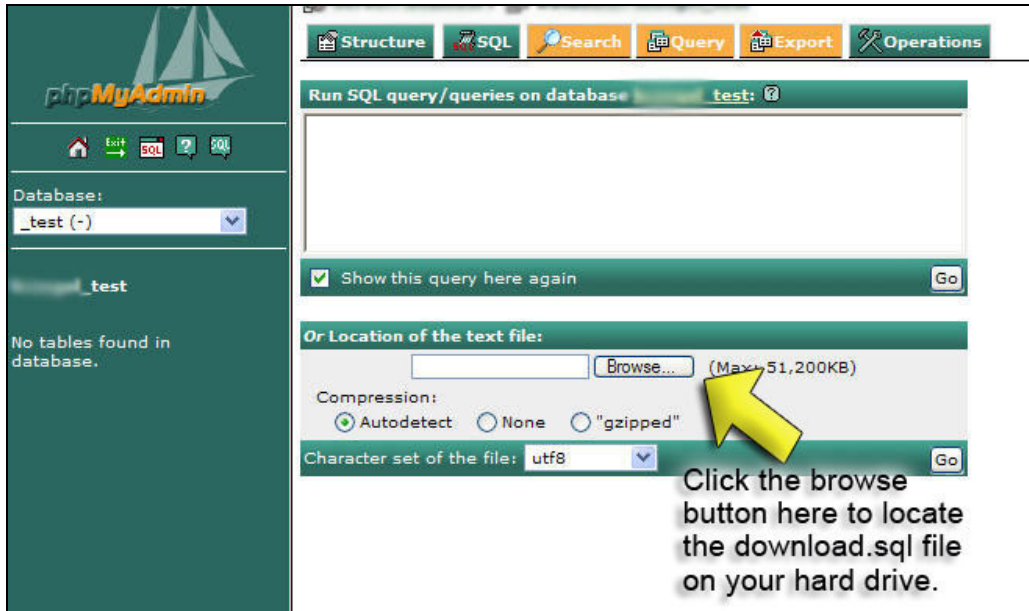


D) Next, click on the SQL button (as pictured below.)

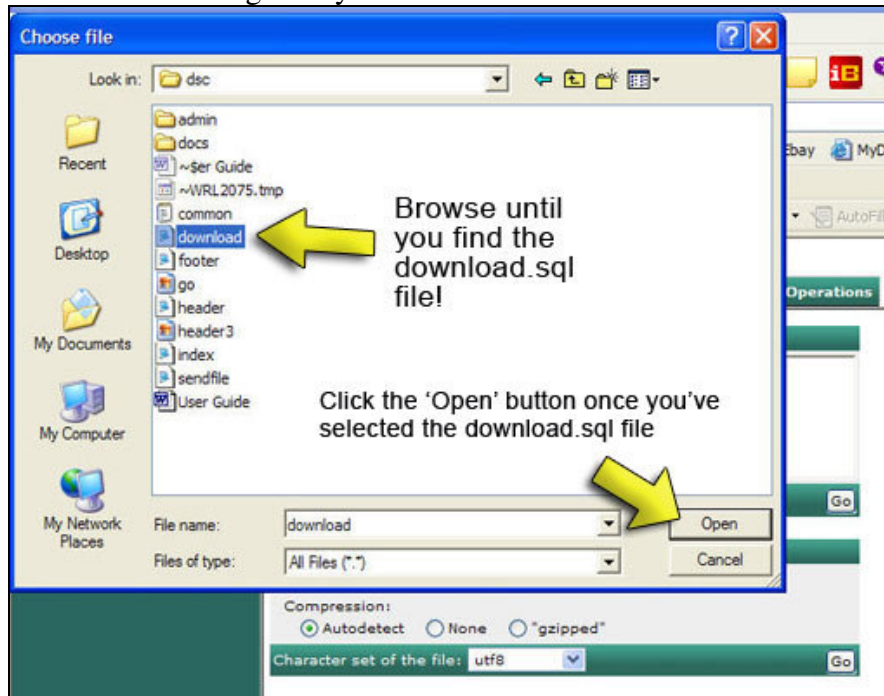


E) Clicking on the SQL button takes you to a page with a box that says 'Run SQL query/queries on database...'

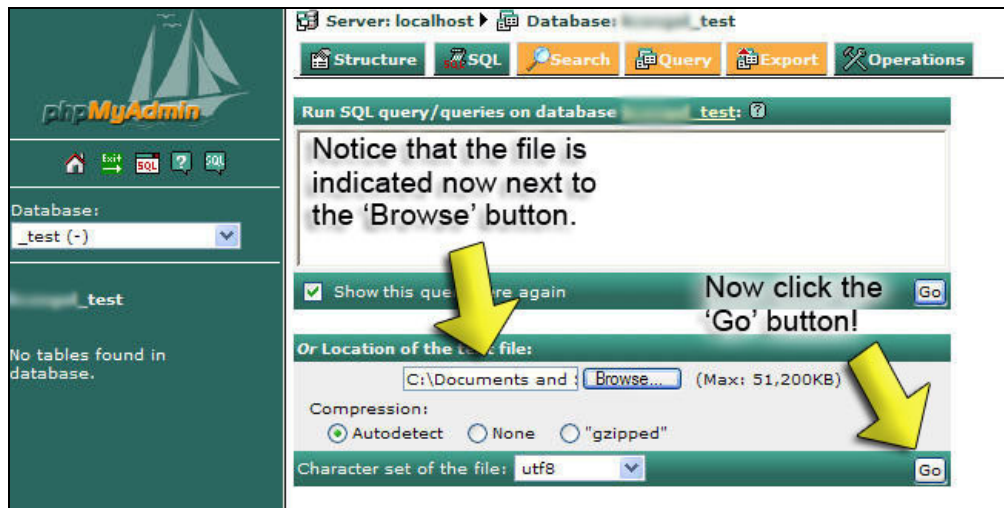
On this page, you'll want to locate the browse button and click it. You can then browse through your computer until you find your dsc folder (which should be on the desktop as per prior instructions) and more specifically, find the download.sql file.



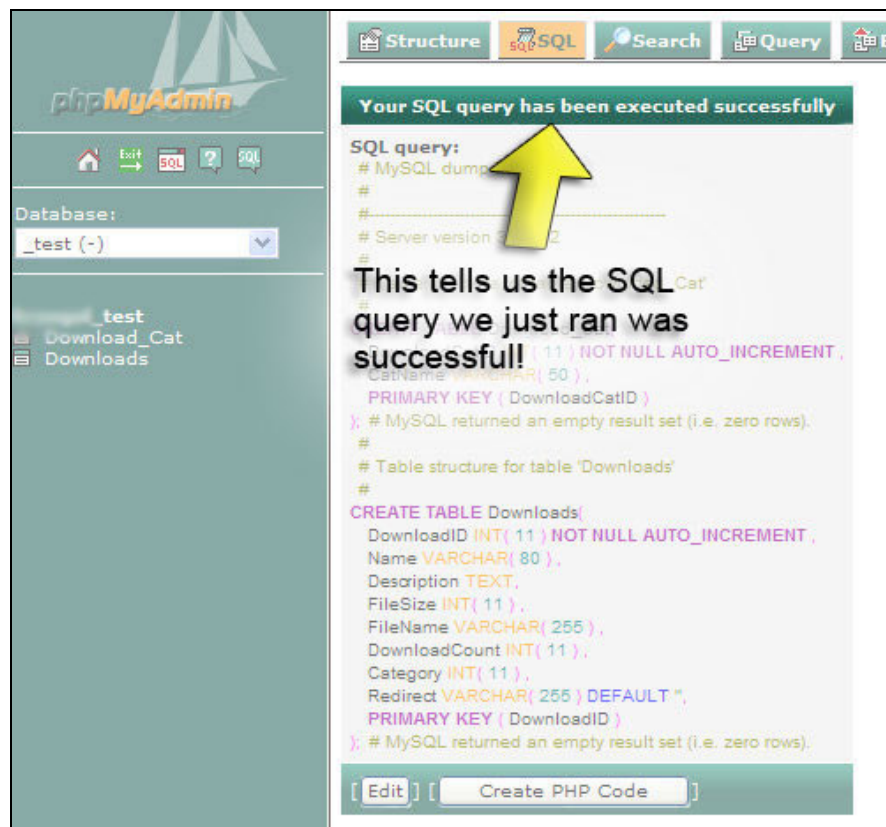
F) Once you've located the download.sql file, you'll need to select it and press the 'Open' button to the lower right on your 'Choose File' window.



G) You'll next see the path of the file listed in the text box next to the 'Browse' button. All that's left to do is to click the 'Go' button.



H) Lastly, you should see a message that says 'Your SQL query has been executed successfully.' Once you see this message, you're done! What's more, it also means you've run an SQL query! ;) Easy, huh?



7) Modify the header and footer files to your liking.

8.) Direct your browser to <http://www.yourdomain.com/installfolder/index.php> to access the downloads gallery.¹

Direct your browser to <http://www.yourdomain.com/installfolder/admin1> to access your admin panel.

^{1.} You must, of course, replace the web path with your actual domain and folder details.

Getting The Most Out of Download Site Creator

DSC was created with simplicity in mind. You know the saying, 'Keep it simple, stupid!', right? That's the point. Advanced solutions don't amount to a hill of beans if they're not user-friendly.

Getting Acquainted With The Admin Area

The Admin area may strike you as being really simple but don't be deceived! It will aid in you creating a fantastic download gallery.



Screenshot taken from demo installation!

Add Download – Lets you add downloads to your gallery.

Add/Edit Categories – Lets you add, delete or rename categories.

View Gallery – Takes you to your main gallery (this is what visitors will see.)

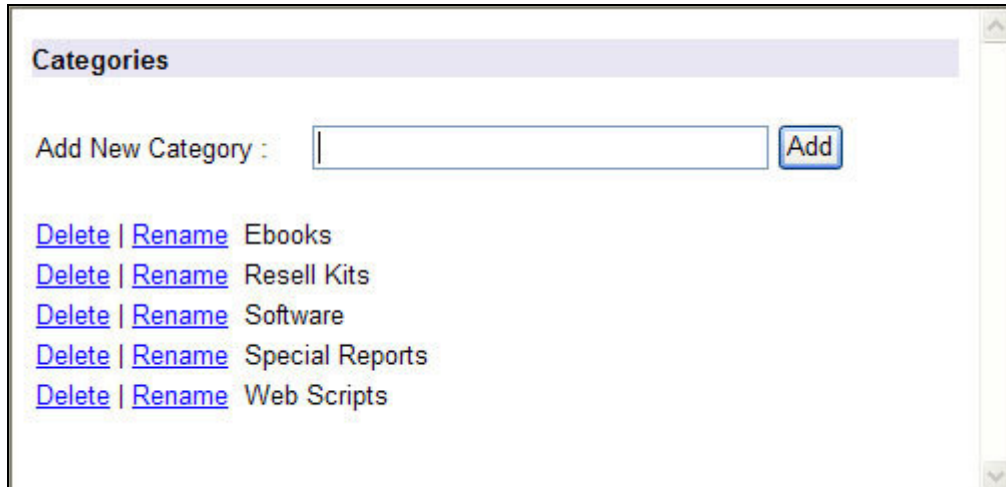
Select a Category – Lets you choose a category to work with. You must choose the category you want to work with and click the GO! link. You can access your downloads (so you can edit or delete them) through this section of the panel.

Logout – Go figure!

The Category Modification Popup Box

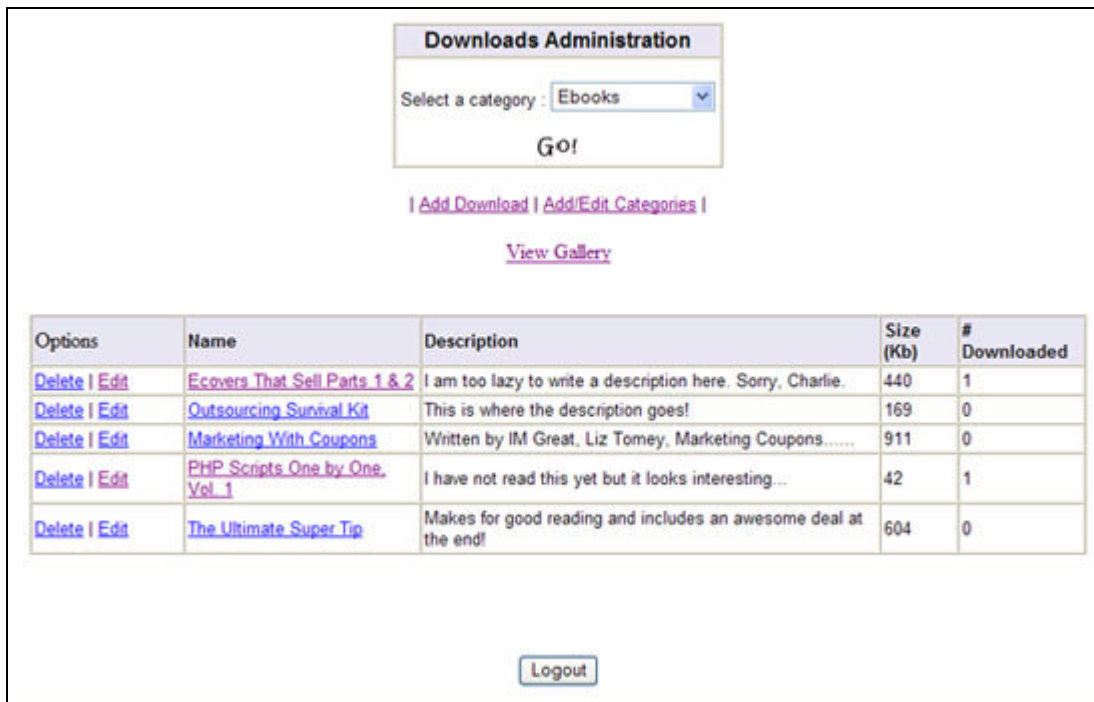
If you have a popup blocker setup in your browser, disable it while working with DSC. You'll need to do this since the Category Modification box comes up in a pop up box.

As illustrated below, you can easily create, delete and rename your categories.



The screenshot shows a 'Categories' popup box. At the top, there's a title bar 'Categories'. Below it, there's a form for 'Add New Category' with a text input field and an 'Add' button. Underneath, there's a list of existing categories: 'Ebooks', 'Resell Kits', 'Software', 'Special Reports', and 'Web Scripts'. Each category has a 'Delete' link and a 'Rename' link next to it.

Example of Results of Selecting a Category



The screenshot shows the 'Downloads Administration' page. At the top, there's a dropdown menu 'Select a category' with 'Ebooks' selected, and a 'Go!' button. Below this, there are links: 'Add Download', 'Add/Edit Categories', and 'View Gallery'. The main part of the page is a table with the following data:

Options	Name	Description	Size (Kb)	# Downloaded
Delete Edit	Ecovers That Sell Parts 1 & 2	I am too lazy to write a description here. Sorry, Charlie.	440	1
Delete Edit	Outsourcing Survival Kit	This is where the description goes!	169	0
Delete Edit	Marketing With Coupons	Written by IM Great, Liz Tomey, Marketing Coupons.....	911	0
Delete Edit	PHP Scripts One by One, Vol. 1	I have not read this yet but it looks interesting...	42	1
Delete Edit	The Ultimate Super Tip	Makes for good reading and includes an awesome deal at the end!	604	0

At the bottom of the page, there is a 'Logout' button.

The downloads are shown with their name, description, size in KB, # downloaded as well as the options to delete or edit them!

Adding a Download

The box pictured below represents what you'll see after you click the 'Add Download' link on the main admin page.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "New Download". It contains several input fields and a dropdown menu. The fields are labeled: "Name" (with a yellow highlight), "Description" (a large text area), "Category" (a dropdown menu showing "Ebooks"), "File Name (Location)", "File Size (Kb)" (a small text input), "Download Count" (a small text input with the value "0"), and "Redirect". At the bottom left of the form is a "Save" button.

You'll have the option to provide a download name and description of your choice. You then pick a category from the pull down menu to put the download in. You **must** specify the download URL for the file (in future versions of the script, I will have an upload feature implemented.) You can also specify the file size and download count to start at.

Note: The 'Redirect' feature is not functional yet. This will be functional in a future version of the script. (When the features do come available, you will be able to forego providing a download link in favor of providing a URL in the Redirect text box. This, in turn, would redirect the customer to the URL you put in the Redirect text box.

To go ahead and add the download that you've specified all the details for, just click the Save button at the bottom!

Testing Your Downloads

Testing your downloads couldn't be easier! You just click on the link of the download (in the main admin section) you want to check and you'll get a live result of whether the link is working or not. *(Credit: Thanks go out to Matt Fulger for lending a hand with the coding for this!)*

More Stuff You'll Need/Want To Know

Setting and Changing Your Admin Password

As per the installation instructions provided with your script, you will want to find the 'inf124.php' file located within the admin directory. Close to the top you will see a line that reads as: `$pass = 'password'; // Set the password.`

Replace password with whatever password you desire. Make sure to make it difficult to guess!

Integrating The Auth File Into The Main Directory (Optional)

Note: You can integrate the inf124.php authentication file into the main download gallery area of the script by placing a copy of the inf124.php file within the main directory and by including '`require "inf124.php";`' directly after the opening `<?php` or `<?` tag within the php file(s) you want to protect.

Changing Your Password In Cpanel: You will find this covered on the next page!

Setting The Number of Downloads Per Page

You can set the number of downloads per page on the common.h file. The default is 25. This can be set separately for the main gallery and for the editable gallery located in the admin section.

Password-Protecting a Folder in Cpanel

You can password-protect a particular folder on your web server by going to your Cpanel and finding the icon labeled 'Password Protect Directories'. You'd click on it once. Then you would navigate to the folder you wish to password protect and you'd click on it. The next page that comes up would like the picture below.

The screenshot shows the Cpanel interface for password-protecting a directory. At the top, there is a checkbox labeled '1' and a lock icon, followed by the text 'Directory requires a password to access via the web (you must check this to activate password protection)'. Below this is a text input field labeled 'Protected Resource Name (will display in browser's password mask):' with a red '2' next to it. A 'Save' button with a red '3' is positioned below the input field. Further down, there is a section titled 'Active Users' with a vertical list box. To the right of this list box is a 'Delete User' button. At the bottom, there are two input fields: 'User Name:' and 'Password:', with a red '4' between them. To the right of these fields are two buttons: 'Add/modify authorized user' (labeled with a red '5') and 'Change Password'.

I labeled each step with a number (1-5) and I'll briefly describe each step below.

- 1) You would click on this box to place a checkmark within it. This would tell Cpanel to enable password protection for this folder.
- 2) In this box, you would type in the message that you would want to appear in the title of the password box that comes up (i.e. John's Private Members Area)
- 3) Click the save button once.
- 4) Create a user name and password for the members' area. You can add as many users as you wish.
- 5) Click the 'Add/modify authorized user' to add each individual user.

After you've followed steps 1-5, you're done! Cpanel takes care of the technical aspect of password-protecting your directory. It places a .htaccess file in your directory. **Don't delete that file**; it's what enables the password protection for your directory!