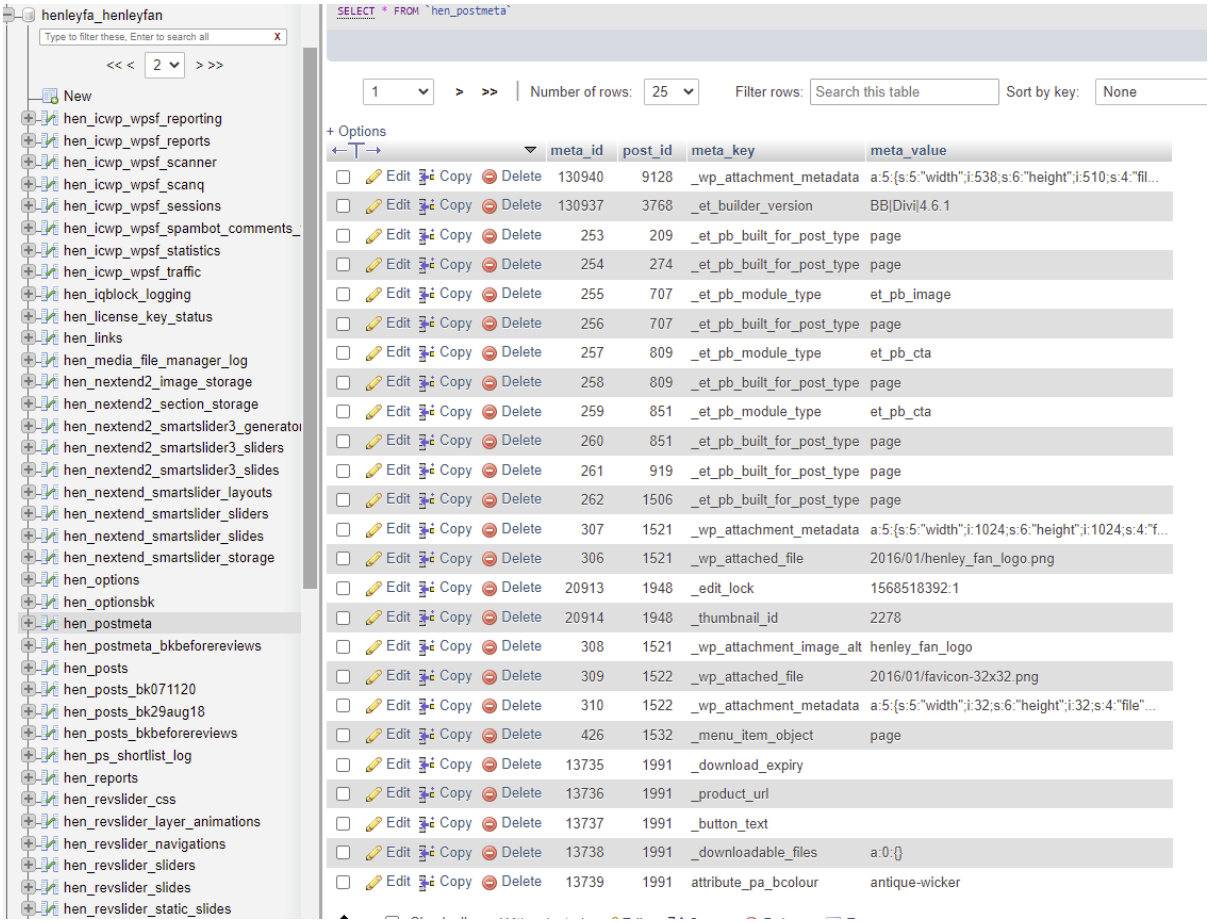
Using PDF Invoice Plugin Invoice or Sequential Numbering in Xero

The table is the postmeta which contains the meta data for the main WP posts data.



Use any PDF Invoice Plug No in Xero

There are half a dozen WooCommerce PDF plugins on the market. We have enabled any of them to work with Xeroom and their invoice numbers to be picked up and used with Xeroom eg wcpdfinvoices.com so that users' customers and bookkeepers can tie-up and match the same invoice from Woo or Xero.

The PDF plugin usually saves the Invoice No. in a post meta entry, that can be _invoice_number_display - this is from the other WooCommerce PDF plugin. The request was to allow user to define which post meta key represents the PDF Invoice No., as you can see it on the image provided. To deploy it find the meta_key from the plugin and put it in the Custom Meta Invoice No field.

Do not try to mix and match the Xeroom Invoice Prefix and Start No with the WC PDF plugin it is either/or. So for example if you want an invoice prefix set it in the WC PDF plugin and it will be picked up.

To find the meta_key

You can try using the keys given at the end of this doc which are the defaults for those plugins. If it doesn't work then you can check in the database. To do this either search the table in SQL

in your database if you have access or else install the WP Data Access plugin which enables you to browse and edit the database. Go to the Postmeta table and explore for “invoice” once the PDF no plugin has been installed. Alternatively place a test order, assign the invoice no and then browse to the bottom of the table where your order will show with the meta_key values for that order.

meta_id	post_id	meta_key	meta_value
3435582	100301	_eu_vat_evidence	a:3:{s:24:"eu_vat_assistant_version";s:13:"1.14.3....
3435584	100301	_wwpp_order_type	wholesale
3435585	100301	_wwpp_wholesale_order_ty...	wholesale
3435586	100301	wwp_wholesale_role	wholesale
3435587	100301	_recorded_sales	yes
3435588	100301	_recorded_coupon_usage_...	yes
3435601	100301	_order_stock_reduced	no
3435602	100301	_bewpi_invoice_date	2021-01-25 20:09:58
3435603	100301	_bewpi_invoice_number	7
3435604	100301	_bewpi_invoice_pdf_path	/00007-2021.pdf
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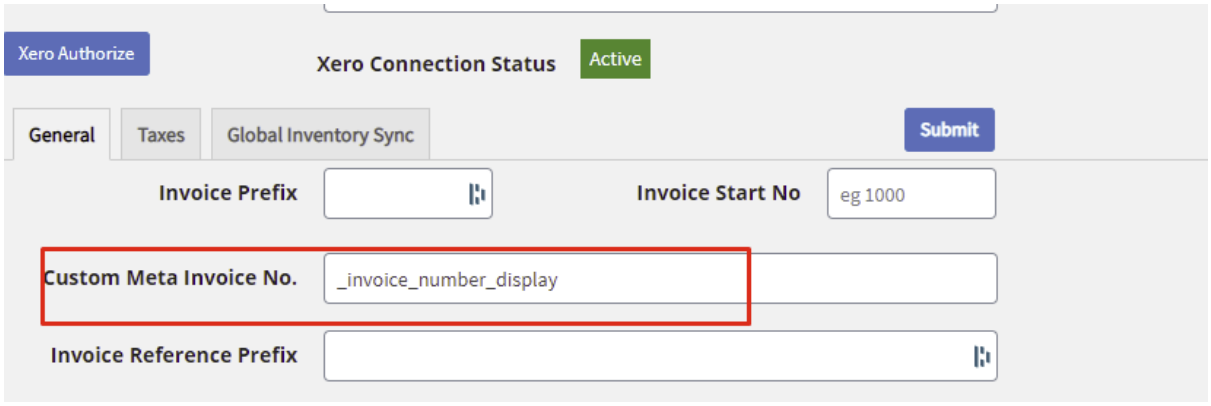

Expected meta_keys for different PDF Number Plugins

1. Woocommerce PDF Invoices by Andrew Benbow

_invoice_number_display

2. Invoices for Woocommerce by Bas Elbers – Highly rated by customers https://wcpdfinvoices.com/

_bewpi_invoice_number

only stores the number and no pre or suffice so use Invoice Prefix to add any prefix eg WO

Meta Id	Post Id	Meta Key	Meta Value
32823	979	_bewpi_invoice_date	2021-11-29 18:48:59
32824	979	_bewpi_invoice_number	1
32825	979	_bewpi_invoice_pdf_path	2021/WO 00001-2021.pdf

3. WooCommerce Sequential Order Numbers Pro by SkyVerge

_order_number_formatted

4. WooCommerce PDF Invoices & Packing Slips by Erwout Fernhout – now rebranded WPOvernight

_wcpdf_invoice_number

5. WooCommerce PDF Invoices, Packing Slips, Delivery Notes and Shipping Lables by WebToffee

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