

Sloppy Words Cleaner Documentation

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Sloppy Words Cleaner 3.5

Filter and normalize customer input on selected Phoenix Cart forms.

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Based on Sloppy Words Cleaner 2.3. Original versions 1.0-1.4 by KJ Miller (top_speed).

Compatibility

Phoenix Cart 1.0.9.7 or later.

Tested with Phoenixcart 1.1.0.8 and PHP 8.5

Changes in 3.5 (19 September 2026)

- Fixed company-name filtering when the Company filter is enabled.
- Conversion pairs now match literal whole words; malformed entries without a colon are ignored.
- Fixed capitalization after configured prefixes such as Mc and Mac.
- Raised the saved list limit from 100 to 255 characters and kept UTF-8 characters intact at the boundary.
- Shortened the shipped All upper case and All upper case Company lists so both fit the 255-character limit.

Earlier changes

- 3.4.5: Added a bootstrap5 template hook.
- 3.4.4: Updated the store configuration module for Phoenix 1.0.9.2+.
- 3.4.3: Updated code to current Phoenix conventions.
- 3.4.2: Moved the hook to template directories and improved the missing-hook check.
- 3.4.1: Fixed a store configuration entry.
- 3.4.0: Converted the store module to an abstract executable module and added a missing-hook warning.

New installation

1. Copy the contents of the package's upload folder into the matching folders in your Phoenix Cart store. Merge folders and retain the relative paths.
2. In Admin > Configuration > My Store > Template Selection, note the active template. The package includes templates/override/includes/hooks/shop/sitewide/swc_hooks.php. If you use another template, copy swc_hooks.php into that template's corresponding includes/hooks/shop/sitewide/ folder.
3. In Admin > Modules > Store, install Sloppy Words Cleaner, enable it, select the pages on which it should run, and save the settings.
4. Submit a test account or address form on an enabled page and verify the saved values. If the module reports a missing hook, check the active template and hook path.

Files in the 3.5 upload folder

admin/includes/modules/cfg_modules/cfgm_store.php and its English, German and Spanish language files; includes/modules/store/st_swcleaner.php and its English, German and Spanish language files; and swc_hooks.php for the override and bootstrap5 templates.

Third-party fields

The hook also handles the supported tax-number fields `nif`, `entry_ein`, `piva` and `cf`, plus PayPal Express name and shipping fields when those values are present. Those integrations apply only where the configured page and form hook run.

For upgrades, use the 3.4.5-to-3.5 topic. Older update topics document historical migration steps and are not the current installation procedure.

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Sloppy Words Cleaner 3.5 - User guide

Open Admin > Modules > Store > Sloppy Words Cleaner to configure the module. The cleaner runs during form verification only on pages selected in Pages.

Settings

Setting	Purpose
Enable Sloppy Words Cleaner	Master switch for the form hook.
Pages	Select the PHP pages where form values are cleaned. If a third-party checkout page is added later, select it here before expecting the cleaner to run.
Convert words	Comma-separated source:replacement pairs, such as Saint:St, Sainte:Ste. Matching is literal and limited to whole words after normal case conversion. An entry without a colon is ignored.
Exception names	Comma-separated names preserved when the complete submitted string already matches an exception exactly, including its case.
Prefixes	Comma-separated prefixes such as Mc, Mac, d'. The letter after a matching prefix is capitalized in names and addresses.
Suffixes	Comma-separated suffixes whose letters are converted to lower case, such as 's.
All lower case Names / All upper case Names	Case rules for surnames and street addresses.
All lower case / All upper case	Case rules for other text fields, including city names. The shipped upper-case list contains abbreviations and Roman numerals.
Enable Company filter	Off by default because company names often use intentional mixed case. Turn on only if you want company names cleaned.
All lower case Company / All upper case Company	Case rules used only when the Company filter is enabled.
Convert specials	Off by default. Converts supported accented Latin characters to ASCII for systems that require it; it changes the original spelling.

List limit: Each editable word-list setting accepts at most 255 characters. Extra characters are truncated when saved. Keep comma-separated entries complete, especially `source:replacement` pairs. The 3.5 defaults fit this limit.

Examples

- Surname `macdonald` can become `MacDonald` when the `Mac` prefix applies. An exact exception such as `Macdonald` can preserve the intended spelling.
- Address `SAINTE-MARIE-SUR-MER` can use the configured `Sainte:Ste` conversion.
- Postcodes and supported tax-number fields are converted to upper case; email addresses are converted to lower case.

Results depend on the active lists, selected pages, template hook, character set and the submitted text. Test important personal or place names in your shop before enabling broad rules.

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Update 3.4.5 to 3.5

Update Sloppy Words Cleaner 3.4.5 to 3.5

Changes

- Company filter calls the cleaner correctly.
- Literal whole-word conversion pairs are safer and ignore malformed entries.
- Configured prefixes capitalize the following letter correctly.
- Editable word lists are limited to 255 UTF-8 characters, and the shipped long defaults were shortened.

Steps

1. Record any custom Sloppy Words Cleaner settings, especially Pages and word lists. Back up the store files and database in the usual way.
2. Copy the contents of the 3.5 package's `upload` folder into the matching store folders, replacing the older addon files.
3. Verify that `swc_hooks.php` is present in the active template. The package includes `override` hook. For another template, copy the hook into that template's `includes/hooks/shop/sitewide/` directory.
4. Review the settings in Admin > Modules > Store > Sloppy Words Cleaner. Existing database settings remain in place when files are replaced. To load the shorter 3.5 default lists, reinstall the module after recording custom values, then restore the values you need.
5. Test an enabled account or address form, a configured conversion pair, and company filtering if enabled.

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Historical update: 3.4.4 to 3.4.5

Version 3.4.5 added the `bootstrap5` template hook for Phoenix Cart 1.0.9.2+ and was checked with Phoenix 1.0.9.9 and PHP 8.3.

1. From the 3.4.5 package, copy `templates/bootstrap5/includes/hooks/shop/sitewide/swc_hooks.php` if the store uses the `bootstrap5` template.

2. For a custom active template, place `swc_hooks.php` in its corresponding siteWide hook folder.
3. Check the active template selection and test an enabled form.

For the current 3.5 release, follow the 3.4.5-to-3.5 topic instead.

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Historical update: 3.4.3 to 3.4.4

Version 3.4.4 updated the store configuration module for Phoenix Cart 1.0.9.2+ and was checked with Phoenix 1.0.9.3 and PHP 8.3.

1. Copy `admin/includes/modules/cfg_modules/cfgm_store.php` from the 3.4.4 upload folder to the matching store path, replacing the older file.
2. Open Admin > Modules > Store and check that the configuration page loads.

This is a historical step. For a current installation, use the 3.5 installation topic.

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Historical update: 3.4.2 to 3.4.3

Version 3.4.3 updated addon code to then-current Phoenix conventions.

1. Record customized Sloppy Words Cleaner settings.
2. Uninstall the older module from Admin > Modules > Store.
3. Copy the 3.4.3 upload files to the matching store paths, replacing the older addon files.
4. Install Sloppy Words Cleaner again and restore the settings you recorded.
5. Test an enabled form.

This is a historical migration. For a current installation, use the 3.5 installation topic.

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Historical update: 3.4.1 to 3.4.2

Version 3.4.2 moved the siteWide cleaner hook into a template directory, improved the hook check and updated project links.

1. Record customized settings and copy the 3.4.2 upload files to the matching store paths.
2. Check the active template in Admin > Configuration > My Store > Template Selection.
3. Ensure the active template contains `includes/hooks/shop/siteWide/swc_hooks.php`. For a custom template, copy `swc_hooks.php` from the package template folder to that location.
4. Test an enabled form. Remove an obsolete hook only after confirming the new path works.

The old instructions named `discountCode.php` here by mistake; the required file is `swc_hooks.php`.

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Historical update: 3.4.0 to 3.4.1

Version 3.4.1 fixed a store module configuration entry.

1. Record customized Sloppy Words Cleaner settings.
2. Uninstall the module in Admin > Modules > Store.
3. Replace `includes/modules/store/st_swc_cleaner.php` with the 3.4.1 upload file.
4. Install the module again, restore settings, and test the configuration page.

This is a historical migration. For a current installation, use the 3.5 installation topic.

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Historical update: 3.3.2 to 3.4.0

Version 3.4.0 changed the store module to an abstract executable module, added a missing-hook warning, and updated coding for the contemporary Phoenix core.

1. Record customized settings and uninstall the older module.
2. Copy the 3.4.0 upload files to the matching store paths, including language files, the store module and the template hook.
3. Check the active template hook path, install the module again, restore settings and test an enabled form.

This is a historical migration. For a current installation, use the 3.5 installation topic.

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Historical update: 3.3.1 to 3.3.2

Version 3.3.2 updated the configuration module for Phoenix Cart 1.0.7.7+.

1. Replace `admin/includes/modules/cfg_modules/cfgm_store.php` with the file from the 3.3.2 upload folder.
2. Open Admin > Modules > Store and verify that it loads.

This is a historical migration. For a current installation, use the 3.5 installation topic.

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Historical update: 3.2.x to 3.3.1

The 3.3 generation moved the cleaner to a siteWide form verification hook and adapted to Phoenix Cart customer data handling.

1. Record customized settings, uninstall the older module and remove the obsolete `includes/hooks/shop/swc/swc_hooks.php` file if present.
2. Copy the 3.3.1 upload files into the matching store paths, including the store module and template hook.
3. Install the module again, restore settings and test an enabled form.

This is a historical migration. For a current installation, use the 3.5 installation topic.

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