

Preparing Plugins for Publishing

When your plugin is ready, you might want to upload it to the JetBrains Plugin Repository (<http://plugins.intellij.net>) or to the [repository of your own](#). Yet, before uploading a plugin, you need to create a ZIP or JAR plugin archive. This section provides instructions for creating such an archive.

To create a plugin archive

- Right-click the plugin module in the **Project** view and select **Prepare Plugin Module <module-name> For Deployment** in the context menu.

As a result, IntelliJ IDEA will create the necessary archive.

If the plugin module does not depend on libraries, a JAR archive will be created. Otherwise, a ZIP archive will be created that will include all the necessary libraries.

See Also

Concepts:

- [Plugins](#)

Procedures:

- [Installing, Updating and Uninstalling Repository Plugins](#)
- [Adding Plugins to Enterprise Repositories](#)

Reference:

- [Project Tool Window](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#)