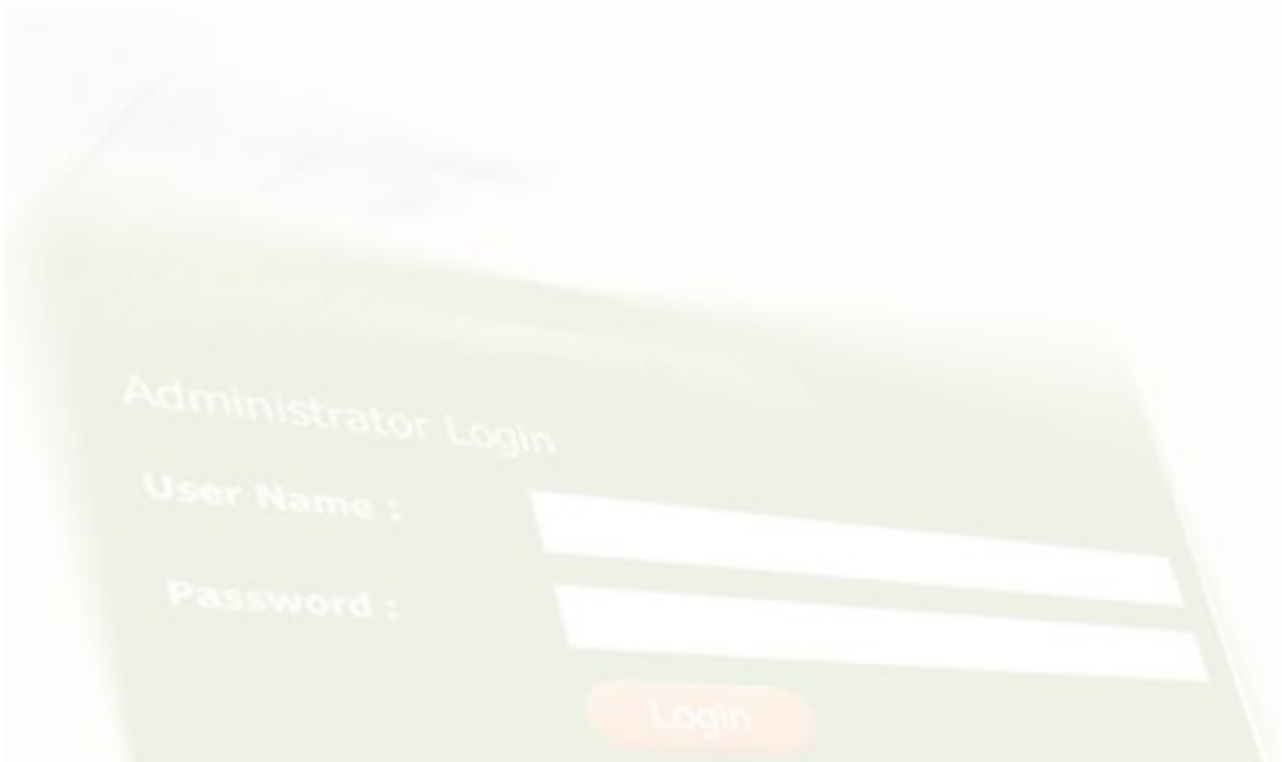


Product Options Module

Hosted Ecommerce Service Module Help Document

This module is installed on all stores by default under all hosting plans of hosted e-Commerce service as available at ecommercehosted.com



Product Options add-on module introduces complete support for product options to your online store catalog. This module provides you with the following advanced capabilities:

- you can define option classes to reflect all existing varieties of one product - no more need to make multiple copies (clones) of existing products for each and every product size and color available at your store;
- having a choice of product options rather than a list of similar products is also more convenient and intuitive to your customers, which leads to a higher satisfaction with your store;
- different product options can be set up to vary in price and weight;
- product option classes can be defined individually for a particular product or jointly for a category or a group of categories;
- product options import/export capability allows you to use CVS file format for bulk product options updates;
- the **Product Options** module supplements the functionality of the **Inventory Tracking (Optional Add On Module)** , **Wholesale Trading**, **Wish List** and **Product Adviser** modules. Please note that Inventory Tracking module is an Optional Add On Module available at one time fee of US \$125 only. If ordered after completion of design integration then US \$55.00 would be additional for updating the design to be compatible with the Inventory Tracking module.

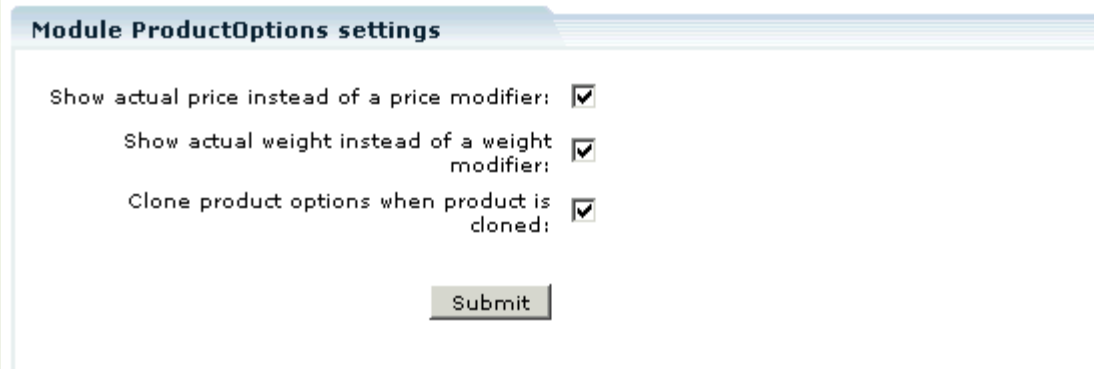
This documentation will guide you through the process of **Product Options** add-on module configuration and use.

Configuring the module

This module comes pre-installed on all plans available at <http://www.ecommercehosted.com> so you can only enable/disable and configure the module for use on your store. You cannot INSTALL/UNINSTALL this module like any other module available on your store in Admin > Modules section.

Click on the '**Product Options**' module link in Settings > Modules in your admin to enter the module's settings page as shown in figure 1 below:

Admin menu :: Modules :: ProductOptions settings



Module ProductOptions settings

Show actual price instead of a price modifier:

Show actual weight instead of a weight modifier:

Clone product options when product is cloned:

Figure 1: Configuring Product Options Module Settings.

The following settings are configured here:

- **Show actual price instead of a price modifier:** this setting has an effect on how product prices of different product options are displayed in the Customer Zone. If you select this option, the calculated price will be shown; otherwise the difference with the basic price is shown.
- **Show actual weight instead of a weight modifier:** this setting has an effect on how product weights of different product options are displayed in the Customer Zone. If you select this option, the calculated weight will be shown; otherwise the difference with the basic weight is shown.
- **Clone product options when product is cloned:** select this option if you would like product options to be cloned when a product is cloned; clear the check box to clone product details without product options.

Click on the 'Update' button for new settings to take effect.

Product options for individual products

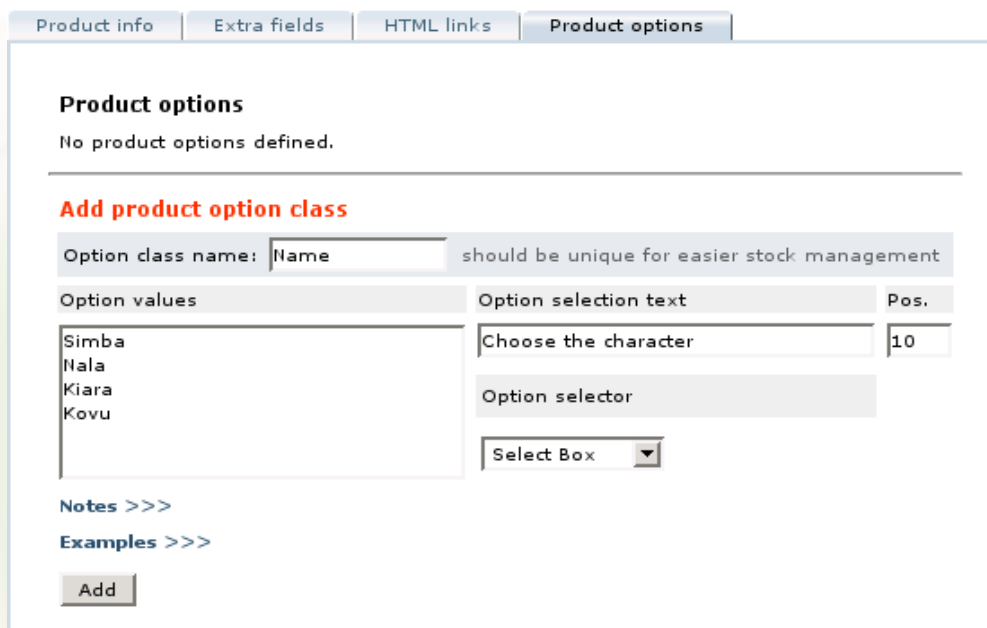
Product Options module provides the possibility to define as many product options as needed. Related product options are grouped into classes (a good example of a product option class is 'ShoeSize', where each size is an individual option in that class). Multiple option classes can be defined for one product. If more than one product option class is defined, a customer can choose any available combination of product options from different classes (if we add a 'ShoeWidth' class with a set of width variants, a customer will be able to choose any shoe width available for his size).

Defining product option classes

In order to define a class of product options for an individual product, follow the instructions below:

1. Search for the product and proceed to its details page. The 'Product Info' screen appears.
2. Click on the 'Product Options' tab to display the product options page (Figure 2).

Admin menu :: Product list :: Edit product "TLC Lion Cub toy"



The screenshot shows the 'Product options' configuration page for the product 'TLC Lion Cub toy'. The page has a navigation bar with tabs: 'Product info', 'Extra fields', 'HTML links', and 'Product options'. The main content area is titled 'Product options' and contains the text 'No product options defined.' Below this is a section titled 'Add product option class' with a form. The form includes an 'Option class name' field with the value 'Name' and a note 'should be unique for easier stock management'. There is a table for 'Option values' with columns 'Option selection text' and 'Pos.'. The table contains one row with 'Simba' as the value, 'Choose the character' as the selection text, and '10' as the position. Below the table is an 'Option selector' dropdown menu set to 'Select Box'. At the bottom of the form are links for 'Notes >>>' and 'Examples >>>', and an 'Add' button.


Option values	Option selection text	Pos.
Simba Nala Kiara Kovu	Choose the character	10

Figure 2: Defining New Product Option Class.

3. In the 'Add product option' section, provide the details of the product option you are about to define:

- In the '**Option class name**' field type in the name of the option class as it will appear on the shopping cart page and in the catalog database. This name must be unique (E.g.: 'ShoeSize', 'ProductColor', 'ToolVoltage').
- In the '**Option values**' field type in the names of the options as they will appear in the Customer zone. Each option must be listed on a new line.
- In the '**Option selection text**' field type in the message that will appear at the customer front-end when a customer is offered to choose from the range of available options (E.g.: 'Choose your shoe size', 'Specify color', 'What is your voltage').
- '**Option selector**' setting specifies how the options will be presented to a customer. You can choose from the following variants: 'Select Box' (default type), 'Radio Button', 'Text' and 'Text Area'.

4. Click on the 'Add' button to save the new product option class definition.

 **Please Note:** The last two variants mean that a customer will be provided a space to type in the product option of his choice.

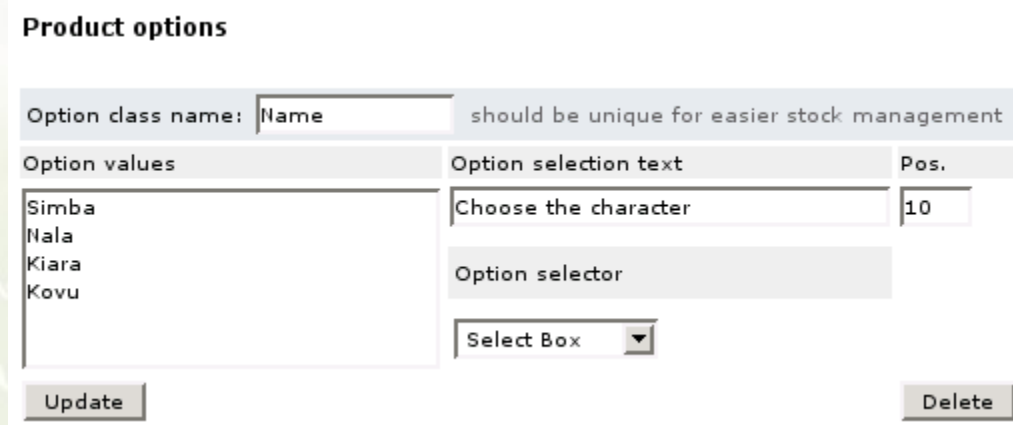
If you choose 'Text' or 'Text Area' option type, the 'Option values' field must be empty.

When you choose 'Text' and 'Text Area' variants of option type, additional 'Size' parameter appears allowing you to define the size of the text box.

Modifying product option classes

To update parameters of a product option class, make the necessary modifications in the fields defining the product option class and click on the corresponding 'Update' button to commit the changes (Figure 3).

To delete a product option class, click on the corresponding 'Delete' button.



Product options

Option class name: <input type="text" value="Name"/>	should be unique for easier stock management	
Option values	Option selection text	Pos.
<input type="text" value="Simba
Nala
Kiara
Kovu"/>	<input type="text" value="Choose the character"/>	<input type="text" value="10"/>
	Option selector	
	<input type="text" value="Select Box"/>	
<input type="button" value="Update"/>		<input type="button" value="Delete"/>

Figure 3: Modifying product option class

Defining option-specific product prices and product weights

The flexibility of the **Product Options** module allows you to set specific prices and/or weights on individual product options. This can be done by specifying product option modifiers. The modifiers are set by placing an equality sign after the option value and specifying product price variations in the following format:

- '+X' or 'X': to add X to the basic price of a product, where X is a fixed value in the store's default currency;
- '-X': to subtract X from the basic price of a product, where X is a fixed value in the store's default currency;
- '+X%' or 'X%': to add X percent to the basic price of a product;
- '-X%': to subtract X percent from the basic price of a product;

and product weight variations in the following format:

- 'w+Y' or 'wY': to add Y to the basic weight of a product, where Y is a fixed value in the store's default weight units;
- 'w-Y': to subtract Y from the basic weight of a product, where Y is a fixed value in the store's default weight units;
- 'w+Y%' or 'wY%': to add Y percent to the basic weight of a product;
- 'w-Y%': to subtract Y percent from the basic weight of a product.

If a product option has both weight and price modifiers, they must be separated by a semi-colon.



Example:

If for example store specializes in plush toys and offers plush 'TLC Lion Cub toy' in five sizes, the list of options might look like shown in Figure 4. With the basic price of the toy being equal to \$20 and the weight being 5lbs, the customer will see the list of options as shown in Figure 14.

Product options

Option class name: <input type="text" value="Size"/> should be unique for easier stock management	
Option values	Option selection text
Jumbo=900%;w95	Choose the cub's size
Large=20;w200%	
Regular	Option selector
Small=-10;w-40%	<input type="text" value="20"/>
Tiny=-70%;w-4	<input type="text" value="Radio Button"/>
<input type="button" value="Update"/>	<input type="button" value="Delete"/>

Figure 4: Using price and weight modifiers in product options class definition



If some products at your online store have multiple product option classes defined with price or weight modifiers present in more than one class, it is recommended that you disable the 'Show actual price instead of a price modifier' option in the Product Options module settings to avoid customer confusion. This is just a recommendation and not a mandatory setting.

Excluding option combinations

You can exclude from the list of available options those combinations of product options that are not possible or not provided at your store. Your customers will not be able to add such combinations to their shopping carts: attempting to do so will produce a message, informing the customer that this combination cannot be chosen.

To define a combination of options to be excluded, under the 'Exclude option combination' choose the combination of options to be excluded and click on the 'Add' button next to it (Figure 5). The newly defined combination will appear under the list of 'Excluded option combinations'. Multiple combinations can be defined.

To delete the combination from the list, click on the 'Delete' button located to the right from it.

Excluded option combinations

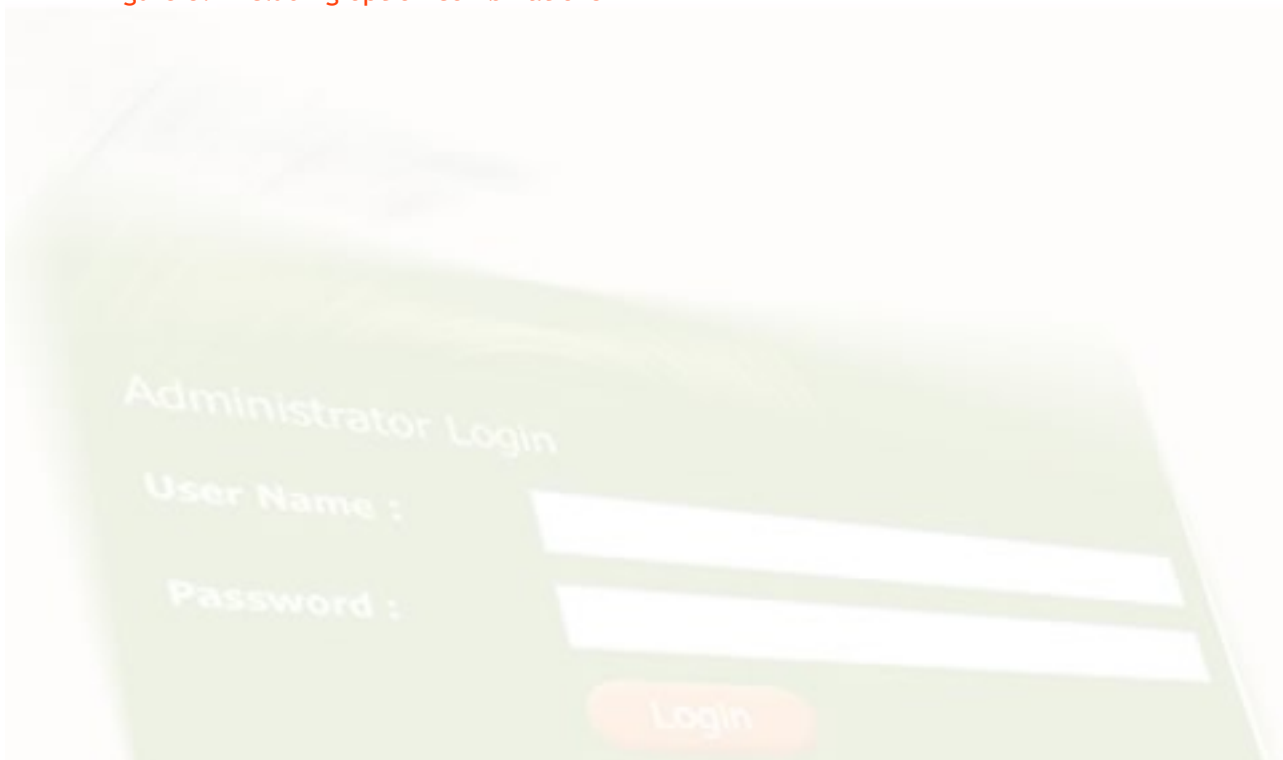
Name=Kiara;Size=Jumbo	Delete
Name=Kovu;Size=Tiny	Delete

Exclude option combination

Name: Size:

Add

Figure 5: Excluding option combinations



Using JavaScript enhancements

Moreover, the **Product Options** module allows you to write your own JavaScript code to validate complex product options rules, set up additional conditions, provide important details on selected options or introduce other enhancements. The code you provide will be executed when a customer makes an attempt to add a certain product option to his shopping cart. If the code returns the 'true' exit code, the product is being added to the customer's shopping cart, otherwise it is not.

JavaScript enhancements

```
if (product_option('Name').selectedIndex == 0) {  
    alert("You have chosen Simba! Simba is a lion cub who can't wait to be King.\nHis eyes are burgundy on yellow.");  
}  
if (product_option('Name').selectedIndex == 1) {  
    alert("You have chosen Nala! Nala is Simba's best friend.\nHer eyes are aquamarine on yellow.");  
}  
if (product_option('Name').selectedIndex == 2 || product_option('Name').selectedIndex == 3) {  
    {  
        selection = confirm("Kiara and Kovu are special order items and will take 2 to 4 weeks to deliver. Do you want to add a cub to your cart?");  
        return selection;  
    }  
}  
return true;
```

Update

Delete

Example >>>

Figure 6: Sample JavaScript code used to enhance product options functionality

Type the JavaScript code in the text box provided under the 'JavaScript enhancements' sub-title, and click on the 'Add' button to commit the code. Figure 6 demonstrates typical use of JavaScript code (for the definition of the product class used in Figure 6 see Figure 3).

JavaScript code can be used in combination with other product options, for example, text fields.



Please note: Javascript customizations are not a part of store setup and configuration done by us and if this is needed then it would be charged additional on case to case basis. Request for quote specifying the detailed requirements.

Typical Example:

This example shows how to use JavaScript together with text fields. Customers will see two text fields on the product page: Login and Password. If they try to order the product without entering their login and password an alert box pops up with a request to complete the corresponding text fields.

Password :

Login



Description

This Jogger has a nylon/suede leather upper and a rubber outsole.


Details

Weight: 1.00 lbs
Price: \$ 15.00

Options

Enter your login:

Enter your password:

 Add to Cart

Follow the instructions below to achieve the described effect.


Add 2 text fields as product options (for detailed instructions see the DEFINING PRODUCT OPTION CLASSES section). Name the fields Login and Password. Using the JavaScript enhancement form enter the following JavaScript code, making these fields required.

```
// obtaining the value of the Login option
var elm = product_option('Login');
// stripping all space symbols
var loginOpt = elm.value.replace(/ /g, '');
// checking the length of the Login option without space symbols
if (loginOpt.length == 0) {
    alert('Please fill in the Login field!');
    return false;
}
// obtaining the value of the Password option
var elm = product_option('Password');
// stripping all space symbols
var passwordOpt = elm.value.replace(/ /g, '');
// checking the length of the Password option without space symbols
if (passwordOpt.length == 0) {
    alert('Please fill in the Password field!');
    return false;
}
// all fields pass OK
return true;
```



Global product options

Product option classes can also be defined and managed globally using 'Global Product Options' section of the 'Catalog' menu. This section allows you to add identical sets of product options to all products within a specified category(-ies) at once and remove global product options from entire categories.

 **Please Note:** *If a product is moved to a different category, it loses the global product options inherited from its former category and obtains the global product options defined for the new one.*


The interface used to manage global product option classes is essentially the same as that of individual product option classes.

Defining global product options classes

In order to define a new global product option class, provide the following settings:

1. Under the 'Add global product option' subtitle (Figure 9), provide the details of the global product option class you are defining:

- Select a category to which the new global product option class will be added. You can select multiple categories in the list by clicking on the category names while holding the <CTRL> button.
- In the 'Option class name' field type in the name of the option class as it will appear at the Customer Zone and in the catalog database. This name must be unique (E.g.: 'ShoeSize', 'ProductColor', 'ToolVoltage').
- In the 'Option values' field type in the names of the options as they will appear at the Customer Front-End. Each option must be listed on a new line.
- In the 'Option selection text' field type in the message that will appear at the customer front-end when a customer is offered to choose from the range of available options (E.g.: 'Choose your shoe size', 'Specify color', 'What is your voltage').
- 'Option selector' setting specifies how the options will be presented to a customer. You can choose from the following variants: 'Select Box' (default type), 'Radio Button', 'Text' and 'Text Area'.

 **Please Note:** *The last two variants mean that a customer will be provided a space to type in the product option of his choice.*

If you choose 'Text' or 'Text Area' option type, the 'Option values' field must be empty.

When you choose 'Text' and 'Text Area' variants of option type, additional 'Option size' parameter appears allowing you to define the size of the text box.

User Name :

Password :

Login

- **Pos.** field is used to sort options in case there is more than one option defined for a product. Option classes with lower **Pos.** values will appear at the beginning of the list of option classes.

2. Click on the **'Add to selected'** button to save the definition of the new global product option class.

Admin menu :: Global product options

Global product options

This page allows you to add product options to all products within a specified category(-ies) at once, make global modifications to existing product options and remove product options from entire categories.

Hint: Option classes for individual products can be defined in the 'Product options' tab of the respective 'Product info' pages.

Add global product option class

Select categories:

- Household
- Household/Cookers
- Household/Furnaces
- Household/Microwaves
- Household/Ustensils
- Household/Vacuum cleaners
- Household/Washing machines
- Men Clothes
- Men Clothes/Shirts
- Men Clothes/T-shirts

Option class name: should be unique for easier stock management

Option values	Option selection text	Pos.
110V	Choose voltage	10
220V		

Option selector


Select Box ▼

[Notes >>>](#)
[Examples >>>](#)

Figure 7: Defining a global product option class

Changing the set of categories

To modify the list of categories to which a global option class applies, select the necessary categories and click the 'Update' button below the option values (Figure 8).

 **Please Note:** *It is impossible to modify a global product option, because the option may have been customized for individual products. You can only delete the existing option and create a new one with different settings.*

To delete a global product option class click on the 'Delete' button to the right from the option class definition.

Admin menu :: Global product options

Global product options

This page allows you to add product options to all products within a specified category(-ies) at once, make global modifications to existing product options and remove product options from entire categories.

Hint: Option classes for individual products can be defined in the 'Product options' tab of the respective 'Product info' pages.

Option class name: should be unique for easier stock management

Option values	Option selection text	Pos.	Categories
110V/60Hz 220V/50Hz 127V/50Hz	Choose voltage/freq Option selector <input type="text" value="Select Box"/>	10	<input type="radio"/> for All <input checked="" type="radio"/> for Selected Games and toys/Dolls Games and toys/PC games Games and toys/Puzzles Household Household/Cookers Household/Furnaces Household/Microwaves Household/Ustensils Household/Vacuum cleaners Household/Washing machines

Figure 8: Modifying global product option class

Customizing global product options for individual product

When you have defined a global product option class, it is added to the list of available product option classes of each product in the category (Figure 9). In the 'Product options' tab of a product it looks exactly the same as product's own option classes except that its name appears in bold font and cannot be modified. Additionally, you see a '**Delete global product option**' link instead of a 'Delete' button next to the global product option class definition.

Admin menu :: Product list :: Edit product "Indesit W103 Washing Machine (a)"

Product info

Extra fields

HTML links

Product options

Product options

Option class name: **voltage-freq** [GLOBAL]

Option values	Option selection text	Pos.
110V/60Hz 220V/50Hz	Choose voltage and frequency	10

Option selector
Select Box ▼

[▶ Delete Global product option](#)

Option class name: should be unique for easier stock manage

Option values	Option selection text	Pos.
white black off-white	Select color	20

Option selector
Select Box ▼

Figure 9: Global product option class shown in the list of options of an individual product

You can customize global product option class parameters for individual product; any parameter can be changed except for the option class name, which always remains the same. Find the product and choose the 'Product options' tab. Modify the parameters of the global product option class as you would do it for a regular product option class and click on the '**Update**' button next to the definition to save the changes.

If you click on the 'Delete Global product option' link, you will be redirected to the 'Global product options' page where you will be able to delete or otherwise modify the global product option class. Deleting a class there will remove it from all associated categories. Since you cannot delete a global product option class from an individual product page only, there is a work-around if you want to hide that option class from your customers' view. In the 'Product options' tab find the global product option class you want to disable and remove all the option values, change option selector type to 'Select Box' or 'Radio button', and then click on the '**Update**' button.

Importing/Exporting product options

The list of product options can be exported into a CSV file and imported from a CSV file for ease of stock management. Both individual product options and global product options can be imported and exported. In a CSV file, each line provides a definition of a separate option class, product-specific or global.

Importing product options

When preparing a CSV file for import:

- In order to import a global product option class, place empty strings in the 'sku' and 'name' fields (described below) in global product option class definition lines.
- If your CSV file contains global product option class definition and also a customized definition of the same class for an individual product, the line with the global product option class definition must precede the customized definition. Moreover, it is recommended to place all global product option class definitions at the beginning of the CSV file, to be followed by product-specific option class definitions.


To import product option classes from a CSV file, take the following steps (Figure 12):

1. In the Administrator Zone, choose 'Import catalog' section in the 'Catalog' menu.
2. Select the 'Import product options' tab.
3. Specify the order of product option detail fields as they appear in the CSV file. The following field types can be used:

- **sku** - for product SKU number;
- **name** - for product name;
- **optclass** - for option class name;
- **opttext** - for option selection text;
- **options** - for the list of available options;
- **opttype** - for option selector type;
- **cols** - for the width of a text area if the 'Text Area' or 'Text' type of selector is used;
- **rows** - for amount of rows in a text area if the 'Text Area' type of selector is used;
- **orderby** - for 'Pos.' value;
- **categories** - for the list of categories (used with global product option classes).

Password :

Login

 **Please Note:** All remaining fields must be set to 'NULL'.

4. Select the delimiter and the text qualifier used in the CSV file.
5. Choose the CSV file to import. If the file is located on the server, enter its location in the 'File (CSV) local' field. If the CSV file is located on your local computer, click on the 'Browse...' button next to the 'File (CSV) for upload' field to locate the file.
6. Click on the 'Import' button to import the product options data from the CSV file.

Admin menu :: Export catalog

Export products Export extra fields **Export product options**

This page allows to export product options into CSV file.

Column order:

0: sku 1: name 2: optclass 3: opttext

9: options 10: opttype

Delimiter:
Comma

Export

Figure 10: Importing product options

Administrator Login

User Name :

Password :

Login

Exporting product options

To export product options into a CSV file, follow the instructions below (Figure 11):

Admin menu :: Export catalog

Export products Export extra fields **Export product options**

This page allows to export product options into CSV file.

Column order:

0: sku 1: name 2: optclass 3: opttext

9: options 10: opttype

Delimiter:
Comma

Export

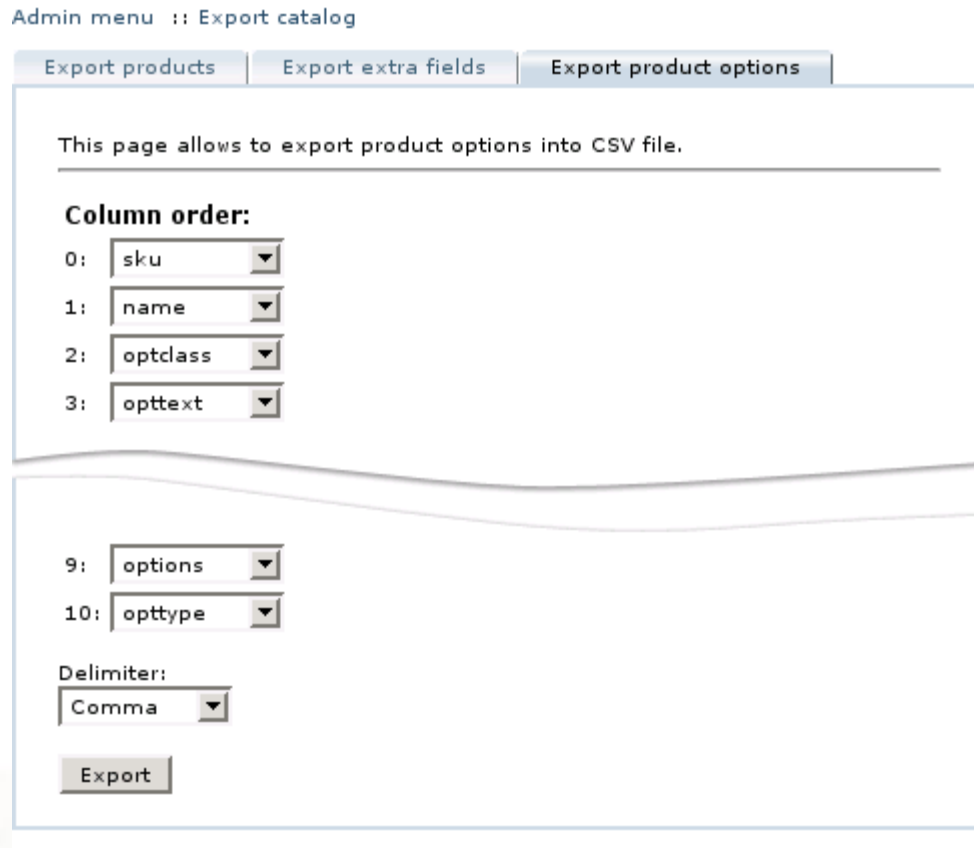


Figure 11: Exporting product options


Administrator Login

User Name :

Password :

Login

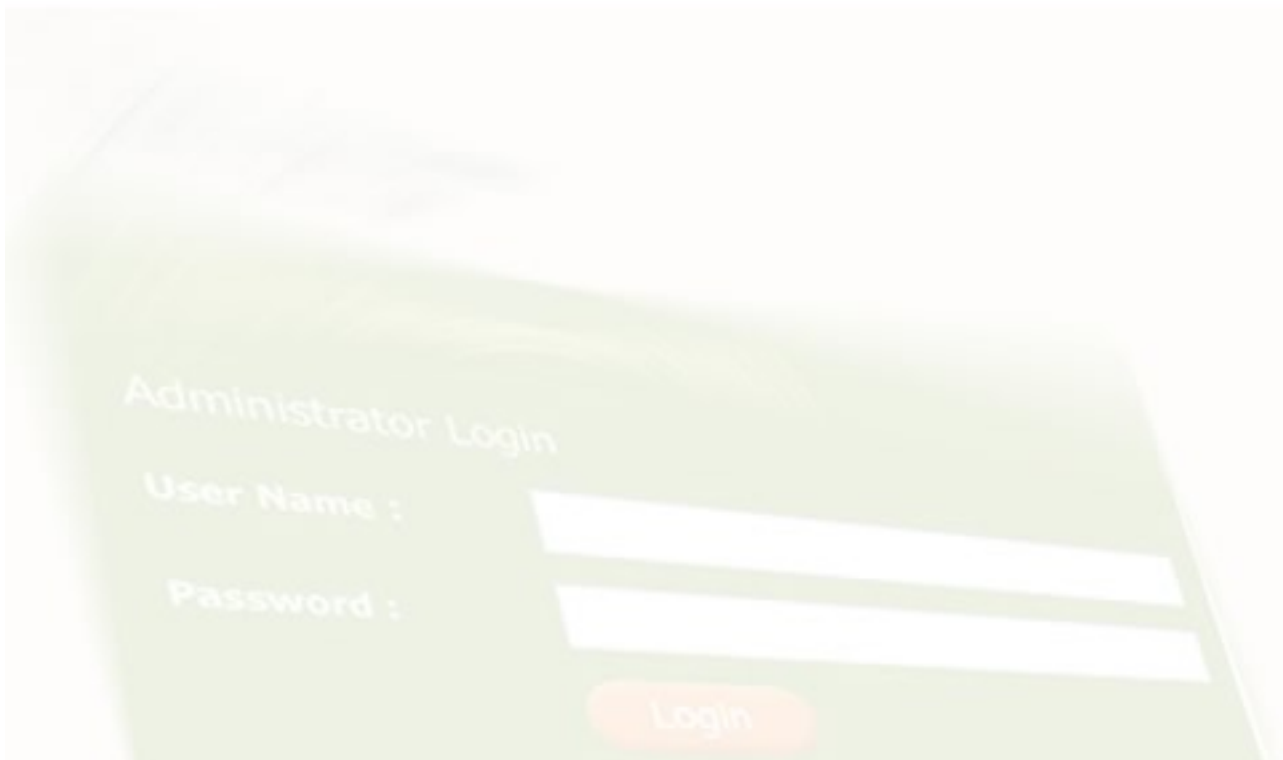
1. In the Administrator Zone, choose 'Export catalog' section in the 'Catalog' menu.
2. Select the 'Export product options' tab.
3. In the 'Column order' form specify the order in which data fields should appear in the resulting CSV file. The following field types are available:
 - **sku** - for product SKU number;
 - **name** - for product name;
 - **optclass** - for option class name;
 - **opttext** - for option selection text;
 - **options** - for the list of available options;
 - **opttype** - for option selector type;
 - **cols** - for the width of a text area if the 'Text Area' or 'Text' type of selector is used;
 - **rows** - for amount of rows in a text area if the 'Text Area' type of selector is used;
 - **orderby** - for 'Pos.' value;
 - **categories** - for the list of categories (used with global product option classes).

 **Please Note:** *All remaining fields must be set to 'NULL'.*

4. Select the field delimiter conforming to the CSV file format you are using.
5. Click on the '**Export**' button to export wholesale pricing data into a CSV file.

The default name of the exported file is 'product_options.csv'. If a file with this name already exists, the newly generated file will be named 'product_options-N.csv', where 'N' is the first integer number to form a file name which is not in use.

In the resulting CSV file, global product option class definitions are listed first, followed by product-specific option class definitions.



Customer zone

This section demonstrates how the features introduced by the **Product Options add-on module** are reflected in the **Customer Zone**.

First of all, defining product options affects product pages of those products that have product options defined. A customer is now given a choice of available options for a product (Figure 14).

Defining product options also influences the category listing pages. A customer who clicks the 'Buy now' button of a product which has product options, is directed to the product details page, where he needs to select one or a combination of options before adding a product to cart. Only after a customer selects one of the options (or a combination of options if more than one option class is defined for the product) he can add the product to his shopping cart.

Catalog > TLC Lion Cub toy



Description

This beautiful lion cub from The Lion King is made of super soft polyester fiber. With his wide eyes and happy demeanor, this rambunctious lion cub is sure to inspire lots of hugs. It has soft, squeezable ears, and makes a perfect companion for reading, watching TV, or just lounging around. The toy is surface washable.

Details

Weight: 5.00 lbs
Price: **\$ 20.00**

Options

Choose the character:

Simba ▾

Choose the cub's size:

- Jumbo (Price: \$ 200.00 Weight: 100 lbs)
- Large (Price: \$ 40.00 Weight: 15 lbs)
- Regular
- Small (Price: \$ 10.00 Weight: 3 lbs)
- Tiny (Price: \$ 6.00 Weight: 1 lbs)




Figure 14: Product option selection at the product page

If a customer decides to buy different variants of the same product, each option appears

separately in the customer's shopping cart (Figure 15). Quantities of different product options can be changed independently.

Shopping cart

The items in your shopping cart are listed below. To remove any item click "Delete Item". To place your order, please click "CHECKOUT".




TLC Lion Cub toy

Super soft Plush Lion Cub is a huggable playtime pal.

Selected options:
Name: Simba
Size: Jumbo

Weight: 100 lbs
Price: \$ 200.00 x = \$ 200.00

[Delete item](#)



TLC Lion Cub toy

Super soft Plush Lion Cub is a huggable playtime pal.

Selected options:
Name: Nala
Size: Small

Weight: 9 lbs
Price: \$ 10.00 x = \$ 30.00

[Delete item](#)

Figure 15: Shopping cart containing two options of the same product

Figure 14 demonstrates how 'Select Box' and 'Radio Button' option selector types can be used for product option selection. The next figure demonstrates the use of the 'Text Area' selector type (Figure 16).



Description

Vacuum cleaner Acenta
800W S3085

Model S 3105:
- Power 800 W
- Weigth 2,9 kg

Details

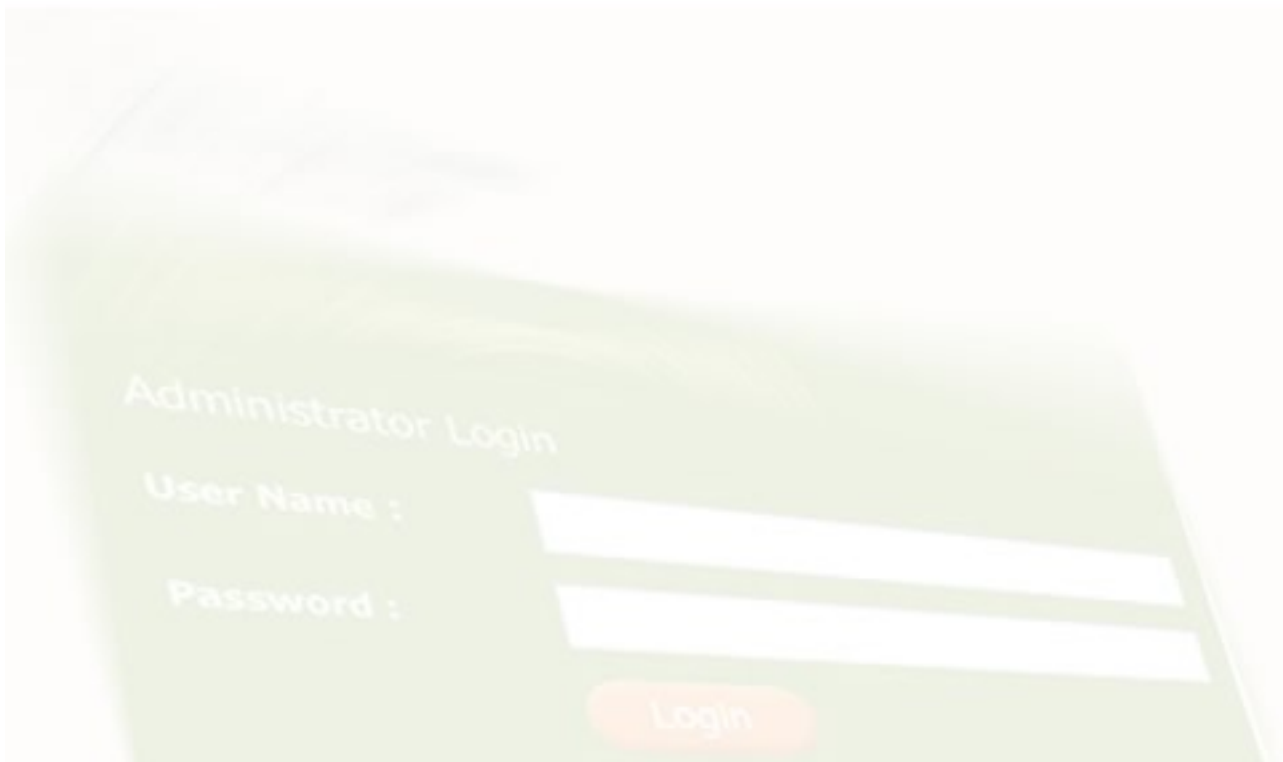
Weight: 1.00 lbs
Price: \$ 229.00

Options

We occasionally have this vacuum cleaner in all colors of the rainbow. Please let us know if you would like some particular color:

 **Add to Cart**

Figure 16: Using 'Text Area' option selector type



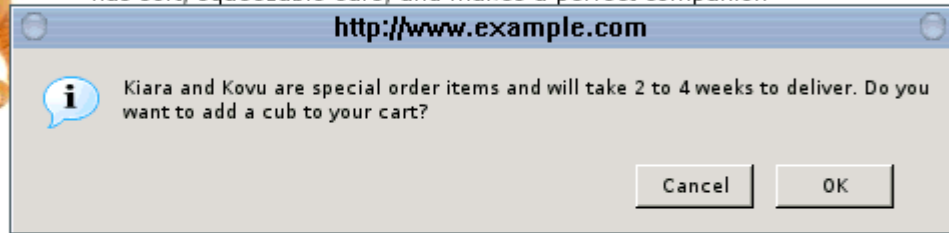
The next example (Figure 17) demonstrates the use of JavaScript enhancements as described in Section Using Javascript Enhancements

Catalog > TLC Lion Cub toy



Description

This beautiful lion cub from The Lion King is made of super soft polyester fiber. With his wide eyes and happy demeanor, this rambunctious lion cub is sure to inspire lots of hugs. It has soft, squeezable ears, and makes a perfect companion



Options

Choose the character:

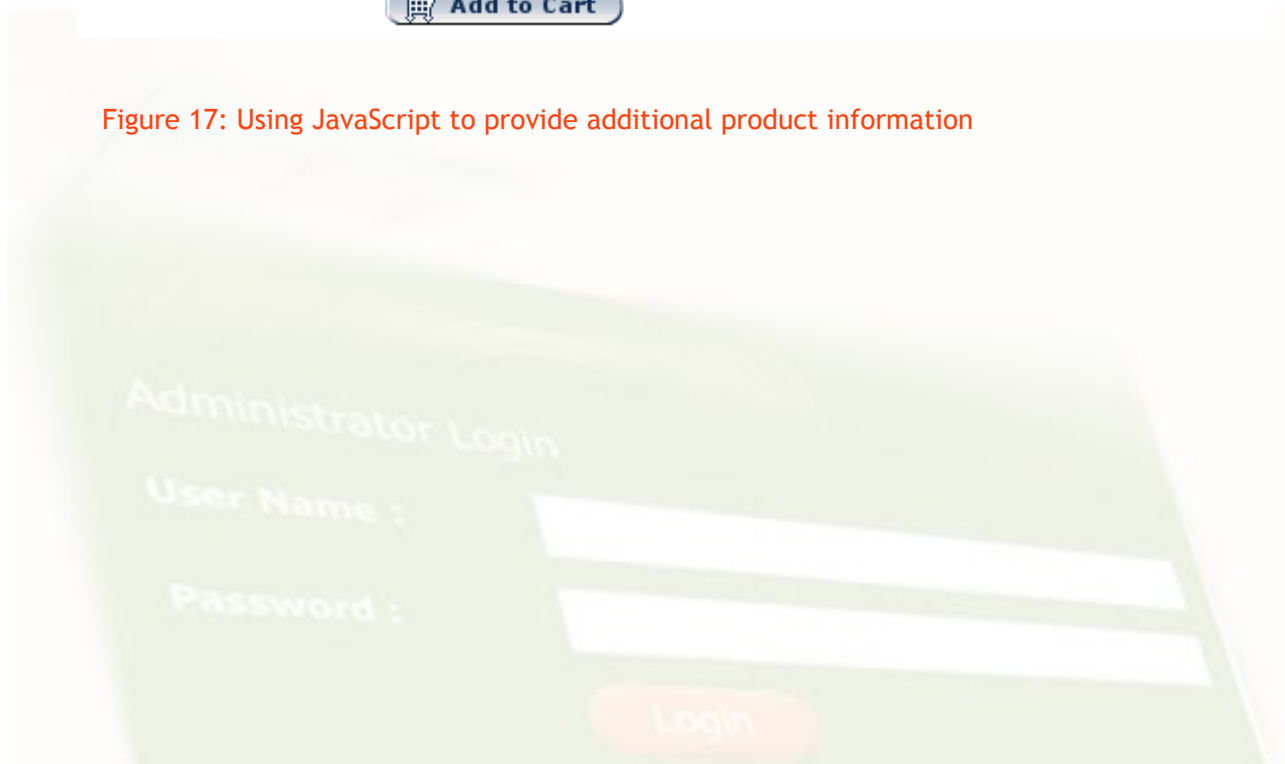
Kiara ▾

Choose the cub's size:

- Jumbo (Price: \$ 200.00 Weight: 100 lbs)
- Large (Price: \$ 40.00 Weight: 15 lbs)
- Regular
- Small (Price: \$ 10.00 Weight: 3 lbs)
- Tiny (Price: \$ 6.00 Weight: 1 lbs)

 **Add to Cart**

Figure 17: Using JavaScript to provide additional product information



In the example below (Figure 18) product options are displayed on the product details page as a list of variants. This example corresponds to the setting discussed in the **WHOLESALE TRADING** Section.

Catalog > Games and toys > Simba toy



Description

It's hard to believe that this adorable lion cub is destined to one day become the king of the beasts. Simba from The Lion King is made of super soft polyester fiber. With his wide eyes and happy demeanor, this rambunctious lion cub is sure to inspire lots of hugs. Simba has soft, squeezable ears, and makes a perfect companion for reading, watching TV, or just lounging around. Simba is surface washable.

Details

Weight: 5.00 lbs
Price: **\$ 20.00**

Options

Choose Simba's size: Jumbo (Price: \$ 200.00 Weight: 100 lbs) Large (Price: \$ 40.00 Weight: 15 lbs) Regular Small (Price: \$ 10.00 Weight: 2.5 lbs) Tiny (Price: \$ 6.00 Weight: 1 lbs)

 **Add to Cart**

Figure 18: Product options displayed as a list of available option combinations

ProductOptions and InventoryTracking Module

When both the **Product Options** module and the **Inventory Tracking** module are installed and enabled at your online store, inventory tracking can be switched to manage every product option individually rather than to manage all the product options together. The following instructions describe how to do this:

1. Find a product and proceed to its 'Product info' page.
2. Select the 'Inventory tracking' tab (Figure 19).
3. Choose 'Track product with product options' option.
4. Click on the 'Change' button to complete the setup.

Admin menu :: Product list :: Edit product "TLC Lion Cub toy"

Product info
Extra fields
HTML links
Inventory tracking
Product options

Track product:

Tracking options

#1	
Selected options	Name: Simba Size: Jumbo
Quantity in stock	<input type="text" value="20"/>
Low stock limit *	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Inventory tracking for this option is	<input type="text" value="enabled"/>
<input type="button" value="Update"/> <input type="button" value="Delete"/>	

Add tracking option

Select option class	Option value
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Name	<input type="text" value="Simba"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Size	<input type="text" value="Regular"/>
Quantity in stock	<input type="text" value="1000"/>
Low stock limit *	<input type="text" value="10"/>
Inventory tracking for this option is	<input type="text" value="disabled"/>
<input type="button" value="Add"/>	


* **Low stock limit:** the quantity in stock when a notification is sent to admin

Figure 19: Using inventory tracking to manage individual product options

Now you can define stock quantities and stock limits for individual product options. Please refer to the **Inventory Tracking** module manual for details on using the module.

ProductOptions and WholesaleTrading Module

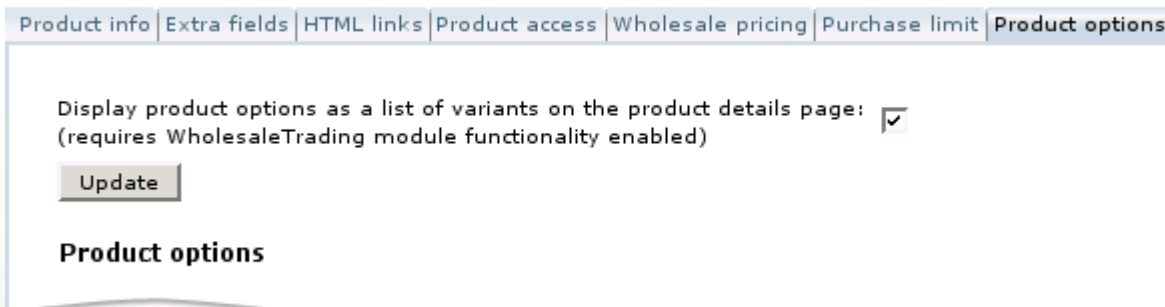
When both the **Product Options** module and the **Wholesale Trading** module are installed and enabled at your online store, minimum and maximum purchase limits set on a product using the **Wholesale Trading** module will apply to the total quantity of all product variants selected by the customer and not to individual product options.

 **Please Note:** Please remember that this is true only for the categories, set up for bulk shopping. When a product is added to cart from a category, which is not set up for bulk shopping, the quantity exceeding the minimum purchase limit should be entered for each product variant. The correct quantity of product variants can be later adjusted in the shopping cart.

Additionally, a possibility to display available product options as a list of variants on the product details page is added. This behaviour can be enabled on a per-product basis by taking the following steps:

1. Find a product and proceed to the 'Product Info' page.
2. Choose the 'Product Options' tab.
3. If a product has any product options defined, the 'Display product options as a list of variants on the product details page' setting will appear (Figure 20 below). Place a checkmark in the field to enable the option.
4. Click on the '**Update**' button to activate the setting.

Admin menu :: Product list :: Edit product "TLC Lion Cub toy"




Product info	Extra fields	HTML links	Product access	Wholesale pricing	Purchase limit	Product options
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Display product options as a list of variants on the product details page:
(requires WholesaleTrading module functionality enabled)

Product options

Figure 20: Enabling variant listing on the product details page

 **Please Note:** In the current module versions wholesale prices cannot be defined individually on separate product options; they can only be set on a product as a whole. If existing product options contain price modifiers, the resulting wholesale price of an option will be calculated as the sum of the wholesale price defined and the price difference between the modified basic price of an option and the basic price of the product.

ProductOptions and WishList Module

When both the **Product Options** module and the **Wish List** module are installed and enabled at your online store, adding products to Wish List becomes slightly different for products which have

product options.

To add a product with product options to Wish List, customers have to click on the 'Add to Wish List' button, after what they are redirected to the product details page. Here they select the specific product and need to click 'Add to Wish List' again.

The products which do not have any product options, are added to Wish List directly.

ProductOptions and ProductAdviser Module

When both the **Product Options** module and the **Product Adviser** module are installed and enabled at your online store, it is important to remember that if a product has product options, it adds an extra step to the process of adding a product to cart or to the Wish List.

If the option '**Enable multiple additions at once**' is activated in the **Product Adviser** configuration, it will work in accordance with the **Product Options** logic.

Example

You have two products: product A has no options and product B has some options. You add product B as a 'Related product' of product A and enable multiple additions at once. In the Customer Zone a "Checkmark to add" option will be displayed for product A, but for product B displaying such an option is not possible because we have to define the product options first. So an 'Add to Cart' button will be displayed for product B. Clicking on it will redirect the customer to the product options page. After selecting the necessary product options the customer will be able to add the product to cart.

Please Note: Inventory Tracking Module is an Optional Add On Available at one time fee of US \$125 only. If ordered after design has been integrated then US \$55.00 one time is also charged for design changes needed as a result of this module being added to store.



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