

# Upgrading Match

If you have previously installed CManage Match, follow these steps to upgrade your installation.



## Always Upgrade QA First

It is [recommended](#) that you maintain separate QA (test) and Production instances. Upgrade your QA tier and confirm things are working as expected before upgrading Production.



## Review Installation Instructions

You should review the general installation instructions to check for any changes to minimum version (eg: minimum PHP version) and other requirements.

## Backup Your Database

While upgrading is usually a fairly straightforward process, from time to time fairly significant database changes are made. Efforts are made to make these changes transparent, but as a precaution you should create a backup of your database prior to upgrading in case you need to revert the upgrade.

## Download New Source

1. Checkout the source as described [Match Installation - Source](#).
2. Copy your `local` directory from your previous installation, or symlink to it.

## Run UpgradeVersion Command

The `UpgradeVersion` Command handles various tasks related to updating the database state for the application, including updating any table definitions and performing simple data migrations. You may need to run this command as a user that has permission to write to your `tmp` directory.

```
$ cd app
$ ./bin/cake upgradeVersion
$ ./bin/cake cache clear_all
```

Prior to Match v1.2.0, there was no `upgradeVersion` command. When upgrading to a version prior to v1.2.0, use `./bin/cake database` instead.

## UpgradeVersion When Tracking develop

For deployments tracking the `develop` branch, it is generally safe (and desirable) to run `upgradeVersion` each time the codebase is updated, *unless* there is a version specific upgrading note with instructions to the contrary.

## Version Specific Upgrade Steps

*Run the appropriate steps for the versions you are upgrading past AND to. For example, if you are upgrading from v1.0.0 to v1.2.0, you must run the upgrade steps for both v1.1.0 and v1.2.0 (if any).*

- [Upgrading Match From Pre-1.0.0 develop](#)
- [Upgrading Match to v1.1.0](#)
- [Upgrading Match to v1.2.0](#)