Sutra Plugins

Protected downloads and download credits

Content Restriction · https://sutraplugins.com/docs/membersutra/protected-downloads/

Pro feature: Protected files and download credits need MemberSutra Pro.

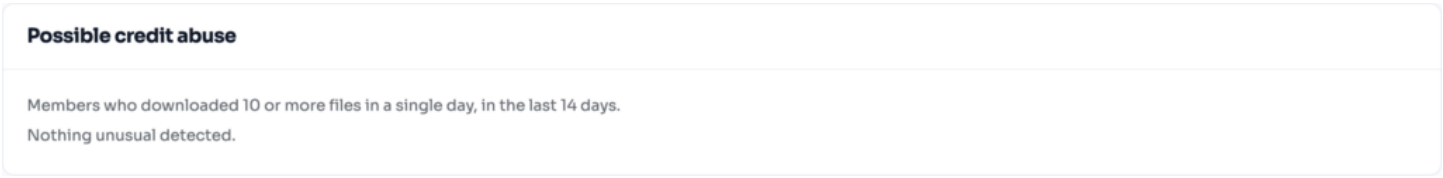
Protected files

Downloads are served through signed, expiring links, so a link copied to someone else stops working. Members find their files in **My Account** or wherever you place the Downloads Vault block.

Download credits

1. In the plan, choose **Using credits associated to products to download**.
2. Set how many credits the plan gives and how often they refill.
3. On each downloadable product, set how many credits it costs.

Members see their balance in My Account and in the Member Credits block. The **Downloads** tab on the Dashboard shows downloads over time, and the plugin warns you about possible abuse, such as many downloads in a short time.



A possible download-abuse alert.

Shortcodes

- `[membersutra_credit_balance]` – the current member's credit balance.
- `[membersutra_download_product_links]` – download links for the products a member can download.
- `[membersutra_protected_links]` – the protected files of a product.

- Members-only downloads also offer a file list and update notices – see Download files and update notices.