

Website Checklist

Your website is the digital face of your business and often the first step a potential member will take in evaluating your organization. At a minimum, your website design needs to create a great first impression and earn the trust of your potential members.

How do you determine if now is the time for a re-design or launch of a new website? We've put together a simple checklist that you can go through to see if your existing website design is maximizing your ROI.

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ls your website	Needs Updated	Yes	No
Showcasing accurate, up-to-date information?	D		Ο
Properly branded for your business?	D		
Reflecting the goals and mission of your business?			
Building the credibility of your organization?	D		
Hosting engaging and helpful content?			
Addressing common questions?	D		
Using SEO best practices?			
Optimized for mobile devices?			
Getting traffic from your ideal customer?			
Integrated with your social media accounts?			
Using effective calls to action?	D		Ο

Capturing leads for email marketing?			
Easy to update and maintain?			
Inviting and easy to navigate?			D
Creating a great experience for visitors?			Ο
Acting as a useful resource for prospective clients/customers?	D	D	
The best possible digital face for your business?			Ο
Are you taking advantage of each page above the fold?			D
Are you using resources and social proof to establish trust and credibility?		D	Ο

Suggested Base Pages

Page	Include	Purpose
• Home	 Header: Logo, navigation menu, and contact information. Hero Section: A captivating image or video with a clear and concise headline that defines your brand or value proposition. Call to Action (CTA): A prominent button or form encouraging visitors to take a specific action, such as signing up for a newsletter or exploring your services. About Section: A brief introduction to your brand, mission, and values. Services or Products Section: A snapshot of what you offer with links to your services/products page. Testimonials: Positive reviews or quotes from satisfied customers or clients. Featured Content: Links to your latest blog posts, news, or promotions. Contact Information: Including an email address, phone number, and physical 	The home page is your website's digital storefront, the first impression visitors get of your brand.

	 address (if applicable). Social Media Links: Icons or buttons linking to your social media profiles. Footer: Additional navigation links, copyright information, and privacy policy. 	
• About	 About You/Your Team: Personal or team bios, including qualifications and experience. Brand Story: Share the history, mission, and values of your business. Achievements: Highlight key milestones or accomplishments. Photos: Include images of you/your team, your workspace, or any relevant events. Testimonials: Display endorsements from clients or partners that emphasize your credibility. 	To tell the story of your brand, establish trust, and connect with your audience on a personal level.
• Events	 Event Listings: Detailed information about upcoming and past events, including dates, times, locations, and descriptions. Registration/RSVP: Include a registration form or link for upcoming events. Event Calendar: If you host multiple events, a calendar can make it easy for visitors to see what's coming up. Speakers/Guests: Bios and photos of event speakers or special guests. 	To inform visitors about upcoming and past events, encouraging participation and engagement.
• Services Pages	 Detailed descriptions, images, and pricing for each offering. Benefits: Explain how your services or products solve problems or meet customer needs. CTAs: Encourage visitors to request quotes, make purchases, or schedule consultations. Testimonials: Highlight reviews or case studies related to your services/products. FAQs: Answer common questions about your offerings. Trust Signals: Showcase awards, certifications, or affiliations relevant to your services/products. 	To provide detailed information about the services or products you offer and persuade visitors to take action.
• Contact	Contact Form: A user-friendly form for	To provide a means for visitors

inquiries or messages.

- Contact Information: Display your email address, phone number, and physical address (if applicable).
- Map: If you have a physical location, embed a map for easy navigation.
- Operating Hours: Specify when you're available for contact.
- Social Media Links: Provide links to your social media profiles.
- FAQs: Answer common questions visitors may have.
- CTA: Encourage visitors to get in touch or subscribe to newsletters.

to get in touch with you, whether for inquiries, questions, or collaborations.

What to Look for in the Best Website Platform

Quality	Why
• Ease of use	Updating your website should be simple. Finding how to update content through add-ons or plugins should be clear. Choose a website platform that makes it simple for you to change out photos, update your brand colors and keep your content updated.
• Security	Website security failures could harm your business's reputation. Don't allow that to happen. Make sure you select a platform with strong security that protects you from hacks and malicious attacks. One breach of customer data could rob you of your relationships with your customers.
• Scalability	Some website tools are better for organizations of all sizes. This is what you want in a website platform because you don't want to have to move your website as your company grows. Make sure that your website can handle large traffic volumes
	and can expand with your business.
No downtime	Downtime is frustrating for both website administrators and customers. While you might be able to save some money on

• Speed

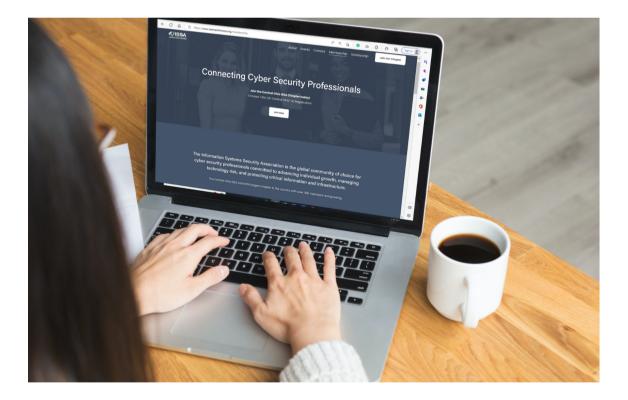
subscription fees to get a website platform with some mild downtime, this isn't worth it. Look for a platform with nearly perfect uptime records to ensure you're always prepared to welcome online customers

Sluggish websites will fail to perform for SEO, making your business more challenging to discover. Faster websites experience lower bounce rates and higher conversion rates. Make sure that your website platform provides outstanding speed and reliability to create a good online experience.

Common Website Platforms

Platform	Pros	Cons
 Squarespace* *This is our platform of preference. 	 You can make truly stunning websites! Fantastic reliability and performance. Free SSL. Tons of features for selling online. Full help center with great support. Easy to maintain and update. Plenty of Integrations Scheduling, member areas, blogs, and email marketing are available on the platform. 	 Squarespace pricing can be high. Can perform slowly if you don't optimize images. Limited payment options: Can be confusing to use at first. Restrictive templates, although they are in the process of updating.
• WordPress	 Free, open-source content management system. Highly flexible and customizable. Thousands of themes to choose from (free and premium). Add nearly any feature with third-party plugins. Open-source, so security must be a priority. Great SEO. 	 Steep learning curve. Costs add up after buying hosting, premium themes, and plugins. Potential plugin conflicts cause sites to break easily. Must update regularly. Poor customer support. Hard to maintain.

• Wix	 Very easy to use. Easy-to-use drag-and-drop interface. Built-in SEO. 200+ App integrations are available. Scheduling, member areas, blogs, and email marketing are available on the platform. 	 Visitor analytics are not available on free or Combo plans. Storage limits on all plans. You can't change templates once your site is live.
Other Platforms	Let us know if you have questions about any other website platforms	l will answer your questions specifically about these!



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