

# mod\_rewrite

## REGULAR EXPRESSION SYNTAX

^	Start of string
\$	End of string
.	Any single character
(a b)	a or b
(...)	Group section
[abc]	Item in range (a or b or c)
[^abc]	Not in range (not a or b or c)
a?	Zero or one of a
a*	Zero or more of a
a+	One or more of a
a{3}	Exactly 3 of a
a{3,}	3 or more of a
a{3,6}	Between 3 and 6 of a
!(pattern)	"Not" prefix. Apply rule when URL does not match pattern.

## Redirection Header Codes

301	Moved permanently
302	Moved temporarily
403	Forbidden
404	Not Found
410	Gone

## Example Rules

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# Site has permanently moved to new domain
# domain.com to domain2.com
RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} ^www.domain.com$ [NC]
RewriteRule ^(.*)$ http://www.domain2.com/$1 [R=301,L]

# Page has moved temporarily
# domain.com/page.htm to domain.com/new_page.htm
RewriteRule ^page.htm$ new_page.htm [R,NC,L]

# Nice looking URLs (no querystring)
# domain.com/category-name-1/ to domain.com/categories.php?name=category-name-1
RewriteRule ^([A-Za-z0-9-]+)/?$ categories.php?name=$1 [L]

# Nice looking URLs (no querystring) with pagination
# domain.com/articles/title/5/ to domain.com/article.php?name=title&page=5
RewriteRule ^articles/([A-Za-z0-9-]+)/([0-9]+)/?$ article.php?name=$1&page=$2 [L]

# Block referrer spam
RewriteCond %{HTTP_REFERER} (weight) [NC,OR]
RewriteCond %{HTTP_REFERER} (drugs) [NC]
RewriteRule .* - [F]
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## RewriteRule FLAGS

R[=code]	Redirect to new URL, with optional code (see below).
F	Forbidden (sends 403 header)
G	Gone (no longer exists)
P	Proxy
L	Last Rule
N	Next (i.e. restart rules)
C	Chain
T=mime-type	Set Mime Type
NS	Skip if internal sub-request
NC	Case insensitive
QSA	Append query string
NE	Do not escape output
PT	Pass through
S=x	Skip next x rules
E=var:value	Set environmental variable "var" to "value".

## RewriteCond FLAGS

NC	Case insensitive
OR	Allows a rule to apply if one of a series of conditions are true.

## Server Variables

### Format

%{NAME\_OF\_VAR}

### HTTP Headers

HTTP\_USER\_AGENT  
HTTP\_REFERER  
HTTP\_COOKIE  
HTTP\_FORWARDED  
HTTP\_HOST  
HTTP\_PROXY\_CONNECTION  
HTTP\_ACCEPT

### Request

REMOTE\_ADDR  
REMOTE\_HOST  
REMOTE\_USER  
REMOTE\_IDENT  
REQUEST\_METHOD  
SCRIPT\_FILENAME  
PATH\_INFO  
QUERY\_STRING  
AUTH\_TYPE

### Server

DOCUMENT\_ROOT  
SERVER\_ADMIN  
SERVER\_NAME  
SERVER\_ADDR  
SERVER\_PORT  
SERVER\_PROTOCOL  
SERVER\_SOFTWARE

### Time

TIME\_YEAR  
TIME\_MON  
TIME\_DAY  
TIME\_HOUR  
TIME\_MIN  
TIME\_SEC  
TIME\_WDAY  
TIME

### Special

API\_VERSION  
THE\_REQUEST  
REQUEST\_URI  
REQUEST\_FILENAME  
IS\_SUBREQ

### Directives

RewriteEngine  
RewriteOptions  
RewriteLog  
RewriteLogLevel  
RewriteLock  
RewriteMap  
RewriteBase  
RewriteCond  
RewriteRule