

Page Speed Optimizer

Magento 2 Module — Complete User Guide

Complete Guide — Every Screen, Every Button, Step by Step

Speed up your Magento storefront from the admin: convert catalog images to lighter WebP/AVIF, lazy-load images, minify and defer HTML/CSS/JS, preload key resources, and run live Google PageSpeed Insights diagnostics to measure your score. Hyvä and Luma compatible, licensed via the eTechFlow portal.

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1. Introduction

Page Speed Optimizer improves your Magento storefront's loading performance directly from the admin. It converts catalog images to lighter WebP/AVIF formats and lazy-loads them, applies code optimizations (HTML/CSS/JS minification, JavaScript and font deferral, resource preloading), and runs Google PageSpeed Insights diagnostics so you can see your performance score and track it over time.

The module is licensed through the eTechFlow portal. Until a valid key is entered for your domain, the module stays locked. This guide covers configuring and using the module.

2. Configure Page Speed Optimizer

Below the License section are the module's settings, grouped into General, Google PageSpeed Insights, Image Optimization and Code Optimization. Set these to control what the module does.

2.1 General & Google PageSpeed Insights

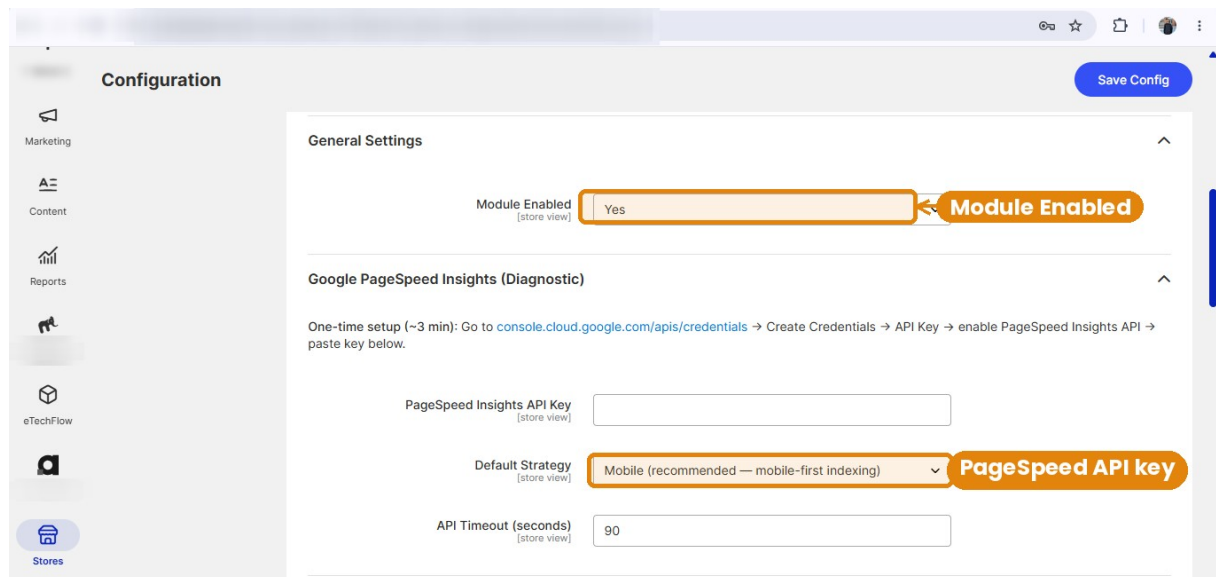


Figure 1 — General Settings (Module Enabled) and the Google PageSpeed Insights (Diagnostic) group with the API key, default strategy and timeout.

[Module Enabled] Master switch. Yes turns the module on; No leaves it dormant.

[PageSpeed Insights API Key] A free Google API key (console.cloud.google.com → Create Credentials → API Key → enable PageSpeed Insights API). Required for the Diagnose tool.

[Default Strategy] Mobile (recommended — mobile-first indexing) or Desktop — the device profile used by the Diagnose tool by default.

[API Timeout (seconds)] How long to wait for the PageSpeed API before giving up (default 90).

2.2 Image Optimization

These settings convert catalog images to WebP/AVIF and lazy-load them. Run a one-time bulk conversion with the CLI command `bin/magento etechflow:psa:optimize-images` to bulk-convert.

Image Optimization

Convert catalog images to WebP/AVIF, emit `<picture>` blocks, lazy-load below-the-fold images. Use `bin/magento etechflow:psa:optimize-images` to bulk-convert.

Enable Image Optimization [store view] Yes ← Enable + quality

WebP / AVIF Quality (1-100) [store view] 80
80 is the recommended sweet spot.

WebP Engine Priority Order [store view] cwebp,imagick,gd Engine priority order
Comma-separated. Default: cwebp,imagick,gd. First available wins.
AVIF uses its own priority: cavif,imagick,gd.

Bulk CLI batch size [store view] 200
Default 200.

Emit blocks [store view] Yes

Figure 2 — Image Optimization: Enable, WebP/AVIF quality, engine priority order, bulk batch size and Emit `<picture>` blocks.

[Enable Image Optimization] Yes turns on WebP/AVIF conversion and serving.

[WebP / AVIF Quality (1-100)] Compression quality; 80 is the recommended sweet spot between size and looks.

[WebP Engine Priority Order] Which encoders to try, in order (default cwebp, imagick, gd). The first available on your server wins.

[Bulk CLI batch size] How many images the bulk CLI processes per batch (default 200).

[Emit blocks] Yes outputs `<picture>` blocks so browsers pick WebP/AVIF with a safe fallback.

Lazy-loading [store view]	Yes
Product cache (pub/media/catalog/product/cache) [store view]	Yes
Category images (pub/media/catalog/category) [store view]	Yes
CMS / Page Builder (pub/media/wysiwyg) [store view]	No
Generate AVIF format (next-gen, ~30-50% smaller than WebP) [store view]	No
Requires caviif binary or ImageMagick/GD compiled with libavif.	
Compress source JPEG/PNG/GIF files in place [store view]	No
Requires jpegoptim / pngquant / gifsicle binaries.	
Auto-optimize newly uploaded product images [store view]	No
Observer on catalog_product_save_after. Synchronous in admin save.	
Generate responsive variants (mobile + tablet) [store view]	No
For each source: emit .mobile.webp + .tablet.webp at configured widths. <picture> emits responsive <source media> tags. Needs Imagick or GD.	
Smart optimization by viewed pages [store view]	No
Only optimize images that frontend customers actually view (vs blanket-optimizing the entire	

Image sets in scope

Figure 3 — Image Optimization scope: choose which image sets are optimized (product cache, category images, CMS/Page Builder), plus AVIF, source compression, auto-optimize on upload, responsive variants and smart “only what customers view” optimization.

Use these switches to control WHERE optimization applies (product cache, category, CMS images), whether to also generate AVIF, compress the original JPEG/PNG/GIF files, auto-optimize newly uploaded product images, emit responsive mobile/tablet variants, and only optimize images customers actually view.

2.3 Code Optimization

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Code Optimization	
Runtime HTML/CSS/JS optimizations. Test on staging first — JS defer can break themes that rely on synchronous script execution.	
HTML Minification [store view]	No
Strips whitespace, comments, line breaks. 10-20% reduction typical.	
Defer JavaScript [store view]	No
Adds defer attribute to external scripts.	
Defer Fonts Loading [store view]	No
Adds font-display: swap. Fixes FOIT, improves CLS.	
Server Push / Resource Preload [store view]	No
Sets Link: rel=preload headers.	

Code optimization toggles

Figure 4 — Code Optimization: HTML minification, defer JavaScript, defer fonts loading, and server push / resource preload.

[**HTML Minification**] Strips whitespace, comments and line breaks (10–20% smaller HTML typically).

[**Defer JavaScript**] Adds the defer attribute to external scripts so they don't block rendering.

[**Defer Fonts Loading**] Adds font-display: swap to fix invisible text (FOIT) and improve CLS.

[**Server Push / Resource Preload**] Sets Link: rel=preload headers so the browser fetches key assets earlier.

3. Using Page Speed Optimizer

Once licensed, the module adds tools under the eTechFlow admin menu. The main one is Page Speed Diagnose.

3.1 Run a Page Speed Diagnose

Open Page Speed Diagnose from the eTechFlow menu. Enter the public URL to test, pick Mobile or Desktop, and click Run diagnostic. Each run calls Google's PageSpeed Insights API and takes 15–45 seconds. The URL must be publicly reachable — localhost and .test domains will fail.

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URL to analyse

Strategy

Mobile ▼

Run diagnostic

Hits Google PageSpeed Insights API. Typically takes 15-45 seconds per run. The URL must be publicly reachable from Google's servers — localhost / .test domains will fail.

PERFORMANCE SCORE

72

FCP (LAB)
1.83s

LCP (LAB)
7.24s

TBT (LAB)
8 ms

CLS (LAB)
0.000

Performance score

mobile

Recommendations (13)

HIGH

Minify JavaScript

Estimated savings: 1.20s

ETechFlow fix: Coming in PSO v1.1 — JavaScript minification

Figure 5 — Page Speed Diagnose (Mobile): a performance score of 72 with the lab metrics (FCP, LCP, TBT, CLS) and a list of recommendations.

[**URL to analyse**] The public page address to test (defaults to your store's base URL).

[**Strategy**] Mobile or Desktop — the device profile PageSpeed scores the page against.

[**Run diagnostic**] Calls the Google PageSpeed Insights API for the URL + strategy and returns the score and recommendations.

3.2 Reading the results

A finished run shows the overall Performance Score, the key lab metrics — FCP (First Contentful Paint), LCP (Largest Contentful Paint), TBT (Total Blocking Time) and CLS (Cumulative Layout Shift) — and a numbered list of recommendations, each tagged by impact (High/Medium/Low). Where the module can help, a green “ETechFlow fix” note explains how (e.g. JavaScript minification or Critical CSS extraction). Run both Mobile and Desktop for the same URL to compare.

Page Speed Diagnose

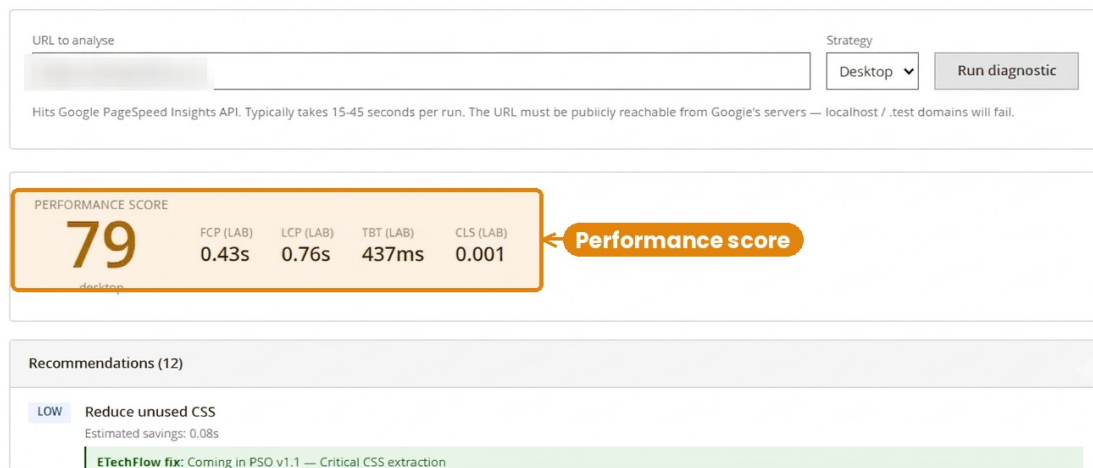


Figure 6 — Page Speed Diagnose (Desktop): the same URL scored on the desktop profile (79), for an at-a-glance comparison with the mobile run.

3.3 The optimized storefront

With Image Optimization on, catalog images are served in lighter WebP/AVIF and lazy-loaded. You can confirm it on the storefront: open your browser DevTools (F12) → Elements, and inspect a product image — it carries `loading="lazy"` and an optimized image source.

Figure 8 — The Diagnose page showing the update banner.

4. Support & Contact

For help with Page Speed Optimizer, licensing, or installation, contact eTechFlow support. We respond to licence and configuration questions and can assist with setup on request.

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