First Time Configuration

These are the instructions to follow in order to start using Google Maps on your site.

1. Install and enable the Google Maps addon if you have not already, following Installation of Addons. <
2. If you do not yet have a Google Maps API Key, apply for one here. <
3. In your admin panel, go to Addons > Google Maps > Settings, and enter the Google Maps API key you obtained in the previous step. Save the settings. <
4. Change the rest of the setting if you wish to change them from the defaults. <
5. At the bottom of that same page in your admin, after the settings have been saved, ensure that the Google Map Preview displays correctly in the Maps Preview section. If it does not, check the settings and that cURL is working on your server, if the map does not display here it will not display on listing details pages. <
6. Add the tag **{addon author='geo_addons' addon='google_maps' tag='listing_map'}** to your classified details and auction details templates, which ever is appropriate for your software product. Within the default template set installed when you bought the software the templates involved would be the listing_classified.tpl and/or auction_detail.tpl template. Depending on your edition of the software you could have one or the other. Within these templates you would insert this tag where you want the Google Maps addon to appear in your listing details page.<
7. In Listing Setup > Fields to Use make sure to allow using the following fields:
   - Mapping Address <
   - Mapping City <
   - Mapping State <
   - Mapping Country <
   - Mapping Zip <

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1. Place a test listing on your site, and be sure to enter the mapping data. Once the listing is placed, view the listing details to see if the map displays. <

<tip cn>Make sure you test/use this feature with an actual address that can be found by the Google Maps site. If the address is not a good address the window may never appear</tip>