

WebHaste: First Site Launch Checklist

Goal: get a clean, static site live fast — with files you control.

Best for: portfolios, small business sites, landing pages, docs, simple blogs.

1) Before you start (5 minutes)

- ☐ Install the WebHaste Chrome extension
- ☐ Decide where your site “lives”:
 - ☐ Local folder (simple)
 - ☐ Git repo (recommended for history + rollback)
 - ☐ Shared drive folder (backups and team workflow)
- ☐ Pick a starting point:
 - ☐ Blank site
 - ☐ Starter template (Bootstrap / Tailwind)

2) Minimum viable pages (don't overthink it)

- ☐ Home page (what you do + primary CTA)
- ☐ About page (credibility)
- ☐ Contact page (email/form + location/service area if relevant)
- ☐ Privacy Policy page (especially if you use analytics, forms, embeds)

Optional but common:

- ☐ Services / Pricing
- ☐ FAQ
- ☐ Blog / Updates

3) Navigation + structure

- ☐ Add a top nav with the core pages
- ☐ Confirm every page has a clear H1
- ☐ Keep URLs clean and consistent (avoid “final-v2-reallyfinal.html” energy)
- ☐ Put assets in WebHaste pre-defined folders (e.g., /assets/, /elements/)

4) Basic SEO + trust basics

- ☐ Page titles are unique and descriptive
- ☐ Meta descriptions added (optional but helpful)
- ☐ Add a site favicon (we recommend <https://www.favicon-generator.org/>)
- ☐ Verify headings are in order (H1 → H2 → H3)
- ☐ Images have alt text
- ☐ Add canonical URL strategy (especially if migrating)

5) Preview like you mean it

- ☐ Preview the site in WebHaste
- ☐ Use preview window to test responsive layouts (desktop, laptop, tablet, phone)
- ☐ Test-render site as “Packaged” deployment to test links, search, etc.
- ☐ Test forms/links/embeds (if any)
- ☐ Confirm no placeholder text is left behind

6) Deploy (pick one)

Cloudflare Pages

- ☐ Configure account, set up pages project and retrieve connection info
 - ☐ Account ID
 - ☐ Project Name
 - ☐ API Token
- ☐ Connect git repo if not using WebHaste native deployment pipeline
- ☐ Confirm build/output settings (static output)
- ☐ Deploy and open the live URL

Netlify

- ☐ Configure account, set up project and retrieve connection info
 - Site ID
 - Personal Access Token
- ☐ Connect git repo if not using WebHaste native deployment pipeline
- ☐ Confirm publish directory
- ☐ Deploy and open the live URL

7) Post-launch verification (10 minutes)

- ☐ Test the live site on phone + desktop
- ☐ Check contact method works (email link or form)
- ☐ Verify HTTPS is enabled
- ☐ Run a quick broken-link scan (or manual spot check)
- ☐ Add analytics (optional)
- ☐ If using a custom domain: confirm DNS + redirects (www/non-www)

8) “Nice next steps” (optional upgrades)

- ☐ Test sitemap.xml and submit to search engines
- ☐ Test 404 page
- ☐ Add Open Graph / social preview tags
- ☐ Add Git workflow (even solo) for backups + rollback
- ☐ Create a simple content routine (monthly updates beat big redesigns)