

# Taking a THRIVE Website Live

## Overview

The aim of this article is to walk you through the steps of taking a THRIVE website live once the build process has been finished. It uses GoDaddy as an example. This guide also assumes you have access to the Registrar account that contains the domain name (i.e. GoDaddy.com).

## Update DNS / Name Servers

- Log into the registrars website (We will use GoDaddy as our example).
- Click on Manage for the Domains
- Locate the MAIN domain name you are using for the website, click the down arrow
- Next to the domain name, and click on Manage DNS
- You will see this page 1 of 2 ways. You will either see a bunch of records or an error message stating “zone file unavailable”

### Scenario 1: I see records!

- Locate the A record usually displayed with an @ sign and click the Edit button
- Change Points to IP address to 107.22.106.121 and to make it move as fast as possible, change the TTL to Custom, set to 600 seconds and then click Finish.
- Do the following only if your merchant has MX records for an email system:
  - Scroll down to the MX (Mail Exchanger) and delete the current MX records
  - Add your merchants current MX records provided from current email host
- **IMPORTANT: Don't forget to confirm your changes by clicking the additional Save Changes link when in GoDaddy. Other registrars may have similar additional save confirmations.**

## Scenario 2: I have an error message.

- Click the Settings tab then click on Manage located in the Nameservers area
- Click on the Standard option, this will change the Nameservers to the default GoDaddy Nameservers then click save.
- Wait 1-5 minutes for GoDaddy to finalize your change. Refresh the screen until you see The default DOMAINCONTROL.COM nameservers.
- Now that your NameServers are up to date click on the DNS Zone File tab and You should now see records listed below.

## Site is Live

- Excellent! Your site settings to go live are now complete!
- **Note:** The DNS changes to your site can take 24-48 hours to properly propagate so that you see the website live.