

# Panic Button Hack v4.0.002

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This hack is brought to you by Wolfshead Solutions (<http://www.wolfshead-solutions.com/>).

Your own vBulletin Boss Key, it is displayed in the postbit of each post, so you can quickly click yourself to the safety of legitimate url when the boss turns up.



**NOTE:** Any Panic Button you see in a thread is tied to your profile, even if it is in someone else's postbit (to prove it, disable the Panic Button in the your UserCP)

Support and screenshots are here –

[http://www.vbulletin.org/forum/misc.php?do=producthelp&pid=ms\\_panic\\_button\\_40](http://www.vbulletin.org/forum/misc.php?do=producthelp&pid=ms_panic_button_40)

If your members report errors when clicking on the panic button, the first thing to check for is that the **Panic Button - URL Jump** box is not empty. The second thing to ensure is that they used the full url (including **http://**) when typing in the site their panic button will go to, i.e. **http://www.google.com** (will work) and not like this - **www.google.com** (will not work).

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Please ensure that you click **Mark as Installed** on my hack at vbulletin.org. This is essential should you require free support/help with this hack, as not clicking **Mark as Installed** will mean I will ignore all requests for help/support.

## Installation Instructions

(Screenshots are included with the instructions to show the instructions visually as well)

**NOTE:** If you are upgrading from an older version of this hack (versions that had template edits need to have all of the template changes reverted), follow **Steps 3 – 4** only.

## Step 1:

In the AdminCP, go to **User Profile Fields** -> **Add New User Profile Field**

**Profile Field Type:** Single-Selection Radio Buttons



**Title:** Panic Button - ON/OFF Switch

**Description:** The Panic Button is an icon that resides at bottom left hand corner of each post. If your Boss turns up, clicking the icon immediately sends you to another URL of your choice. <br />Select the appropriate button to turn this feature ON or OFF.

**Options:** Off (press **Enter** followed by) On

**Set default:** Yes

**Field Required:** Yes, at registration and profile updating

**Field Editable by User:** Yes

**Private Field:** Yes

**Field Searchable on Members list:** No

**Show on Members List:** No

**Which page displays this option?:** Options: Thread Viewing

Leave all other options alone and click the **Save** button.

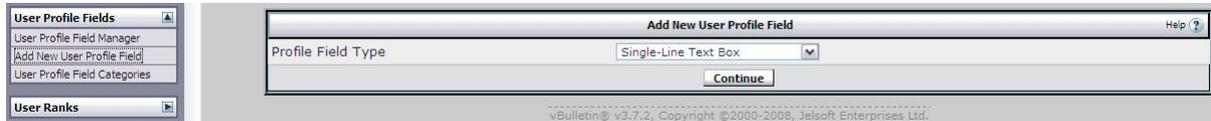
Note the field ID number for **Step 4** (i.e. field5 = field ID is 5)!!

Also ensure that the Options are **Off** and **On** (not off and on), as they are case sensitive.

## Step 2:

Again select **User Profile Fields** -> **Add New User Profile Field**

**Profile Field Type:** [Single Line Text Box](#)



**Title:** [Panic Button - URL Jump](#)

**Description:** This is the URL that is jumped to when you click on the Panic Button. Make sure you use the full url including the `<b>http://</b>`.

**Default Value:** <http://www.wolfshead-solutions.com>

**Field Required:** [Yes, at registration and profile updating](#)

**Field Editable by User:** [Yes](#)

**Private Field:** [Yes](#)

**Field Searchable on Members list:** [No](#)

**Show on Members List:** [No](#)

**Which page displays this option?:** [Options: Thread Viewing](#)

**User Profile Field Manager**

**User Profile Field: Panic Button - URL Jump (id: 6 - input)**

Title:

Description:   
[Large Edit Box](#)

Profile Field Category:  (Uncategorized)

Default Value:

Max length of allowed user input:

Field Length:

Profile Field Type:  Single-Line Text Box  
 Multiple-Line Text Box

Display Order:

Field Required:

Field Editable by User:

Private Field:  Yes  No

Field Searchable on Members List:  Yes  No

Show on Members List:  Yes  No

Regular Expression:

Which page displays this option?:

[Save](#) [Reset](#)

Leave all other options alone and click the **Save** button.

Note the field ID number for **Step 4** (i.e. field6 = field ID is 6)!!

### Step 3:

In **Plugins & Products** → **Manage Products** → **[Add/Import Product]**:

Import **ms\_panic\_button\_40.xml**, if upgrading then set **Allow Overwrite** to **Yes**.

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### Step 4:

In **vBulletin Options** → **Panic Button**:



The screenshot shows the configuration interface for the Panic Button plugin. At the top, there is a 'Setting Group' dropdown menu set to 'Panic Button' and a 'Go' button. Below this is a section titled 'Panic Button' with a 'Help' icon. The first section is 'Panic Button - ON/OFF Switch Field ID', which contains the instruction 'Enter the user profile field number of Panic Button - ON/OFF Switch User Profile Field.' and a text input field containing the number '5'. The second section is 'Panic Button - URL Jump Field ID', which contains the instruction 'Enter the user profile field number of Panic Button - URL Jump User Profile Field.' and a text input field containing the number '6'. At the bottom of the form are 'Save' and 'Reset' buttons. A footer at the very bottom reads 'vBulletin® v3.7.2, Copyright ©2000-2008, Jelsoft Enterprises Ltd.'

Enter the Field ID from **Step 1** into the **Panic Button - ON/OFF Switch Field ID** field and the Field ID from **Step 2** into the **Panic Button - URL Jump Field ID** field (i.e. from the examples used in these instructions: **5** (from **Step 1**) and **6** (from **Step 2**)).

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Existing members will need to set their Panic button settings in the **Thread Display Options** section of **UserCP** -> **Edit Options**.

New members can choose to turn it when registering.

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## Uninstall Instructions

1. In the AdminCP, go to **User Profile Fields** -> **User Profile Field Manager**.
  - Delete the **Panic Button - ON/OFF Switch** profile field.
  - Delete the **Panic Button - URL Jump** profile field.
2. Uninstall the product using the AdminCP Product Manager.