News+ Update instructions from 8.x-5.3.0 to 8.x-5.4.0

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This document will guide you to upgrade your Drupal 8 News+ 8.x-5.3.0 installation to News+ 8.x-5.4.0 for Drupal 8.

1. Prepare your workbench

Create a temporary installation of **Drupal 8 News+ 8.x-5.4.0** by following the installation instructions. You will use this as a reference to guide you.

2. Backup

- Backup everything.
- Just in case, make sure you backed up everything =) (besides, it's always a good idea).

3. Put your website in maintenance mode

- Login to your Drupal installation as administration user
- Navigate to admin/config/development/maintenance
- Enable the "Put site into maintenance mode" option
- Save your configuration

4. Patch your News+ theme files

- Locate our theme folder in your temporary installation. Usually at [themes/custom/newsplus]
- 2. Locate our theme folder in your site. Usually at [themes/custom/newsplus]
- 3. Backup the following files of your installation
 - css/base/local-base.css
 - o css/components/local-components.css
 - o css/theme/local-theme.css
- Replace the following files or folders in your installation, using the corresponding source files from the temporary installation (folders should be first deleted and then copied over from your temp installation).
 - o newsplus.info.yml

Place the backed up above local-*.css files to the corresponding folders by overriding the existing ones.

5. Clear all cached data

This step is important in order to force your template to be informed for the changes you have made in the template files.

To do this navigate to **admin/config/development/performance** and click the "Clear all caches" button.

6. Update extra modules

Before you proceed with the following, please **run cron** and **clear the Drupal cache** on your installation to ensure that your DB is ready for the updates.

News+ comes with several extra modules required to achieve its functionality. The following process will update them to the latest (by the time these lines are written) version, as marked below:

- Entity Reference Revisions module to latest 8.x-1.4
- Locate the extra modules folder of your site, usually at [modules] and [modules/contrib].
- 2. Delete the folder **entity_reference_revisions** that belong to the News+ distribution. If there are any extra module folders that have been installed by you later, you should leave them untouched or update them later manually, which is beyond the scope of this guide.
- 3. Copy the latest version of the deleted module from your temporary installation.

 Run the update.php file calling a url like http://www.example.com/update.php or http://www.example.com/test_site/update.php, if your site is located under a subdirectory.

7. Update Drupal Core

Before you proceed with the following, please **run cron** and **clear the Drupal cache** on your installation to ensure that your DB is ready for the updates.

Take a breath and read the <u>Drupal 8 update documentation</u>. This upgrade will update your Drupal core to the version 8.4.4

- Locate the root folder of your site. This is Drupal's root folder, where the index.php file is located.
- Delete all files and folders except the [sites], [themes] and [modules] folders.
- Copy all Drupal files and folders from your temporary installation except the [sites],
 [themes] and [modules] folders.
- Run the update.php file calling a url like http://www.example.com/update.php or http://www.example.com/test_site/update.php, if your site is located under a subdirectory.

8. Clear all cached data

This step is important in order to force your template to be informed for the changes you have made in the template files.

To do this navigate to **admin/config/development/performance** and click the "Clear all caches" button.

9. Disable maintenance mode

- 1. Navigate to admin/config/development/maintenance
- 2. Disable the "Put site into maintenance mode" option.
- 3. Save your configuration.