

Recall an Earlier Version of Your Blog Post

Uh-oh. You have writer's remorse and wish you could change your post back to the way you wrote it earlier. Post Revisions to the rescue! This revision-saving feature of WordPress lets you view and restore earlier versions of a post. What a relief.

Once you have saved your post, even if you have not published it, a simple *undo* command does not undo the changes.

Recall an Earlier Version of Your Blog Post

- 1 Click **Screen Options** to expand the Show on Screen options.
- 2 Click **Revisions** (changes to)
- 3 Click **Screen Options** to collapse the options.
- 4 Scroll to the bottom of your Edit Post page. A list of post revisions appears.

- 5 Click the version that you think you would like to restore.

WordPress opens a new page that displays that version, in the HTML format and, at the bottom of that page, the list of revisions that you can compare.

The screenshot shows the WordPress 'Edit Post' interface. At the top, the 'Show on screen' section is expanded, and the 'Revisions' checkbox is checked. A red circle '1' points to the 'Screen Options' dropdown, a red circle '2' points to the 'Revisions' checkbox, and a red circle '3' points to the 'Screen Options' dropdown again. Below this, the post content is visible, including the title 'The Bill of Rights' and the beginning of the Preamble. A red circle '4' points to the bottom of the page. At the bottom, a 'Revisions' section is expanded, showing a list of revisions with timestamps and the user 'Janet'. A red circle '5' points to the first revision in the list. On the right side, the 'Publish' and 'Format' sections are visible, with a red circle '4' pointing to the 'Format' section.

- 6 Click the revisions that you want to compare (○ changes to ●).

Note: One button must be in the left column of buttons, and the other must be in the right column.

- 7 Click **Compare Revisions**.

WordPress displays the two versions side by side, and it highlights places in which the two versions are different.

- A Older version appears on left.
 B Newer version appears on right.
 C Specific changes show darker highlighting.

- 8 When you have identified the desired previous version, click **Restore**.

WordPress restores the desired version and returns you to the Edit Post page.

- 9 Make any changes you want, and then click **Update** if the post already has been published (or **Save Draft** if the post has not been published).

Excerpt

Revisions

Compare Revisions

Old	New	Date Created	Author	Actions
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 13:51 [Current Revision]	Janet	
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 13:59 [Autosave]	Janet	Restore
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 13:35	Janet	Restore
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 13:35	Janet	Restore
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 11:51	Janet	Restore
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 11:39	Janet	Restore
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 11:27	Janet	Restore
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	10 October, 2011 @ 11:08	Janet	Restore

Compare Revisions of "Bill of rights protects individual rights"

Older: 10 October, 2011 @ 13:35

Newer: 10 October, 2011 @ 13:51 [Current Revision]

Content

A The Bill of Rights

B The Preamble to The Bill of Rights

C Congress of the United States

begin and held at the City of New-York, on

Wednesday the fourth of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine.

THE Conventions of a number of the States, having at the time of their adopting the Constitution, expressed a desire, in order to prevent misconstruction or abuse of its powers, that further declaratory and restrictive clauses should be added: And as extending the ground of public confidence in the Government, will best ensure the beneficent ends of its institution.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of

TIPS

Can I compare one old version with another old version?

Yes. Just click the radio buttons beside the versions you want to compare.

I relied on WordPress automatically saving my post as I worked, but I see only one Autosave version in the list. How can I get an earlier Autosave version?

You cannot. WordPress keeps only the most recently automatically saved version. Hence, you need to click **Save Draft** (or **Update Post**) as you work if you want to have access to older versions.