

Order Delivery Date Plugin for Hikashop by Brainforge

1 Examples

1.1 Example using Different Delivery Methods

This is a simple example illustrating how this plugin can be used.

Courier Delivery (date / timeslot not selectable)	Collection (date selectable)
<p>You are here: Home / Hikashop Checkout</p> <p>1 Shipping 2 Login 3 End</p> <p>Shipping method</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Click and Collect Free shipping</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Courier Free shipping</p> <p>Additional information</p> <p>Collection Date* <input type="text" value="n/a"/></p>	<p>You are here: Home / Hikashop Checkout</p> <p>1 Shipping 2 Login 3 End</p> <p>Shipping method</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Click and Collect Free shipping</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Courier Free shipping</p> <p>Additional information</p> <p>Collection Date* <input type="text" value="Tomorrow"/></p>

In this example the *Collection Date* will default to *Anyday* as delivery dates cannot be selected for this shipping method. A Joomla language override has been used to display *n/a* instead (i.e. not applicable).

You can hide the delivery date field when it shows *Anyday* – this may reduce the risk of confusing customers (e.g. *Collection Date* would not be shown when using courier shipping).

1.1.1 Configuration (Plugin Tab)

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Handles customer order delivery date selection.

Today date display

Tomorrow date display

Other date display

Group weeks by

In delivery date select list display group dates together by week, using specified first day of week.

Please select prompt

When hidden the customer will be shown the first available delivery date instead of being prompted to select a delivery date.

Unavailable dates

Sometimes hiding unavailable dates can be less confusing for the customer.

Max days in advance

Enter the number of days in advance that delivery can be booked.

Set to 0 (zero) for today only, 1 (one) for today and tomorrow.

Status

Access

Ordering

Plugin Type

Plugin File

Note

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1.1.2 Configuration (Date Configuration Tab)

In this simple example we only require one date configuration, but you can add as many as your require to cater for different weekdays, different shipping methods etc..

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Date Configuration

Configure dates for different weekdays.

Date Configuration

Configuration Name *

Collection Date

Weekdays *

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Type or select some options

Min days before delivery

Today

Enter the number of days before delivery can be made.

Set to 0 (zero) for same day and any day following deliveries, 1 (one) for tomorrow and any day following deliveries.

Earliest order time (sameday delivery) *

00:00

Select earliest order time for sameday delivery.

Latest order time (sameday delivery) *

13:00

Select latest order time for sameday delivery.

Max. daily deliveries

Unlimited

Maximum number of deliveries which can be made during day.

Select 0 (zero) for unlimited.

Product category mode

Block selected Allow all Allow selected

This controls date configuration availability according to order product categories.

- Block selected - Date configuration never available if order contains a product from one of these categories.
- Allow all - Date configuration available regardless of order product categories.
- Allow selected - Date configuration only available if order contains a product from one of these categories.

Shipping method mode

Block selected Allow all Allow selected

This controls date configuration availability according to selected shipping method.

- Block selected - Date configuration never available when one of these shipping methods selected.
- Allow all - Date configuration available regardless of shipping method selection.
- Allow selected - Date configuration only available if one of these shipping methods selected.

Shipping methods

Click and Collect Type or select some options

Select the relevant shipping methods.

No shipping address

Allow all Check shipping method

You can select behaviour when shipping address not available.

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1.1.3 Configuration (Blocked Delivery Days)

Blocked Delivery Days

No deliveries on

2021-10-11 2021-10-12 2021-10-13 2021-10-14 2021-10-15 2021-12-22 2021-12-23 2021-12-24 2021-12-25 2021-12-26 2021-12-27 2021-12-28 2021-12-29 2021-12-30 2021-12-31 2022-01-01 2022-01-02 2022-01-03 2022-01-04 2022-02-18 2022-12-25 2023-01-01 2023-12-25 2024-01-01 2024-12-25

Enter dates on separate lines when deliveries are NOT available.
Use date format Y-M-d and separate dates by newline, space or comma.
You can override blocked dates using the slot 'Additional delivery dates' feature.

1.1.4 Configuration (Additional Features)

Additional Features

Any date feature

Disabled Enabled

If enabled and any available delivery anydate are blocked by shipping method restriction then an 'any date' delivery slot option will be presented to the customer.

Hide any date selector

No Yes

Hides the date selector when it defaults to 'anydate'.

Following order creation the delivery date will show as *Anyday* in emails and on order administration pages regardless of the *Hide any date* setting.

Order

E-mail Invoice Shipping invoice Back Help

System Products Customers Orders Affiliates Display Documentation

Main information

Order number M11

Invoice Number M11

Order status confirmed

Date 2022-06-08 12:49

ID 11

IP fe80:18ecab6f6b8e6d967

Additional information

Subtotal £ 0.00

Coupon £ 0.00

Shipping £ 0.00

Payment fee £ 0.00 - NONE

Total £ 0.00

Collection Date n/a

Collection Slot n/a

1.1.5 Joomla Language Override

Languages: Overrides

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English (United Kingdom) - Site anydate Constant ascending 20

Constant	Text	Language Tag	Location
PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_ANYDATE	n/a	en-GB	Site

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2 Hikashop Custom Field

The plugin uses a Hikashop Custom Field type of *Brainforge – Delivery Date* which must be added to the *Order* table. The recommended column name is *order_delivery_date*, although you can use any name convenient. The field type is included with the *delivery date* plugin.

Custom fields											
<div><div>New</div><div>Edit</div><div>Delete</div><div>Help</div><div>Dashboard</div></div>											
<div>SystemProductsCustomersOrdersAffiliatesDisplayDocumentation</div>											
Order											
#	<input type="checkbox"/>	Table	Column name	Label	Field type	Required	Order	Front-end	Back-end Form	Back-end Listing	Published
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	order	order_delivery_date	Order Delivery Date	Brainforge - Order Delivery Date	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Field : order_delivery_date

Save

Save & Close

Cancel

Help

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MAIN INFORMATION

Label

Table

Column name

Field type

Published ☒ Yes ☐ No

RESTRICTIONS

Categories

Including sub categories ☒ Yes ☐ No

Products

Display limited to

Access level

MAIN ATTRIBUTES

Required ☒ Yes ☐ No

Custom Error Message

Default value

VALUES

Value	Title	Disabled
	PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDE	

DISPLAY

Front-end ☒ Yes ☐ No

Back-end Form ☒ Yes ☐ No

Back-end Listing ☒ Yes ☐ No

Front-end order details pa... ☐ Yes ☒ No

Invoice ☐ Yes ☒ No

Shipping Invoice ☐ Yes ☒ No

Order additional informati... ☐ Yes ☒ No

DISPLAY : MAIL

Order notification ☐ Yes ☒ No

Order status notification ☐ Yes ☒ No

Order creation notification ☐ Yes ☒ No

Order administrator notific... ☐ Yes ☒ No

Payment notification ☐ Yes ☒ No

The *Please Select* title can be changed (normally using Joomla language overrides), but no other values can be entered as these are automatically generated.

2.1 Preview Panel – Post Text

Optionally below the delivery date selector you can display additional delivery information to the customer. The value (by default blank) of the Joomla language constant *PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDEORDERDELIVERYDATE_POSTTEXT* is shown here. Use the Joomla language override feature to change this to display any text / html you require.

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PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDEORDERDELIVERYDATE_POSTTEXT *

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2.2 Hikashop Orders

#	<input type="checkbox"/>	Order number Invoice Number	Customer	Payment method	Date	Last Modified	Order status	Total	Order Delivery Date	Partner	ID
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	C4A6 P13	demo demo test@brainforge.co.uk >	Freepay	2020-05-11 17:48	2020-05-11 17:48	Confirmed	£ 1.20	Wed, 13 May 2020		46

The delivery date information can also be shown in customer emails, invoices and via the user control panel. See the *field display* options to control the handling of this.

In the order administrator order additional information editor you can edit the delivery date text. The delivery date text is free format, there is no validation.

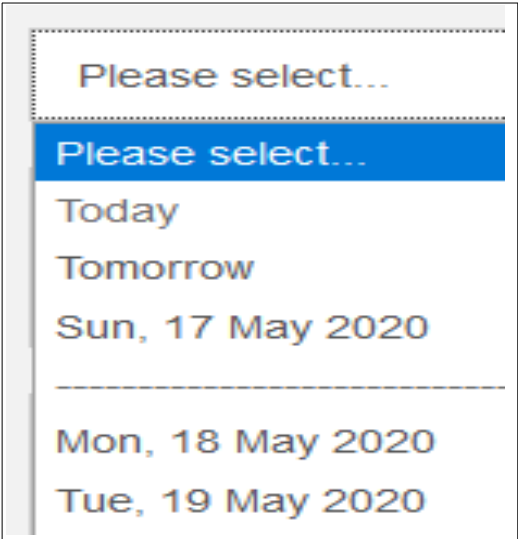
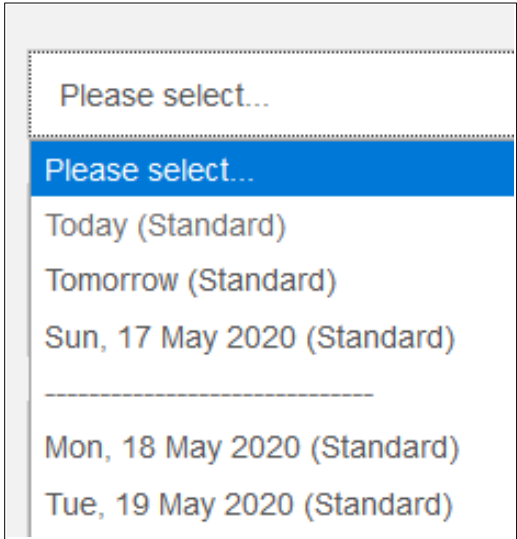
3 Joomla Language Constants

If required customise these using Joomla language overrides in the usual manner.

PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_TODAY	Today
PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_TOMORROW	Tomorrow
PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_DATEFORMAT	D, j F Y
PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_ANYDATE	Anyday
PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_OPTION_TEXT	%1\$s
PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_POSTTEXT	

3.1 Language Constant *PLG_HIKASHOP_BFORDERDELIVERYDATE_OPTION_TEXT*

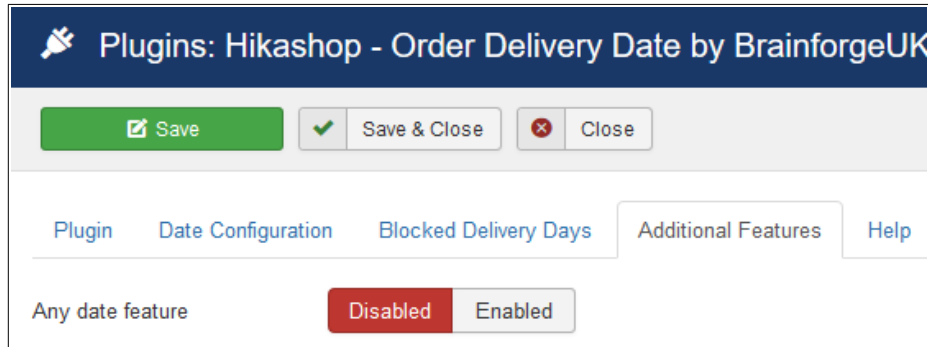
You can include the *configuration name* in the delivery date select list presented to the user, as illustrated in these examples.

%1\$s	%1\$s (%2\$s)
	

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4 Additional Features

4.1 Any Date Handling



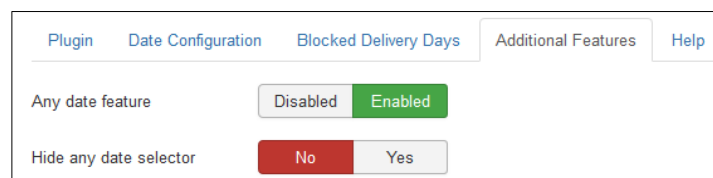
The screenshot shows the 'Additional Features' tab of the 'Hikashop - Order Delivery Date by BrainforgeUK' plugin configuration. At the top, there are three buttons: 'Save' (green), 'Save & Close' (green with a checkmark), and 'Close' (red with an 'X'). Below these are four tabs: 'Plugin', 'Date Configuration', 'Blocked Delivery Days', 'Additional Features' (which is active), and 'Help'. Under the 'Additional Features' tab, there is a section for 'Any date feature' with two buttons: 'Disabled' (red) and 'Enabled' (grey).

When using the *shipping method mode* configuration feature there can be circumstances where no delivery date is available for the selected shipping method, for instance, where the shipping method does not permit delivery date selection.

Order Delivery or Collection Date*
Order Delivery Date configuration error: 005
Please contact system administrator.

In this situation, by default, the user will see the illustrated error message. This error message can be avoided by using the Any date feature.

4.2 Any Date Feature



This screenshot shows the 'Additional Features' tab with the 'Any date feature' set to 'Enabled' (green button) and 'Hide any date selector' set to 'No' (red button). The 'Date Configuration' tab is also visible in the background.

When enabled you can select whether or not the *Any Day* selector is shown to the user.




The screenshot shows a dropdown menu for 'Order Delivery or Collection Date*'. The selected option is 'Anyday', and a small downward arrow is visible on the right side of the dropdown.

Regardless of the *Hide any date* setting following order creation the delivery date will show as *Anyday* in emails and on order administration pages.

Additional information	
Subtotal	£ 1.20
Coupon	£ 0.00
Shipping	£ 0.00 • Collection
Payment fee	£ 0.00 - SagePay
VAT (GB)	£ 0.20
Total	£ 1.20
Order Delivery or Collection Date	Anyday

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5 Help

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Save

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Close

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Debug ModeOff

NotesSome useful information about this configuration.

Instructions

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Debug Mode

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Notes

Use this space to record any information about this configuration which you might find useful in the future (i.e. why you made a change etc.)

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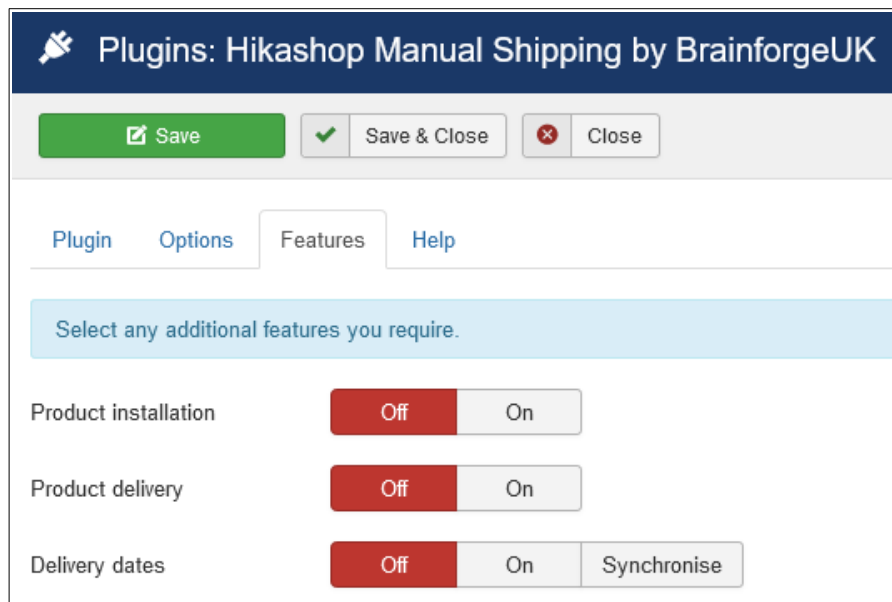
6 Additional Information

Requires [Hikashop Business](#) version 4.2.3 or greater.

6.1 Shipping Plugin

Can be used with conjunction with the [Brainforge.UK Manual Shipping plugin](#).

By default you can use the manual shipping plugin in the normal way without enabling its *Delivery dates* feature on the *Features* tab of the plugin options.



The screenshot shows the 'Plugins: Hikashop Manual Shipping by BrainforgeUK' settings page. At the top, there are three buttons: 'Save' (green), 'Save & Close' (green with a checkmark), and 'Close' (red with an 'X'). Below these are four tabs: 'Plugin', 'Options', 'Features' (selected), and 'Help'. A light blue box contains the text 'Select any additional features you require.' Below this, there are three rows of toggle switches: 'Product installation' with 'Off' (red) and 'On' (grey) buttons; 'Product delivery' with 'Off' (red) and 'On' (grey) buttons; and 'Delivery dates' with 'Off' (red), 'On' (grey), and 'Synchronise' (grey) buttons.

Turning this feature on allows you to restrict a delivery method to certain dates and / or days of week.

The *Synchronise* feature extends this so that the customer is only offered shipping methods which are available on their selected delivery day. Changing the delivery day may change the shipping methods available.

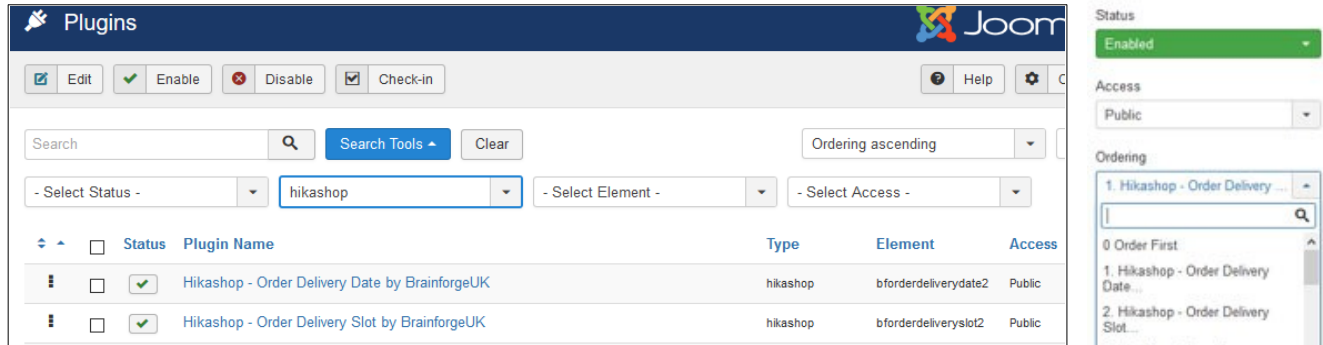
Changing the shipping method will always, if necessary, change the delivery dates available to the customer. When they change a shipping method they may have to select a different delivery date.

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6.2 Order Delivery Slot Plugin

Can be used with conjunction with the [Brainforge.UK Order Delivery Slot plugin](#).

When doing this you must ensure that the *Delivery Date* plugin precedes the *Delivery Slot* plugin in the Joomla plugin execution order. An error message is disabled when this is not the case.



The screenshot displays the Joomla! Plugins management interface. The main table lists two plugins:

Status	Plugin Name	Type	Element	Access
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hikashop - Order Delivery Date by BrainforgeUK	hikashop	bfordeliverydate2	Public
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hikashop - Order Delivery Slot by BrainforgeUK	hikashop	bfordeliveryslot2	Public

On the right side, the 'Ordering' dropdown menu is open, showing the following sequence:

1. Hikashop - Order Delivery ...
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1. Hikashop - Order Delivery Date...
2. Hikashop - Order Delivery Slot...