

How do I create a CNAME record for my custom domain?

A CNAME, or Canonical Name, record is an entry within the Domain Name System (DNS) that specifies where a user can find your web pages, or any other URL. You'll use this to associate your custom domain with your blog.

After registering your domain, decide if you want to use a particular subdomain for your blog. E.g. instead of `www.mydomain.com` you could use something like `blog.mydomain.com`, if you want. Then you'll create a corresponding CNAME record for that address, associating it with `www.compendiumblog.com`. Keep in mind that changes to DNS records make take up to 48 hours to take effect.

Each hosting service has slightly different ways to create CNAME records. Guidelines are provided here for some of the common services. When in doubt, check with the particular company you're using for additional help or instructions.

[CNAME Record: register.com](#)

1. Log in to your account.
2. Under the **My Accounts** tab, click on the domain for which you would like to create a CNAME record.
3. Under the **Advanced Technical Settings** heading, click **Edit Domain Alias (CNAME)**.
4. Enter the beginning of the custom URL or the unique string in the first box that is immediately to the left of your domain name. (ex: `blog.mydomain.com`)
5. Enter **`www.compendiumblog.com`** in the box to the right.
6. Click **Continue**.
7. Review what you typed and click **Continue** to confirm.