

## Bugs & Wish list

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### Status

Closed

### Subject

Update Tiki importer to support current MediaWiki XML spec

### Version

16.x

### Category

- Feature request

### Feature

Import-Export

### Resolution status

Fixed or Solved

### Submitted by

Oshyan

### Volunteered to solve

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### Rating

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### Related-to

- Theme and Tools for MediaWiki migration
- Update Tiki importer to current MediaWiki XSD 0.11
- Mediawiki import fails

### Description

The existing Tiki importer which supports MediaWiki needs updating to support the latest MediaWiki spec. The Tiki importer seems to be several years out of date. Supporting the latest MediaWiki spec would help increase Tiki adoption from other platforms, where many users have large amounts of existing data that they want - and are currently unable - to migrate over.

The current spec for the XML format is here: <https://www.mediawiki.org/xml/export-0.10.xsd>

I don't remember for sure but I think the last supported format in the Tiki importer is 0.6 (maybe 0.4?). If that's the case it does not look like the changes since then are massive. Certainly it would take time to implement support in the import parser to handle the additional tags, but if they don't map to anything in Tiki they can just be ignored, and since they were never supported previously, it seems like that would not be much of a loss. In other words I believe that supporting the updates to the format should not be tremendously labor intensive.

Linking to my original forum post and feature request here for details and explanation of why I think this is important and valuable for the Tiki project:

<https://tiki.org/forumthread65578#threadId65617>

## Solution

Done: <https://sourceforge.net/p/tikiwiki/code/65119>

[https://doc.tiki.org/Tiki18#MediaWiki\\_importer](https://doc.tiki.org/Tiki18#MediaWiki_importer)

## Importance

8

## Easy to solve?

6

## Priority

48

## 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)

Version: `18.x` ▼

## Ticket ID

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Monday 17 July, 2017 20:02:19 GMT-0000  
by Oshyan

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Thursday 02 March, 2023 18:45:51 GMT-0000

## Comments



John Morris 21 Jul 17 14:01 GMT-0000

Oshyan, great suggestion!

I hope this gets picked up, a major huge feature that really gets new folks excited about coming over to Tiki, but they are quickly disappointed when they find out it is non-functional.



Marc Laporte 21 Jul 17 22:00 GMT-0000

Oshyan: I agree it's important.

Can we use some of your data sets for testing the update? (assuming info is not confidential)

Do you know if the spec is backwards-compatible? So if we support 0.10.xsd, will it automatically work on older versions?

Thanks!



John Morris 21 Jul 17 22:04 GMT-0000

I am so happy Marc to see you reply to this project! This little missing link to Tiki would be an incredible feature to re-enable. Thanks for picking this up!!!!



Marc Laporte 06 Nov 17 12:19 GMT-0000

This has been coded: Tiki import support for ver. 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 0.10 and it's waiting to be merged in. It's in the very long pipeline of things that are coded and just need to be merged in. We are hoping to get in before the Tiki 18.x deadline (branching is mid-November)



John Morris 06 Nov 17 12:42 GMT-0000

This is incredible news! Marc, you guys outdone yourself! So it looks like it's fixed for v7 through 10, but we'll have a working importer for v18 when it comes out?  
Thanks so much!



Marc Laporte 06 Nov 17 13:01 GMT-0000

If we miss 18, it will be 19



Oshyan 07 Nov 17 07:23 GMT-0000

Exciting indeed! Thank you, I really look forward to this.

- Oshyan



Marc Laporte 25 Nov 17 00:04 GMT-0000

PHP 5 vs PHP7 bug: we hit a bug with PHP 7. Still working on it...



Oshyan 25 Nov 17 19:33 GMT-0000

Thank you very much for the update! Even if there is a problem or delay it is good to know it is still in progress. Your work is very much appreciated.

I am sorry I missed the earlier reply here. If you still need data to test, I am happy to provide some, it is not confidential.



Marc Laporte 26 Nov 17 03:02 GMT-0000

We managed.

As soon as it's in the code base, you can get from Daily Build and test to confirm all is well.



Marc Laporte 08 Jan 18 01:56 GMT-0000

Done: <https://sourceforge.net/p/tikiwiki/code/65119>



Oshyan 08 Jan 18 02:39 GMT-0000

Wonderful, thank you! I'll test it as soon as I can, probably not immediately unfortunately, but within a week or two. I'll report back when I do.



Oshyan>Oshyan 12 Jul 18 23:04 GMT-0000

Replied to Wonderful,... Much later that I intended, sorry about this. However, does not seem to be working in release 18. I will try to test Trunk/19. Is it supposed to be in 18?



Marc Laporte>Oshyan 03 Nov 18 03:32 GMT-0000

Replied to Much later...

yes. 19.x [https://doc.tiki.org/Tiki19#MediaWiki\\_importer](https://doc.tiki.org/Tiki19#MediaWiki_importer)

Code was added on 2018-01-07

<https://sourceforge.net/p/tikiwiki/code/65119>

Branch 18.x was created on 2017-11-23

<https://sourceforge.net/p/tikiwiki/code/64697>



John Morris 29 Nov 17 19:39 GMT-0000

Yahoo tiki devs!!!!!!!!!!



Marc Laporte 02 Mar 23 18:46 GMT-0000

Follow up: item7612-Update-Tiki-importer-to-current-MediaWiki-XSD-0-11

#### Attachments

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The original document is available at

<https://dev.tiki.org/item6402-Update-Tiki-importer-to-support-current-MediaWiki-XML-spec>