

## Bugs & Wish list

Prevent addition of unnecessarily absolute links to self, via External Link textarea tool | Tiki Wiki CMS

Groupware :: Development

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Status

Open

Subject

Prevent addition of unnecessarily absolute links to self, via External Link textarea tool

Version

15.x

18.x

Category

- Feature request

Feature

Toolbars, Quicktags and Smileys

Resolution status

New

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Rating

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Description

Links added in a certain Tiki instance to that same Tiki instance should be wiki links when the target is a wiki page. If not, they should be relative links as much as possible, rather than absolute links. Using relative links eases domain name changes, and facilitates the management of several environments (for example, synchronizing a production environment with a development environment, like [nextdev.tiki.org](http://nextdev.tiki.org) vs [dev.tiki.org](http://dev.tiki.org)).

There may be cases where an absolute link is best, but these should be rare. When a user adds an external link to self with an absolute URL - for example "<http://tiki.org/Foo>" - which starts with one of the Tiki site root's base URL-s - for example "<http://tiki.org/>" - Tiki should detect the situation and convert to a relative link - for example ["/Foo](#)" - unless the user really wants an absolute URL.

One vector through which URL-s are commonly inserted is the External Link tool in the toolbars of parsed text fields. This tool should be modified to detect attempted insertions of absolute links to self and offer the user conversion to relative.

I imagine there should be an administrative preference to control behavior - either automatically convert to a relative link, or prompt users. Should there be more options?

I believe the default should be to prompt users.

Importance

6

Easy to solve?

4

Priority

24

Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)

Please demonstrate your bug on [show2.tiki.org](https://show2.tiki.org)

Version: trunk ▼

Demonstrate Bug (older Tiki versions)

Please demonstrate your bug on [show.tikiwiki.org](https://show.tikiwiki.org)

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