# Keeping up Appearances – Site Security

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It's important that you keep your site up to date by installing any updates that may be available. You can do this by checking on the dashboard along the top menu options it will list if there are any updates required - and how many. The number of updates required will also appear in the main menu under updates.

## Backup

It is a good idea to always perform a backup of the website before doing any updates.

## Update Order

You should do updates in the following order

- Wordpress Core
- Plugins
- Themes

## WARNINGS

INSTALL THE  WP CORE UPDATES, WAIT FOR IT TO FINISH, THEN CLICK ON RETURN TO UPDATES PAGE.

INSTALL THE PUGIN UPDATES, WAIT FOR IT TO FINISH, THEN CLICK ON RETURN TO UPDATES PAGE

INSTALL THE THEMES UPDATES, WAIT FOR IT TO FINISH, THEN CLICK ON RETURN TO UPDATES PAGE.

**YOUR WEBSITE WILL BE UNAVAILABLE WHILE THE SITE IS UPDATING. TRYING TO REFRESH THE PAGE WHILE THE SITE IS UPDATING MAY CAUSE AN ERROR.**