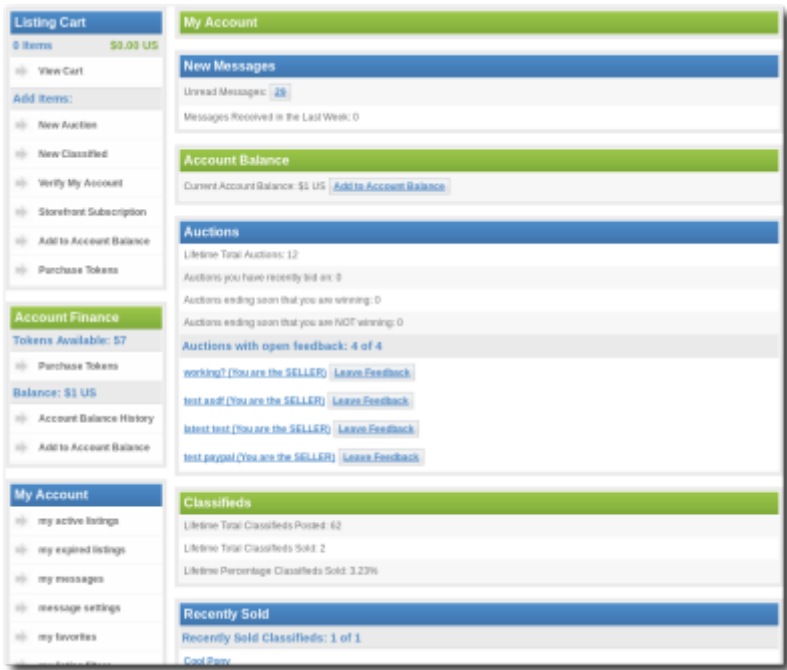# User Account Settings

This page contains settings useful for customizing the My Account section of your site. For now, the switches deal almost exclusively with the My Account Home Page.

Main Settings

My Account Home Type

You can select to use either the newer "My Account Page" layout or the older "User Management Home Page" layout. Examples of each are shown below (click on them to see bigger pictures). If choosing the "My Account Home" setting after upgrading from a version of the software prior to 4.0.0RC11, you'll want to make sure you include the **(!MY_ACCOUNT_LINKS!)** module (shown on the left in the first screenshot below) in the template used on the My Account Home page, so that your users can navigate their account settings. If you installed the software at version 4.0.0RC11 or higher, this is now the default setup, and already done for you.

My Account Home (New)

User Management Home Page (Old)

Post-Login Landing Page

You can choose which page the user is directed to after they login here...to the user management home page or the site wide home page. Upon successful completion of login the user will be directed to the page you choose.

Number of rows per table

Here, you can choose the maximum number of rows you would like to appear in information tables on the My Account Page (this setting has no effect if you are using the old User Account Home Page)

Show icons for addons in "My Account Links"

The icons that appear alongside entires for addons in the My Account Links module are disabled by default. You can turn them on by checking this box here. Note that we recommend to keep this turned off as it can result in an inconsistent look for my account links, it is mainly provided as a backwards-compatibility option.

Verify Account Settings

Add ability to charge a user $1 (or any amount that you choose), and when payment is received, it shows a "verified" icon next to their username and/or next to the title for any listings the user places. This is done as an anti-spam measure, since most spammers are not willing to pay money to spam a site.

The icons used by default are:

"Verified Account" Icon:

"Verified Account" Icon in Listing Details:

VERIFIEDACCOUNT

The icons used can be changed in the admin at Site Setup > Browsing Settings. The software also comes with these alternative icons:

"Verified Account" Icon alternatives:

✓ VERIFIED**SELLER** ✓ VERIFIED**USER**

"Verified Account" Icon in Listing Details alternatives:

VERIFIEDSELLER **ERIFIEDUSER**

You can find these alternatives in the default template set, in the folder **external/images/** and start with **verified_**.

<tip c n>Note that there is a "Verify Account" order item, that charges $1 to verify the user's account. That order item has additional price plan specific settings in **Pricing > Price Plans Home > [edit button] > Cost Specifics**, such as turning the item off, or changing the price.

Those price plan item settings will only be available if **Enable account verification system** is enabled (checked). </tip>

Enable account verification system

Check this box to enable the account verification system, and to display additional settings available only when enabled.

All order items "require admin approval" for Non-verified accounts (including anonymous listings)

If checked, **anything** done by a non-verified account (including anonymous listings), would require admin approval. This includes placing listings, editing listings, renewing, upgrading, etc. Anything that is able to be set to "require admin approval" under the price plan settings, will be "forced" to do so for non-verified accounts.

You can find the normal "require admin approval" settings that this is over-riding for non-verified accounts, in the admin at:

Pricing > Price Plans Home > [edit button] > Cost Specifics, near the bottom of the page, in the section Price Plan Items.
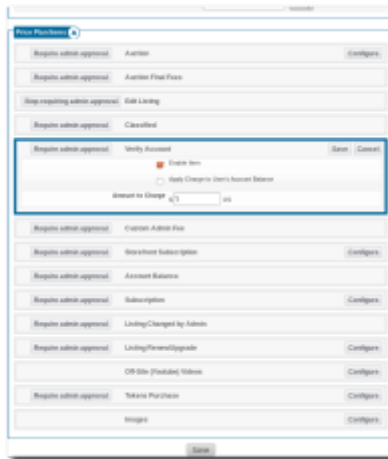
Note that anything done by a **verified** account, would continue to follow the normal settings for the price plan for that user mentioned above.

Example:

User account verify settings are set as illustrated:

[Price plan settings are set as illustrated:](#)

Result:

User is not yet verified: Everything they do, placing a new listing, editing listings, renewing listings, etc. will require admin approval because it is set to require admin approval for all items for non-verified accounts.

Once user is verified: They can place listings, renew listings, etc without needing admin approval. The only thing that would require admin approval is editing a listing, because that is what is set in the price plan settings illustrated above.

Verify account when user pays for something

When this is checked, if the user pays for anything on the site, they do not need to specifically purchase the "account verification" as it will automatically verify the user. This goes along with the theory that the spammers are not going to be paying for things.

Note that any transactions paid for with **account balance** does **not** auto-verify the account. This is because being able to pay with account balance, does not necessarily mean that the user actually paid money: the account could be "going negative", or the account could have started out with a balance, etc.

Boxes

The My Account Home Page organizes information into what we call, simply, "boxes." Each box shows information related to a different aspect of the software. The checkboxes in this section can be used to turn each box on or off. If a box is turned off, it will not display on the front-side of the site until it is turned on again (though any relevant data, such as which Auctions have recently sold, will still be tracked).

The "Recently Sold" row has a sub-setting that can be used to specify how far back in time (in days) the Recently Sold box looks when finding listings that have been sold. In other words, this setting lets you specify exactly how recent is meant by "Recently."

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