

## Redmine - Defect #7582

### hiding form pages from search engines

2011-02-09 08:20 - Yuki Sonoda

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	2011-02-09
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>	Jean-Baptiste Barth	<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	Search engine	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	1.2.0	<b>Affected version:</b>	1.1.1
<b>Resolution:</b>	Fixed		

#### Description

Form pages like /issues/new are not worth to be indexed by search engines. And moreover it is sometimes confusing for visitors from search engine. When you have a question about redmine and you search about it, what can you do if /issues/new appears?

It happens when these form pages are opened for anonymous user. It actually happened at redmine.ruby-lang.org once. So I wrote the attached patch. This patch adds a meta element as follows in some pages:

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<meta name="ROBOTS" content="NOINDEX,FOLLOW,NOARCHIVE" />
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#### Related issues:

Related to Redmine - Defect #6734: robots.txt: disallow crawling issues list ... Closed 2010-10-24

#### Associated revisions

##### Revision 5443 - 2011-04-12 21:22 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Adds noindex,noarchive robots meta tag on form pages (#7582).

#### History

##### #1 - 2011-02-12 15:25 - Jean-Baptiste Barth

- Status changed from New to 7
- Assignee set to Jean-Baptiste Barth
- Affected version (unused) set to 1.1.1
- Affected version set to 1.1.1

Makes sense to me. I saw some people use it uppercase, other lowercase. Do you know if there is any difference ? (I don't care about standards here, but some exotic search engines may have bots with exotic implementations..)

##### #2 - 2011-03-13 17:18 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Target version set to 1.2.0

##### #3 - 2011-03-16 22:26 - Be Fio

Related to [#6734](#) (check note-9). Issue [#6734](#) could be solved with this issue as well, since the code required is basically what's needed.

##### #4 - 2011-04-12 21:23 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Status changed from 7 to Closed
- Resolution set to Fixed

Patch committed in [r5443](#). It was lowercase'd for consistency with other head tags.

#### Files

robot_exclusion.patch	2.01 KB	2011-02-09	Yuki Sonoda
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