

Suppression list (Pro)

Pro version. This feature belongs to the Pro version of Mail Log. What the free version can do is described under *Free version and Pro version*.

The suppression list holds the addresses that should no longer be written to. It grows out of the reports Mail Log fetches — see the chapter *Return channel*.

Why it exists

Keep writing to addresses that demonstrably do not exist and you damage your own standing with the receiving server. Large providers read a high undeliverable rate as the mark of a sender who does not maintain their list — and then downgrade the mail to your *valid* recipients too. It ends up in the spam folder, or is refused outright.

The suppression list is therefore not a convenience but deliverability protection: it protects the mail to everybody else.

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These addresses are no longer written to. Writing a hundred times to an address that does not exist damages your standing with the receiving server – and then mail to valid addresses suffers too. Sending to a suppressed address is refused and noted in the log.

Suppress an address by hand

E-mail address

Note (optional)

Suppress

Upper and lower case do not matter; the address is stored in lower case.

Address or note

Filter Options

Clear

Last event descending

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Address	Reason	Events	Last	Note
☐ gibtesnicht@example.org	Permanently undeliverable	1	Sunday, 20 September 2026 16:02	
☐ genervt@example.com	Complaint	1	Saturday, 19 September 2026 18:02	Kunde hat um Austragung gebeten

Release

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When an address gets on it

Reason	When
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Permanently undeliverable

Immediately, the first time. An address that does not exist will not start to.

Reason	When
Complaint	Immediately. Someone who marked your mail as spam does not want it — a second attempt makes things worse, not better.
Unreachable too often	Only once a threshold is reached. A full mailbox is often empty again the next day.
Added by hand	When you do it — via the form at the top or straight from a bounce report.

You set the threshold under *Options → Return channel → Evaluation: Suppress after ... temporary failures* and the *period for that*. Only what falls inside that window is counted — an address that was unreachable three times two years ago is not a case today.

A further event does not overwrite the reason. An address suppressed because of a complaint stays suppressed for that reason, even if a temporary failure comes in afterwards. The *events* counter still goes up.

What a suppression does

Mail Log refuses to **resend** to a suppressed address — both through the button in the detail view and through the queue. The error message names the address concerned, so that you know which one to release if you want to. *To* and *Cc* are checked; a blind copy is not something the recipient sees anyway.

A suppression does not stop Joomla's own sending. If somebody registers again with a suppressed address, or a newsletter tool adds it back, the mail goes out — Mail Log records it but does not hold it back. The send path belongs to Joomla, and an extension that quietly inserts itself into it would be the wrong place for this.

The suppression list is therefore a *statement* about which addresses are dead. What follows from it is your decision — usually: remove the address in the source it came from.

Adding and releasing by hand

Under *Mail Log* → *Suppression list*:

- **Add** — address into the form at the top, optionally with a note (such as "customer asked to be removed"), then *Suppress*. Upper and lower case do not matter; the address is stored in lower case.
- **Release** — select rows, then *Release*. Mail is written to the address again from then on. The bounces that led to the suppression are kept; if a new permanent failure comes in, the address is back on the list.

You can filter by reason and free text (address and note). The *events* column counts how often the address has come up — a high number on a temporary suppression is a hint that the mailbox was not just briefly full.

Who may do this

Adding and releasing depend on the *Manage the suppression list* permission (*Options* → *Permissions*). Whoever holds it decides who this site still writes to — grant it sparingly. *Viewing* the list only needs the ordinary read permission; deleting bounces depends on the log's delete permission.

When switching back to the free version

The suppression list stays stored and is merely no longer shown or maintained. Install the Pro version again later and it is there unchanged.

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