# **How Do We Fix This Mess**

Requests for comment/Do something about azwiki

stewards, I am closing this RFC, there is mild support to desysop all admins on azwiki, but from what we see it is not going to fix the problem, some of

Requests for comment/Large scale language inaccuracies on the Scots Wikipedia

to fix it. We shouldn't have to be fixing this mess because the MediaWiki platform is inherently flawed. If there was a big red nuke button for this entire

Community Wishlist Survey 2016/CodeMirror

templates. This will help editors working on paragraphs with many references, or complicated templates where it's easy to miss a curly brace and mess up the

The CodeMirror project (also known as wikitext editor syntax highlighting) aims to make it easier for contributors to edit wikitext by using colors and shade to make it easier to visually separate article text from the code for links, references and templates. This will help editors working on paragraphs with many references, or complicated templates where it's easy to miss a curly brace and mess up the template. We are using Extension:CodeMirror for this.

The syntax highlighting is available in the classic wikitext editor as a button () that appears in the toolbar. It is also available in the 2017 Wikitext editor as an option that appears in the "burger menu icon" dropdown menu.

The user can switch the highlighting on and off using that button.

This is done via a hidden preference, so if you turn it off then it will stay off, until you turn it on again. After activating for the very first time, highlighting is set to off, so you have to switch it on manually to make it work.

The feature was primarily built by volunteer developer Pastakhov; Community Tech helped him to finish the feature, and get it deployed. On the Community Tech side, Niharika and Ryan did the bulk of the work, with help from the Editing team's Ed Sanders on integration with Visual Editor's wikitext mode.

As of September 2023, Community Tech is working on upgrading to CodeMirror 6, which will bring great enhancements such as RTL support, improved performance, accessibility, and mobile support.

Stewards/Elections 2015/Coordination

translations were for 2012.. We should remove the year from this one too. But simply removing all instances of year from the text would mess up the translations

The steward elections are coordinated on #wikimedia-stewards-electionsconnect, users interested in helping out should consider joining the channel to better coordinate and receive the feed or relevant recent changes.

Requests for comment/How to improve RfC Process

councilors do Thhhommmasss (talk) 19:17, 24 May 2020 (UTC) There are many problems with the Meta RFC process but I do not think this is the way to fix them

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## Competence is required

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Wikimedia is a big place, with many editors, all with their own opinions on how to do things. It seems surprising that we are able to work together functionally, but somehow this is what usually happens.

One of the fundamental principles that facilitates this is assume good faith. It is good advice, reminding us that, when we disagree, everyone involved is (usually) trying to do what they think is best. Sure, we get people who intentionally damage Wikimedia projects as well, but they're usually quite easy to deal with. They can be blocked from editing, as needed, with little fuss and generally no controversy.

Where we often see big controversies, though, is with editors who are unintentionally and often unknowingly disruptive while trying to help. This is where we sometimes see an unintended side effect of our (generally quite useful) notion of assuming good faith. Many editors have focused so much on this tenet that they have come to believe that good faith is all that is required to be a useful contributor. Sadly, this is not the case at all. Competence is required as well. A mess created in a sincere effort to help is still a mess.

Clearly, every editor is incompetent when doing some types of edits in certain subject areas, so it is important to know or discover your limitations.

### Ask a question

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Steward requests/Global permissions/2014-06

This has to be done in a way where we don't just translate an article and leave it over at the corresponding Wiki, for someone else to fix the mess once

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lists, though. If you have to do a paragraph break or a carriage return in the middle of a list, you're going to mess up your numbering scheme. The simplest

#### How to use this page

This page includes some basic information on how to start pages, edit them and include images using MediaWiki software. You can read it all the way through, or you can use it as a reference, checking sections that seem relevant to you. It seems like a lot of text, but there are no tests, and you can come back for assistance whenever you like.

It contains some images that have been reduced to "thumbnails." To see any of these more clearly, click on the "enlarge" button - this symbol: - beneath it. (You can get an even better view of images by waiting for the image to expand and then clicking on the image itself.) You may need to use your brower's "back" button to return to this page, unless you right click and open it in a new window or tab. There is a gallery at the bottom of the page with a few more images.

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