

How to make CAPTCHA Connector work with the Joomla Login page

Step 1: Create a “hidden” menu, which is just a normal menu that you don’t have a module for to display on your site.

Menu->Menu Manager

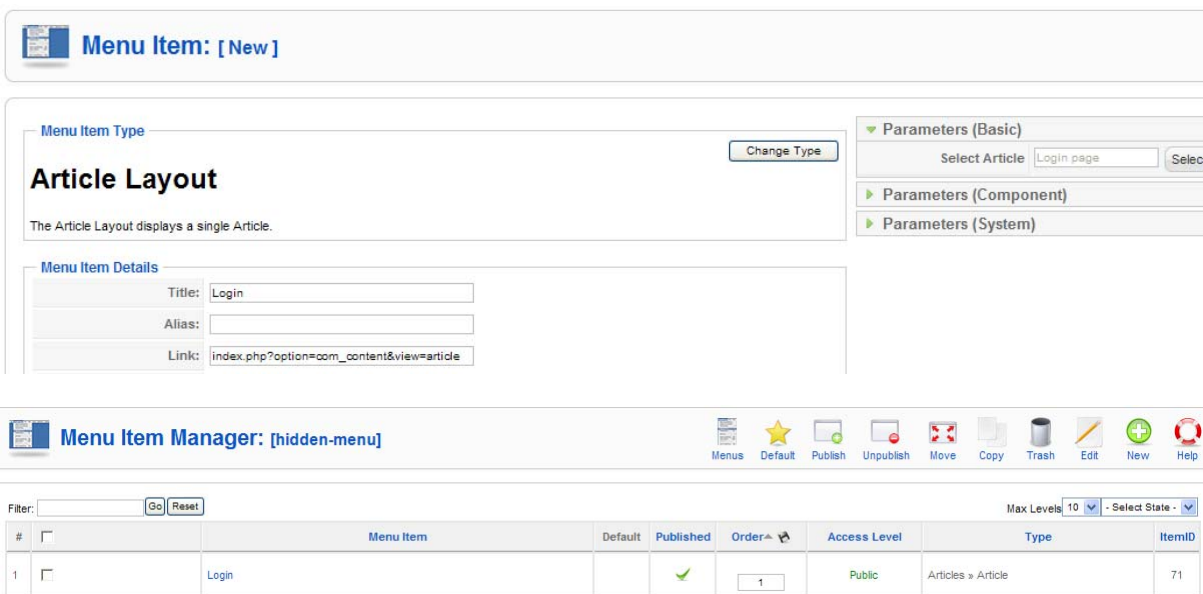
New



The screenshot shows the Joomla! Menu Manager interface for creating a new menu. The title is "Menu: [New]". The form contains the following fields:

- Unique Name: Hidden Menu
- Title: Hidden Menu
- Description: Used for login form
- Module Title: (empty)

Step 2: Add an item to this hidden menu (can be an article or whatever you like).



The screenshot shows the Joomla! Menu Manager interface for adding a new item to a menu. The title is "Menu Item: [New]". The form is divided into two main sections:

- Menu Item Type:** "Article Layout" (with a "Change Type" button). Below it, a description states: "The Article Layout displays a single Article." Under "Menu Item Details", the fields are: Title: Login, Alias: (empty), Link: index.php?option=com_content&view=article.
- Parameters:** "Parameters (Basic)" section shows "Select Article" set to "Login page". Other sections include "Parameters (Component)" and "Parameters (System)".

Below the form is the "Menu Item Manager: [hidden-menu]" table. It includes a toolbar with icons for Menu, Default, Publish, Unpublish, Move, Copy, Trash, Edit, New, and Help. A filter field is present with "Go" and "Reset" buttons. The table has columns for #, Menu Item, Default, Published, Order, Access Level, Type, and ItemID.

#	Menu Item	Default	Published	Order	Access Level	Type	ItemID
1	Login		✓	1	Public	Articles » Article	71

Make note of the ItemID at the end, in this case 71

Open menu link and copy url from Link field

index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=46

Append Itemid to url

index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=46&Itemid=71

Step 3: Add a Captcha Connector menu item to your main menu, for example “Login Page”

Redirect URL will be the link from above, with a ./ at the beginning eg.

./index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=46&Itemid=71

The screenshot shows the Joomla! administrator interface for configuring a new menu item. The title is "Menu Item: [New]". The menu item type is "Captcha Connector". The "Menu Item Details" section includes: Title: "Login page", Alias: (empty), Link: "index.php?option=com_captcha_connector&via", Display in: "Main Menu", and Parent Item: "Top". The "Parameters (Component)" section shows: Redirect URL: "./index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=46&Itemid=71", Introduction Text (optional): (empty), and CAPTCHA text: "(Input word from image)". Buttons for "Save", "Apply", and "Cancel" are visible in the top right.

Step 4: Set the menu assignment of your login form to only be visible for your hidden menu item.

The screenshot shows the "Menu Assignment" configuration screen. Under "Menus:", the radio button "Select Menu Item(s) from the List" is selected. The "Menu Selection:" dropdown menu is open, showing a list of menu items. The "hidden-menu" section is expanded, and "Login" is selected. Other menu items include "ExamplePages", "keyconcepts", and "mainmenu".

Also choose location of your login form

Position:

Now when you click on Login page on your main menu, the CAPTCHA Connector will be displayed.

The screenshot shows the Joomla! BEEZ template interface. At the top right, there are font size controls: "Font-size: bigger smaller reset". The logo "BEEZ Joomla! accessible Template" is on the left. A navigation menu includes "About Joomla!", "Features", "News", and "The Community". A breadcrumb trail reads "You are here: Home > Login page". A search bar is present. On the left, a "Main Menu" lists items like "Home", "Joomla! Overview", "Joomla! License", "More about Joomla!", "FAQ", "The News", "Web Links", "News Feeds", and "Login page". In the center, a CAPTCHA challenge is displayed with the image "U3TV" and the instruction "(Input word from image)", with a "Submit" button below it. On the right, a "Newsflash" section contains text about Joomla! Extensions.

Once successfully completed, you will be redirect to the page where your login form is visible.

The screenshot shows the Joomla! BEEZ template interface after the CAPTCHA challenge. The layout is similar to the previous screenshot. The "Main Menu" on the left now has "Login page" highlighted. The central area displays the "Login Form" with the instruction "Please login on the left." The form includes fields for "Username" and "Password", a "Remember Me" checkbox, and a "Log in" button. Below the form are links for "Forgot your password?", "Forgot your username?", and "No Account Yet? Create an account". The "Newsflash" section on the right now contains text about a server strike in the U.S.