

With the release of WeatherAholc v1.4.4, there are a few module settings/options that have changed to accommodate the new OpenWeather APIs. A number of you have been kind enough to report that the OpenWeather API you recently obtained caused WeatherAholc to generate a 401 error. With the release of v1.4.4 this error has been addressed and new code has been introduced to fix this issue. However, with any new API, there was fall-out and some features/functions had to be dropped.

The new OpenWeather API has a 'ticking clock' built into it. What this statement means is, when you first register your OpenWeather API you must wait minute(s), hour(s) and/or day(s) before it becomes active for WeatherAholc to be able to use it. Believe me, **'Not my rules!'**

As your OpenWeather API gets older (more mature), you will be able to start using the 'Older API' option and the features supported by older/mature APIs (e.g. **Forecasts**). No one knows (or is not saying) what this time-line is before a 'New API' becomes an 'Older API'

With these uncertainties I've created WeatherAholc v1.4.4 to work around these unknowns so you can start using WeatherAholc on your Joomla website again.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Enter your OpenWeather API into the 'OpenWeatherMap API key' option box. By default, the next option 'New or Old API' will be set to 'New API'. Use this default setting until your API becomes older/mature. Adjust the option 'Select what to display' to your needs (**PLEASE NOTE:** When using the New API option, the Forecast option in this dropdown will not work!).

Save your settings and if your other WeatherAholc module options are correct, you should see WeatherAholc working.

Q) How will you know when your 'New API' becomes an 'Older API'?

A) When you select Older API and WeatherAholc displays your weather feed without generating an error!

If you are a veteran to WeatherAholc but new to OpenWeather (because the Yahoo feed stopped working), you will see that the multi-day Forecast feature is not available or showing on your Joomla website. This is not a bug... it is the difference between using a New API vs. Older API. All of the demos on the GraphicAholc.com site use an Older APIs and thus the reason some are rendering the Forecast feature of WeatherAholc.

Yahoo Weather feed update:

Yahoo Weather has reactivated their weather feeds. However, they too are requiring users to obtain their API and agree to their policies. This is new for Yahoo and because of this, they really went into API Overkill... I am reading through their documentations to see how much work needs to go into applying their API into WeatherAholiC. With WeatherAholiC being a **FREE** Joomla extension, just getting it to work with OpenWeather's API was very time consuming. Taking on the Yahoo Weather feed API may require far more time than I'm willing to commit to. It's not a cop-out guys, just the cold hard reality of "time vs. reward".

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