
Website Hosting and Infrastructure Scoresheet

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Score each item on a scale from **1 to 5**, where **1 = Not at all**, **3 = A little**, and **5 = Completely**

At the end of the checklist, tally your score to evaluate how well your current provider meets your needs.

Control Over Platform and Customization

1. Does the platform allow for custom plugins and theme management?

Score (1–5):

2. Do you have full control over the site's structure and functionality?

Score (1–5):

3. Can you enable/disable features like content revision history or user audit trails?

Score (1–5):

Security and Compliance

1. Does the hosting provider offer advanced security features (e.g., monitoring, identity management, malware protection)?

Score (1–5):

2. Are automated security patches and updates applied without downtime?

Score (1–5):

3. Is there regular vulnerability testing to ensure system safety?

Score (1–5):

Scalability and Performance

1. Can your hosting provider easily scale to accommodate traffic spikes?

Score (1–5):

2. Are you able to monitor and track performance metrics (e.g., application performance, uptime)?

Score (1–5):

3. Does the provider offer a Content Delivery Network (CDN) for faster content delivery?

Score (1–5):

Backup and Recovery

1. Does the provider have an automated backup process in place?

Score (1-5):

2. Can you easily restore data from backups in case of an issue?

Score (1-5):

3. Are there robust disaster recovery (DR) environments ready for emergencies?

Score (1-5):

Flexibility in Development Workflow

1. Can you utilize multiple branch-based environments for independent feature development and testing?

Score (1-5):

2. Does the provider offer CI/CD pipelines and automated test integrations?

Score (1-5):

3. How easily can updates or changes be safely and confidently deployed without impacting live environments?

Score (1-5):

Sustainability and Corporate Social Responsibility

1. Is your hosting provider committed to sustainability and reducing its carbon footprint?

Score (1-5):

2. Do they support open-source projects and contribute to the community?

Score (1-5):

3. Are there any social initiatives or environmental contributions the provider participates in?

Score (1-5):

Cost and Efficiency

1. Are hosting costs predictable and scalable as your needs grow?

Score (1-5):

2. Does the provider offer discounts or perks for specific services?

Score (1-5):

3. Can you expect uptime guarantees that minimize the potential for revenue loss due to downtime?

Score (1-5):

Migration Support

1. Does the provider offer smooth migration services from platforms like WP Engine?

Score (1–5):

2. Will they ensure no disruption to user experience during migration?

Score (1–5):

3. Do they provide comprehensive guidance and post-migration support?

Score (1–5):

TOTAL SCORE: / 80

SCORING GUIDE

35–40

The hosting provider meets your needs extremely well.

28–34

The hosting provider is adequate, but there's room for improvement in some areas.

20–27

Consider exploring other hosting options or addressing the gaps with your current provider.

Below 20

The provider may not be meeting your critical business needs—an alternative solution is highly recommended.