What Slugs Manager Does (Scope and Limits)

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What Slugs Manager does, and what it does not

Slugs Manager: Delete Old Permalinks from WordPress Database is a focused clean-up tool. Its job is to find and remove old slugs (permalinks) left behind when you change a post's title or URL. Knowing its scope up front avoids confusion. Everything lives on one page under **WPFactory > Slugs Manager**.

What it does

- **Scans for old post slugs:** lists every `_wp_old_slug` record in the database, with the old slug, post ID, post title, post type, and current slug.
- **Removes old slugs:** delete a single entry, a selection, or all of them.
- **Regenerates slugs from titles (Pro):** rebuilds the current slug from the post title for the post types you choose.
- **Automates clean ups (Pro):** scheduled clean ups on an interval, or clean up whenever a post is saved.
- **Flushes rewrite rules:** a free Extra Tool that removes and recreates WordPress rewrite rules.

What it does not do

- It is not a live slug editor. To change a current post slug, edit the post's permalink in the editor.
- It is not a redirect manager. It does not create or store 301 redirects. Removing an old slug actually removes the WordPress redirect that old slug provided.
- It does not manage taxonomy (category or tag) old slugs. It only handles post-level `_wp_old_slug` records.

A safe workflow

Because clearing old slugs removes the matching WordPress redirects, pair Slugs Manager with a redirect strategy. First set up 301 redirects for any prior URLs that still receive traffic using a dedicated redirect tool, then use Slugs Manager to prune the leftover old slugs you no longer need. Always back up your database before a bulk operation.

Questions about scope?

If you are unsure whether Slugs Manager fits your use case, our team answers every ticket on the Slugs Manager support forum.



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