

## Apache Handlers

Apache handlers control how your site's Apache web server software manages certain file types and file extensions. Apache comes configured to handle CGI scripts and server-parsed files. Their file extensions include: `.cgi`, `.pl`, `.plx`, `.ppl`, `.perl`, and `.shhtml`.

You can configure Apache to handle a new file type with an existing handler by manually adding the handler and extension to cPanel. For example, to have the server treat files with the extension `.example` as CGI files, you would type "cgi-script" under *Handler* and ".example" under *Extension(s)*.

### Add an Apache Handler

To add an Apache handler:

1. Enter the handler name into the *Handler* field. The built-in handlers are as follows:
  - **default-handler:** Sends the file using Apache's default handler for static content.
  - **send-as-is:** Sends the file with HTTP headers as they are.
  - **cgi-script:** Handles the file as a CGI script.
  - **imap-file:** Parses the file as an imagemap rule file; for more information, see Apache's documentation.
  - **server-info:** Retrieves the server's configuration information.
  - **server-parsed:** Parses the file for server-side includes.
  - **server-status:** Retrieves the server's status report.
  - **type-map:** Parses the file as a type map file; for more information, see Apache's documentation.
2. Enter the file extension in the *Extension(s)* field.
  - You may enter more than 1 extension at a time. Simply separate each entry with a space. A file extension is made of the letters after the dot (".") in a file name. For example, `filename.fileextension`.
3. Click *Add*.



**Note:** This interface does not allow you to create custom Apache handlers.

## Remove a Handler

To remove an existing user-defined handler:

1. Click the *X* button under the *Remove* heading next to the appropriate handler in the *User Defined Apache Handlers* table.
2. Click *Yes* to confirm that you wish to remove the handler.

 **Note:** The file extensions automatically handled by Apache, in the *System Apache Handlers* table, cannot be removed.