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1- Description



When the time came and we had to move to the new Joomla 3.0 version, we at IceTheme wanted to give you again one of your most loved extensions: the new menu module. But the powerful IceMegaMenu is not the next simple menu module that you might find anywhere. No I'm sorry you will not...

What makes the IceMegaMenu extension so exceptional?

First of all, it is fully resizable thanks to the Bootstrap framework for Joomla 3. It adapts to the different screens, wide or narrow perfectly.

Secondly, it is made of 2 parts: the module and the plugin. The module has all the necessary features ready at your fingertips to run the menu exactly the way you need to. You find features like the ability to load different themes (you may have a dark website), dropdown effect like slide, fade or both, ability to load images inside the menu items, dropdown opacity, and much more.

At the plugin part came the interesting part. After lots of request from our valuable members, now you are able to split the dropdown into as many columns as you wish and exactly the way you need to.

And the last, you may load any Joomla modules inside the dropdown directly by selecting the module name or the module position. Another interesting feature that may be very handy to you is the ability to put for each menu item the width for the dropdown and the width for each column of the dropdown, so that you have total control over the way the module operates.

Unique Features

- resizable menu with Bootstrap features.
- pre-built module themes from which you can choose your desired style.
- option to choose the dropdown running effect from slide, fade or both .
- ability to load menu images into each menu item .
- split exactly the way you require the dropdown by having total control of the full dropdown width, to each column width and the number of menu items to display to each column.
- ability to load any Joomla Module to the dropdown by selecting either from the Module Name of from the Module Position.

The IceMegaMenu extension is built in by two parts, the module and the plug-in.

In the module part you will find all the parameters that are needed to run and to adjust the menu like the options for selecting the Menu that you wish to attach to it, the effects and some other various parameters. In the plug-in part comes the power of the IceMegaMenu extension.

In fact if you open the plug-in from the Plug-in Manager page you will notice that there are no parameters in it. This is because the parameters of the Plug-in are set for each Menu Item through the Menu Manager. In this way you have total control over the menu items.

So when you open each Menu Item through the Menu Manager page you will find a new parameters group available there called "IceMegaMenu Parameters". Through this parameters you will be able customize the dropdown with columns, load modules or add a subtitle to each of your Menu Items.

System Requirements

- The IceMegaMenu requires only that you have already installed **Joomla 3.0** version and have administrator access to it.
- We assume that you have met the all other requirements like the PHP version or the Database version for Joomla 3.

Installation

- Login to your Joomla Administrator (<http://www.your-site-name.com/administrator>)



Install Files

- Go to the "Extension Manager" page and under the "Upload Package File" form select the 2 files (mod_icemegamenu_v and plg_icemegamenu_v) and install them one by one.

The image shows two overlapping screenshots from the Joomla! administrator interface. The top screenshot displays the 'Control Panel' with the 'Extensions' menu open, highlighting the 'Extension Manager' option. A blue callout bubble points to this option with the text: "Click here to install the extensions." The bottom screenshot shows the 'Extension Manager: Install' page with the 'Upload Package File' tab selected. A blue callout bubble points to the 'Choose File' button with the text: "Click Here to browse to your computer to select the files you wish to install." Below this, a Windows file explorer window is open, showing a folder named 'Ice Future' containing several files. A blue callout bubble points to the files 'mod_ice_carousel_v.3.0.0' and 'plg_ice_megamenu' with the text: "After that select the files one by one that you wish to install".

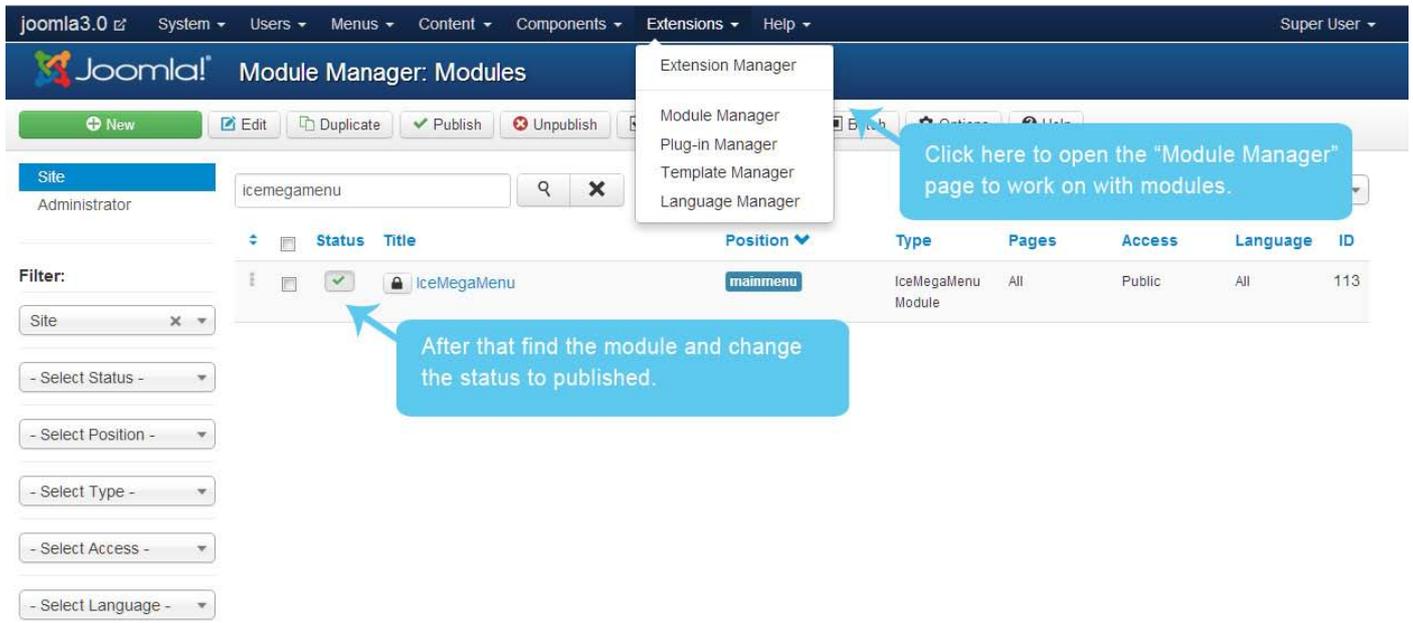
* If you receive an error in a red box saying "Warning: Failed to move file!" probably you have not enabled the "FTP Settings" which is on the following:

Joomla Administrator -> Site (main menu) -> Global Configuration -> Server (3rd tab)

* If case you still cannot install the items please [Ask for Help](#).

Enable the Module

Go to The "Module Manager" page and to quickly show the module, filter it through the "Filter" form by typing "icemegamenu". Then you should enable the IceMegaMenu module by clicking on the red cross sign as you can see from the screenshot below.

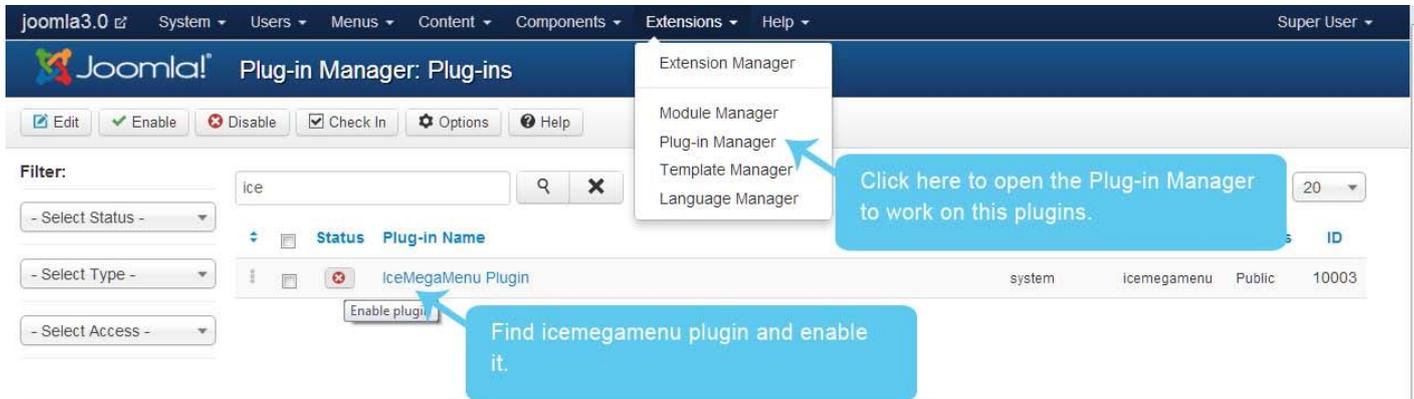


The screenshot shows the Joomla! 3.0 administration interface. The top navigation bar includes 'joomla3.0', 'System', 'Users', 'Menus', 'Content', 'Components', 'Extensions', and 'Help'. The user is logged in as 'Super User'. The main heading is 'Module Manager: Modules'. A search bar contains 'icemegamenu'. A dropdown menu is open under 'Extensions', showing options: 'Extension Manager', 'Module Manager', 'Plug-In Manager', 'Template Manager', and 'Language Manager'. A blue callout box points to the 'Module Manager' option with the text: 'Click here to open the "Module Manager" page to work on with modules.' Below the search bar, a table lists modules. The 'IceMegaMenu' module is highlighted, and its status is shown as 'Published' (indicated by a green checkmark). A blue callout box points to this checkmark with the text: 'After that find the module and change the status to published.' The table columns are: Status, Title, Position, Type, Pages, Access, Language, and ID. The 'IceMegaMenu' module is assigned to the 'mainmenu' position, is of type 'IceMegaMenu Module', has 'All' pages, 'Public' access, 'All' language, and ID '113'. On the left, there is a 'Filter:' section with dropdown menus for Site, Status, Position, Type, Access, and Language.

Status	Title	Position	Type	Pages	Access	Language	ID
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IceMegaMenu	mainmenu	IceMegaMenu Module	All	Public	All	113

Enable the Plug-in-in

Go to The "Plug-in Manager" page and to quickly show the plug-in, filter it through the "Filter" form by typing "icemegamenu". Then you should enable the IceMegaMenu plug-in by clicking on the red cross sign as you can see from the screenshot below.



The screenshot shows the Joomla! administration interface. At the top, the navigation menu includes 'System', 'Users', 'Menus', 'Content', 'Components', 'Extensions', and 'Help'. The 'Extensions' menu is open, showing options for 'Extension Manager', 'Module Manager', 'Plug-in Manager', 'Template Manager', and 'Language Manager'. The 'Plug-in Manager' option is selected. Below the navigation, there are buttons for 'Edit', 'Enable', 'Disable', 'Check In', 'Options', and 'Help'. A search filter is present with the text 'ice' entered. On the left, there are dropdown menus for 'Select Status', 'Select Type', and 'Select Access'. The main content area displays a table of plugins. The 'IceMegaMenu Plugin' is highlighted, and a red cross icon is visible next to its name. A blue callout box points to this icon with the text 'Find icemegamenu plugin and enable it.' Another blue callout box points to the 'Plug-in Manager' option in the 'Extensions' menu with the text 'Click here to open the Plug-in Manager to work on this plugins.' The table below shows the following data:

Status	Plug-in Name	System	Access	ID	
✖	IceMegaMenu Plugin	system	icemegamenu	Public	10003

Configuration

Please follow the steps to configure the module and the plugin.

Configure the Module

Go to "Module Manager" page and quickly show the module filter it through the "Filter" form by typing "icemegamenu". Then open it to edit its available parameters.

- Basically each parameter is explained on the module page. If you put the mouse over the parameter title you should see a small yellow pop up box to appear. So, there is no need to explain each of this parameters here on this guide.

- However you should keep in mind some things. The first one to do on the module parameters page is to select your menu from the list of menus in the "Select Menu" parameter that you wish to attach to the IceMegaMenu.

Also you may select your preferred theme based on your preferences or if your website scheme is dark or white from the "Select Theme" parameter.

Feel free to edit the parameters under the "Effect Settings" group to match to your website project taste. There should be no issue with them but remember don't get to fancy with them.

The screenshot shows the Joomla! 3.0 interface. The top navigation bar includes 'System', 'Users', 'Menus', 'Content', 'Components', 'Extensions', and 'Help'. The main header is 'Module Manager: Modules'. Below the header, there are buttons for 'New', 'Edit', 'Duplicate', 'Publish', and 'Unpublish'. A search filter is set to 'icemegamenu'. A table lists the modules with columns for 'Status', 'Title', 'Position', 'Type', 'Pages', 'Access', 'Language', and 'ID'. The 'IceMegaMenu' module is highlighted. A dropdown menu is open over the 'Extensions' menu item, showing options like 'Module Manager', 'Plug-in Manager', 'Template Manager', and 'Language Manager'. Two blue callout boxes provide instructions: one pointing to the 'Module Manager' option and another pointing to the 'IceMegaMenu' module name.

Status	Title	Position	Type	Pages	Access	Language	ID
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IceMegaMenu	mainmenu	IceMegaMenu Module	All	Public	All	113

joomla3.0 System Users Menus Content Components Extensions Help Super User

Joomla! Module Manager: Module mod_icemegamenu

Save Save & Close Save & New Save as Copy Close Help

Details IceMegaMenu Parameters **Advanced Options** Other Parameters Menu Assignment

Status **Published** Unpublished Trashed

Title * IceMegaMenu

Show Title **Show** Hide

Position Mainmenu [mainmenu] x

Access Public

Ordering 1. IceMegaMenu

Start Publishing 0000-00-00 00:00:00

Finish Publishing 0000-00-00 00:00:00

Language All

Note

Module Description ID: 113

IceMegaMenu extension is a powerful Joomla (module + plugin) to help you take the most from the navigation system. Top features includes ability to split dropdown columns, option not and much more.

After you open the module you should edit the parameters to suite to your projects needs

Work with the Plug-in Parameters under the Menu Items.

To work with plug-in parameters you should open each Menu Item from the Menu that you have attached to the IceMegaMenu module, as we have told to the above steps. So, if you make any change only to a menu item, only this Menu Item and its Child Items will be affected.

joomla3.0 System Users **Menus** Content Components Extensions Help Super User

Menu Manager

New Edit Add New Menu Item Home Rebuild Batch Help

Search title: [] Ascending 20

Filter:

Main Menu [x] - Select Max Levels - Select Status - Select Access - Select Language -

Status	Title	Home	Access	Language	ID
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Home (Alias: homepage) Articles » Featured Articles		Public	All	435
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Template (Alias: template) Articles » Category List		Public	All	469
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Module Variations Articles » Single Article		Public	All	466
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Typography (Alias: typography) Articles » Single Article		Public	All	470
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sample Menu Item External URL		Public	All	486
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sample Menu Item (3) External URL		Public	All	489
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sample Menu Item (4) External URL		Public	All	491
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sample Menu Item (4) External URL		Public	All	490
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sample Menu Item (2) External URL		Public	All	487
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sample Menu Item (3) External URL		Public	All	488
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Test Menu Item External URL		Public	All	485
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joomla (Alias: joomla) Text Separator		Public	All	475

Click here to open the Menu that you have attached to the IceMegaMenu Module.

You should open each menu item that you wish to change to work with the plugin parameters.

joomla3.0 System Users **Menu Manager: Edit Menu Item** Content Components Extensions Help Super User

Save Save & Close Save & New Save as Copy Close Help

Details **Advanced Options** Module Assignment for this Menu Item

Category Options

List Layouts

Article Options

Integration Options

Link Type Options

Page Display Options

Metadata Options

IceMegaMenu Parameters

SubTitle []

MegaMenu Settings

Nr of Columns: 1 Column

Dropdown Width (px) []

Column Width (px) []

Nr of Items in Columns []

You should work with the "IceMegaMenu parameters" to make changes to the Menu Items

- Basically each parameter is explained on the Menu Item page. If you put the mouse over the parameter title you should see a small yellow pop up box to appear. So, there is no need to explain each of these parameters here on this guide.

- But we should explain a couple of things here so that you might be prepared...

The best part of the whole IceMegaMenu extension is its ability to split the dropdown into columns (that's why is called mega). Note that you need to work with the parameters of the **Parent Menu Item** to affect the dropdown and its Child Items that are in this dropdown.

Let's assume that you wish to split the dropdown into 3 columns. First you should select from the "Nr of Columns" parameter the "3 columns" option.

Then on the parameter below you should enter the dropdown width in pixels, sth like "660", so it can fit without problems the 3 columns.

On the "Column Width (px)" parameter you should input the width in pixels for each of the 3 columns in a way that if you sum all of them it will not exceed 660px (the dropdown width set above). So, you may enter here "300,180,180" which mean that the width for the 1st column in the dropdown is 300px, for the 2nd is 180px and for the 3rd is 180px.

The interesting part is the next parameter "Nr of Items in Columns" which as the name suggests is the ability to split the Menu Items exactly in the way you like to. This is very helpful, especially when you wish to load modules into the dropdown, as normally the loaded module will need the whole space on the column.

So, we may type in this parameter "4,1,1" which mean that as we have a total of 6 Child Menu Items under our Menu Item that are currently working on, we are putting 4 menu items on the 1st column, 1 menu item on the 2nd column and 1 menu item on the 3rd column.

* In case you leave this parameter empty the system will automatically split in equal parts the menu items (2,2,2).

To load any Joomla! Module into the dropdown you have 2 choices.

You may either choose directly from the Module Name or you may choose from the Module Position.

* Note that when you choose to load a module, the other parameters like the menu item type will be disabled as you cannot have both a module and a menu item with link to appear.

Also, please note that the system will use the Module Title from the Module Manager and not the Menu Item Title as you may expect. If you don't want to show the title of the module simply disable it through the Module Parameters in the Module Manager page.

Note:

After installing and configuring IceMegaMenu this error might appear "**XML Parsing Error... Error 76: Mismatched tag**". The reason for this error the incorrect parameters e.g. you divide the IceMegaMenu is 2 columns and then set 3 values for the total width. Check these parameters and if you still have problems, [contact us](#).

For further information please visit the [IceMegaMenu](#) demo.

If these instructions are not enough to install the extension, do not worry. We can help you in [our helpdesk](#). Open a new ticket or post to the forum and our support team will assist you quickly.

For any other questions email us at support@icetheme.com.

Thank You For Using Our Extension!
We believe we have helped allot with this documentation.
Your IceTheme Team

