Joomla 2.5 Support and Updates

As many of you know support for Joomla 2.5 was discontinued at the end of 2014 by the Joomla organization, and all focuses are now on Joomla 3 and beyond. It is time for us Shape5 to say goodbye to Joomla 2.5 as well. Both our January 2015 and February 2015 template releases will still have 2.5 compatible versions, but beginning in March 2015 we will be releasing Joomla 3 products only.

All of our templates built on the Vertex Framework are, and have been for quite some time, compatible with Joomla 3, along with many of our pre-Vertex products. You can review a list of all our products and their compatibility at the following url: Joomla Compatibility Page. Many of the earlier templates that were not built on the Vertex Framework have already been converted to work with Joomla 3, but the remaining ones will not be converted to Joomla 3 due to their age and outdated standards. Our current focus is on Vertex powered templates for easier updates, and maintaining web standards.

Any 2.5 products that we currently have on our site will remain available, and still be supported throughout all of 2015. We do highly encourage anyone setting up a new installation to use Joomla 3 and not Joomla 2.5 though. If you need assistance in upgrading your current Joomla 2.5 installation to Joomla 3, we recommend the tutorial found here. Keep in mind that in most cases the template and any non-default extensions will need to be updated to Joomla 3 compatible versions, due to the introduction of Bootstrap and Jquery in Joomla 3.