

QGIS Plugin Site - Bug report #9935

uploading new plugin version ignores approved and experimental checkbox

2014-03-28 09:18 AM - Etienne Tourigny

Status: Closed	
Priority: Normal	
Assignee: Alessandro Pasotti	
Category:	
Pull Request or Patch supplied:	
Description	
When I upload a new version and clicked approved, I get the following error, even though I can approve it later - this is a little annoying.	
"You do not have approval permissions, plugin version has been set unapproved"	
Worse is that the experimental checkbox is not respected - if I check it before upload the new version is not marked as experimental. Not sure if this happened before the new site was installed.	

History

#1 - 2014-03-30 12:16 AM - Alessandro Pasotti

- Assignee set to Alessandro Pasotti

In the future, can you please file separate tickets for different problems?

Can you attach the plugin that gives you the problem?

Is the Experimental flag also set in the metadata.txt?

If yes: is it True or False?

There are at least two different ways to upload plugins in the site, can you please describe in details all the steps you are doing?

#2 - 2014-03-30 03:03 PM - Etienne Tourigny

- File *valuetool-0.8.4.zip* added

Alessandro Pasotti wrote:

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sure - but this seems as 2 aspects of a same problem.

| *Can you attach the plugin that gives you the problem?*

any plugin does this - I recently added a version for value tool plugin, here it goes for completion.

| *Is the Experimental flag also set in the metadata.txt?*

yes, it is set to False, but I did check the Experimental checkbox before uploading.

In reality - sometimes I set a plugin as experimental if it may break something, and after a while I set that version as non-experimental. This is much easier

than to package a new, non-experimental version with same code.

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Manage - Add version - browse zip file - click experimental and approved check boxes - save

#3 - 2014-03-30 11:43 PM - Alessandro Pasotti

- Status changed from Open to Feedback

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I'm not sure the latter is bug though: experimental metadata attribute is not mandatory, this is why the checkbox exists: to allow user to set that flag even when not present in metadata.txt.

Metadata readen from metadata.txt always have priority. Maybe a better idea would be to completely drop the possibility to set the flag while uploading, and leave the possibility to change that value after the upload from "Manage" -> "Edit" in the version window.

#4 - 2014-03-31 08:04 AM - Etienne Tourigny

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I can approve the same version afterwards, so it is not a permission problem.

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It is confusing, and a bug, if a checkbox exists but does not have an effect (if the setting is defined in the metadata.txt). So I propose that the checkbox be dropped or a warning given if it conflicts with metadata.txt.

#5 - 2014-03-31 08:24 AM - Alessandro Pasotti

- Status changed from Feedback to In Progress

As I said: the purpose of the checkbox was to allow users to set the flag even when it was not in metadadata (since it's optional).

IMHO what is pure nonsense is to set something in the metadata and then the exact contrary in the form, I will try to catch this error too.

The "permission" warning comes from another strange fact: you are not the maintainer nor the owner of that plugin hence you shouldn't be eligible for automatic approval of the plugin, but you have "staff" privileges.

This means that you can approve ALL plugins (because you are a staff user).

#6 - 2014-03-31 09:08 AM - Etienne Tourigny

ok thanks

#7 - 2014-04-03 08:46 AM - Alessandro Pasotti

- Status changed from *In Progress* to *Closed*

Just noticed that the behaviour was correctly advertised:

Please check this box if the plugin is experimental. Please note that this field might be overridden by metadata (if present).

BTW added a check for this wierd condition.

#8 - 2014-04-03 09:15 AM - Etienne Tourigny

ok - sorry for the trouble. I'll remove the Experimental flag from my plugins next time.

Actually, I see the following text when I click on the "Add version" link or edit an existing version: "Check this box if this version is experimental, leave unchecked if it's stable." Perhaps this has changed?

#9 - 2014-04-03 09:21 AM - Alessandro Pasotti

See here:

<http://plugins.qgis.org/plugins/add/>

I will eventually delete the "version add" form since it's a pain to maintain two forms that iternally do exactly the same.

In fact you can safely upload a version from the big blue button "Share a plugin"

I will add the message "Please check this box if the plugin is experimental. Please note that this field might be overridden by metadata (if present)." even in the version add form.

#10 - 2014-04-03 10:15 AM - Etienne Tourigny

I never used that, except when creating a new plugin. Thanks for the info.

Files

valuetool-0.8.4.zip	30 KB	2014-03-30	Etienne Tourigny
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