

How to Add IncomingVideo Comments Area to Your Web Site

1. Overview

This document is intended for users who would like to insert Comment Area widget to existing web site. The instruction in this tutorial is illustrating the specific sequence of steps and changes that you would need to do if are a system administrator for the website or if you have created your website yourself. These instructions, with minor variation, would also be applicable to all generic web sites, regardless how they were created.

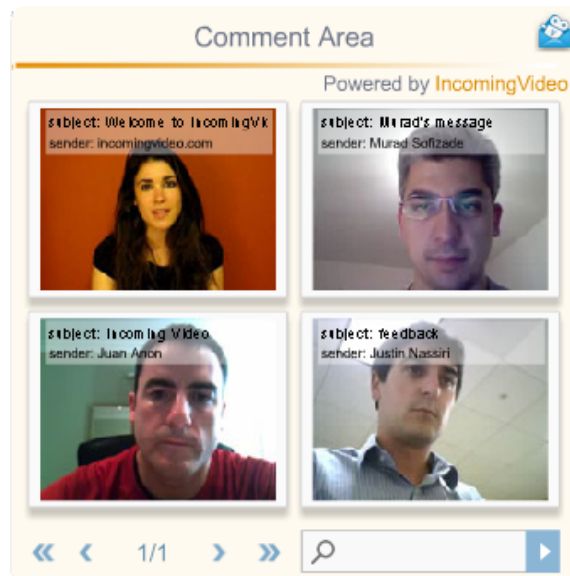


Fig. 1. IncomingVideo Comments Area.

If you are using a generic blog site, such as blogger.com or others, please refer to our “Tutorial: How to Add IncomingVideo to Your Blog” in the Support section of our website at www.IncomingVideo.com. If someone has built your web site for you, please ask them to integrate IncomingVideo Comments Area for you. It would take no longer than 5 minutes by integrating into your website the snippet of our HTML code which is generated for you in tab Widgets/Comments Area.

If you would rather we incorporate the IncomingVideo Comments Area into your site for you, please click on the button “Build IncomingVideo Comments Area for Me” on the Support page of the site. For a low fee, we will do the ingeration for you within 24 hours of your request. This might be a preferred option in situations where you are dealing with SFTP, Java, PHP, or you have never dealt with HTML code before.

To incorporate IncomingVideo Comments Area on your web site, you would need the following information to your hosting: server address login, password and ability to add or change your HTML pages.

Part 1. Copy and Paste IncomingVideo Comments Area HTML code into Your Web Page

After you sign up to IncomingVideo, log into your account. Then go to the Widgets section, and select tab “Comments Area” (refer to Fig. 3 below).

As optional Step 1, populate your Comments Area with messages, videos, etc. by dragging the messages from the left pane labeled “Public Messages” into your “Comments Area”. Here you will have some pre-recorded messages, if you are a first time user, or your message and uploaded videos from the inbox that could be posted for public view.

If you would like to customize your Comments Area window, please click on the button Customize, as Step 2 (refer to Fig. 3 below, marked in red arrow.) Please refer to Part 3 below describing in detail how to customize your Comments Area. Preview your resulting Comments Area by clicking on button “Preview” as show in Fig. 3 below as marked in green arrow.

And lastly, copy the resulting HTML code from window labeled Step 3 “Embed Code”.

The screenshot displays the IncomingVideo dashboard. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs for 'home', 'messages', 'widgets', 'subscribe', 'statistics', and 'profile'. The 'widgets' tab is active. Below the navigation bar, there are buttons for 'RECORD MESSAGE', 'UPLOAD VIDEO', and 'STATISTICS'. A search bar is also present. The main content area is divided into three steps:

- Step 1. Drag message to Comments Area:** A list of messages is shown on the left. Each message card includes a profile picture, name, subject, date, and a 'Not Published' checkbox. An arrow labeled 'Drag messages to Comment area' points from this list to the right.
- Step 2. Customize / Preview:** A 'Comment Area' preview is shown on the right. It features a grid of message cards. A red arrow points to the 'Customize' button, and a green arrow points to the 'Preview' button.
- Step 3. Embed Code:** A text area contains the HTML code for embedding the comments area on a website. The code is:

```
<script src="http://incomingvideo.com/embed/comment_area/">
  NS 8mDWRkTsk 3YjY0H8N1QIDE 1M2W6QIE 4M8Kx2TY 0nJY
  type="text/javascript"></script>
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At the bottom of the interface, there are links for 'Demo | Subscribe | Support | Contacts | Terms of Service | Privacy Policy | Report a Bug' and a copyright notice: '© 2009 Incoming Video. All rights reserved.'

Fig. 3. How to copy HTML code from IncomingVideo

Part 2. Place HTML code into your web site

Return to your web page source file and paste the HTML code, which you copied from IncomingVideo site in Part 2 above, in a place where you would like the IncomingVideo Comments Area to show on your web-page – see illustrative screenshot below. Save the changes in your HTML file and put this file onto your web server by using FTP or server administrating panel.

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<HTML>
<HEAD>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<BR>
<BR>
<BR>
<center>
<p>Test page for IncomingVideo</p>

<p>Sample of Comments Area</p>

<script src="http://incomingvideo.com/embed/comment_area/Mi9mYWwRkYzA3YjYxNDNlODE1NGMwOTE4NWExZTY0MjY5Mjc4ZjM2YWMz.js"
type="text/javascript"></script>

</center>

</BODY>
</HTML>
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Fig. 4. Pasting HTML code of IncomingVideo Comments Area.

Congratulations! Comments Area will now show up on your web site. Now any visitor to your web page can play messages that you have posted in your Comments Area widget.

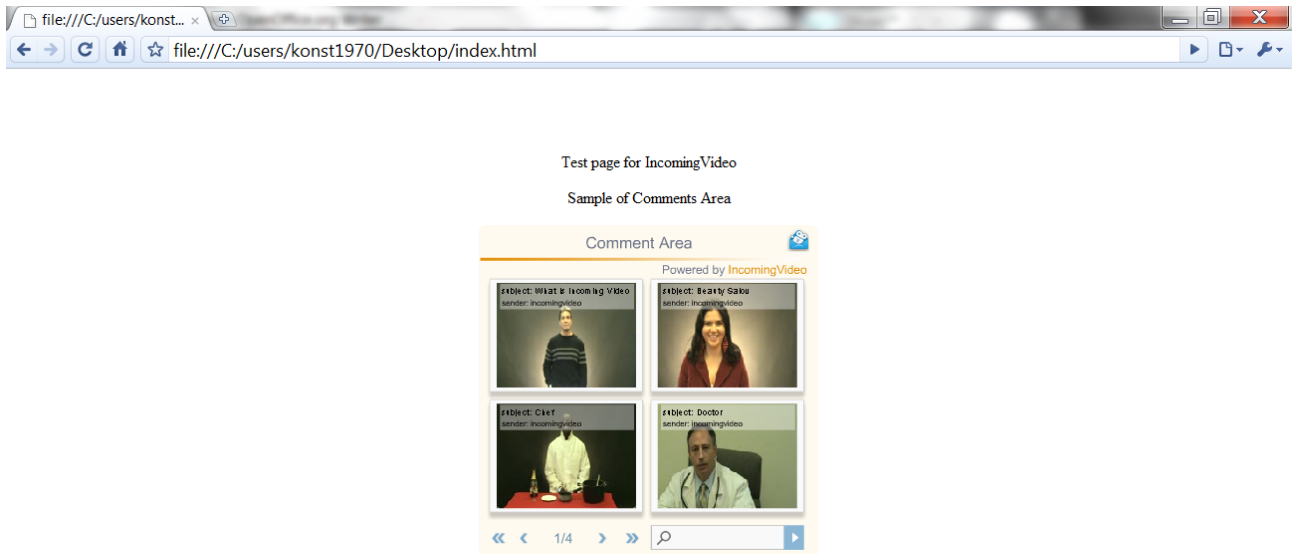


Fig. 5. Ready to use web page with IncomingVideo Comments Area.

The visitors to your web site can playback any video message in your Comments Area by simply clicking on a specific video message. Once they click on the message, a video player like the one below will appear. You can play the message by clicking on the gray triangle and press the same button (which change it appearance into “||”) to pause it. You can watch your message once more by pressing replay button “<<” or you can replay the message from beginning any time during the play back by pressing the same button. To return to Comments Area, please press the “Back” button. Please see the screenshot below.

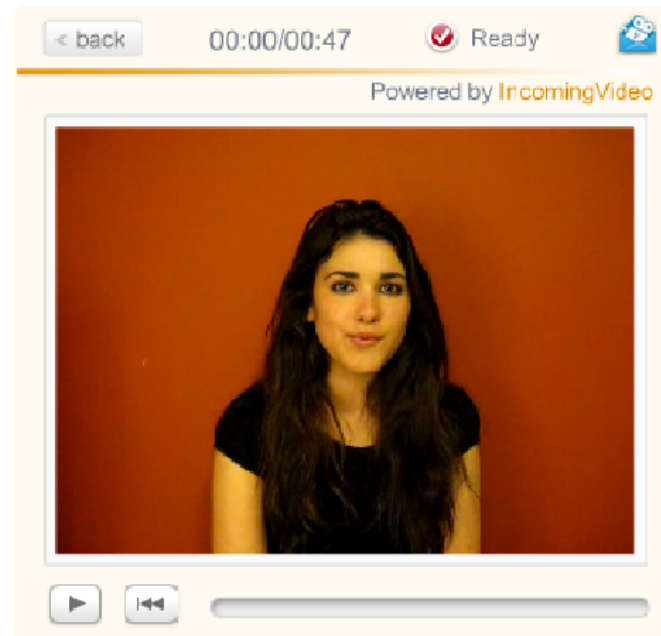


Fig. 6. Video Playback Illustration.

You have complete control as to what messages you would like to show in your Comments Area and will generate statistics as to how often your posted messages were viewed. You can populate your Comments Area window as frequently as you like by logging into IncomingVideo and going to “Widgets/Comments Area” tab and dragging messages from the left pane of the screen to the right pane. You can also populate the Comments Area from your Inbox. Once you click on the Publish button on any particular message in your Inbox, it will immediately appear in the Comments Area on your website.

Thank you! Enjoy convenience and all the fun of having IncomingVideo functionality on your website!

Part 3. How to Customize and Populate Comments Area

3.1. Use “Customize” button to selecting frame, color and text of IncomingVideo Comments Area

Once you are installing your Comments Area widget, you have many options to customize your Comments Area when you click on the “Customize” button in the “Widgets/Comment Area” tab (as shown in Fig. 3 above). You can choose the color of the text in the Comments Area and Comments Area background color by using the color picker palette – see Fig. 7 below. Here you can also change the title text for your Comments Area. Click “Apply” button to save your settings.

The screenshot displays the IncomingVideo user interface. At the top, the logo and navigation menu are visible. The 'services' tab is selected, and the 'comment area' widget is highlighted. Below the navigation, there is a search bar and a list of widgets. The 'comment area' widget is selected, and the 'IncomingVideo button' is visible. An 'Apply' button is located below the widget list.

The 'Comment Area Customization' panel is shown on the left, with the following options:

- Type in title for this area:
- Select background color:
- Select text color:

The 'Comment Area' widget is shown on the right, displaying a grid of video thumbnails. The thumbnails are titled 'Welcome to IncomingVideo', 'Ready message', 'IncomingVideo', and 'Feedback'. The widget is powered by IncomingVideo and includes a search bar and navigation controls.

At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the following text: Demo | Subscribe | Support | Contacts | Terms of Service | Privacy Policy | Report a Bug. Below the footer, there is a copyright notice: © 2009 Incoming Video. All rights reserved.

Fig. 7. Customizing IncomingVideo Comments Area.

3.2. Populating Comments Area

To populate your Comments Area with messages, please log into IncomingVideo and then to go to “Widgets/Comments Area” tab and drag messages from the left pane of the window to your Comments Area widget. You will immediately see this message in Comments Area on your web site. Please see Fig. 8 below.

The screenshot displays the IncomingVideo user interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'home', 'messages', 'widgets', 'subscribe', 'statistics', and 'profile'. The 'widgets' tab is selected. Below the navigation bar, there are buttons for 'comment area' and 'IncomingVideo button'. A search bar is also present with the placeholder text 'type search text here...'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Step 1. Drag message to Comments Area' and 'Step 2. Customize Preview'. In Step 1, a list of messages is shown, each with a thumbnail, sender information, subject, date, and a 'Not Published' checkbox. An arrow labeled 'Drag messages to Comment area' points from this list to the 'Comment Area' widget in Step 2. The 'Comment Area' widget is a 2x2 grid of placeholder images, with the top-left one containing a profile picture of a woman. Below the widget, there is a section for 'Step 3. Embed Code' which provides instructions and a code block for embedding the widget on a website. At the bottom of the interface, there are buttons for 'publish', 'unpublish', and 'move to trash'. The footer contains links for 'Demo', 'Subscribe', 'Support', 'Contacts', 'Terms of Service', 'Privacy Policy', and 'Report a Bug', along with a copyright notice for 2009 Incoming Video.

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Current Plan: professional (left: 100/1000)

home messages **widgets** subscribe statistics profile

comment area IncomingVideo button

RECORD MESSAGE UPLOAD VIDEO STATISTICS

Step 1. Drag message to Comments Area

From: romk 3
Subject: test 5
February 11, 2010 06:59 PM
Not Published

From: rom
Subject: test 1
February 11, 2010 06:42 PM
2 min 28 sec
Not Published

From: roko
Subject: text
February 11, 2010 06:08 PM
Not Published

From: ffg
Subject: test
February 10, 2010 03:20 PM

Drag messages to Comment area

Step 2. Customize Preview

Comment Area
Powered by IncomingVideo

Step 3. Embed Code

Copy and paste this code to place on your website "Comments area" where you can publish messages for public view:

```
<script src="http://incomingvideo.com/embed/comment_area/Mi9mYWRkYzA3YjY0MDE1ODk1MDEwOTk4MDEkZTY0MjY" type="text/javascript"></script>
```

+ publish unpublish move to trash

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Fig. 8. Populating Comments Area with Messages.

3.3. How to record new video into Comments Area

To record a message with your webcam, please login into IncomingVideo and go to “Message/Inbox” tab or “Widgets/Comments Area” tab. Then press “Record” button and you will see the recorder as shown below (Fig. 9). Click on “Allow” in the Adobe Flash Player Settings window to enable video recording. Use our automated “Camera set-up wizard” if necessary turn on your web camera or refer to our Help doc by clicking the link “Help with Webcam or Microphone”.

Click on the “Record” button to start recording. Click on “Stop” button to finish the recording. You can also play video after you finish recording by pressing the Play button.

Enter the rest of the information in the window. Please note that the only information that is required to submit the message are the Name and Subject fields.

Please keep in mind that here you can not only record video messages, but also audio messages, or just text messages (by typing in the Text Feedback window).

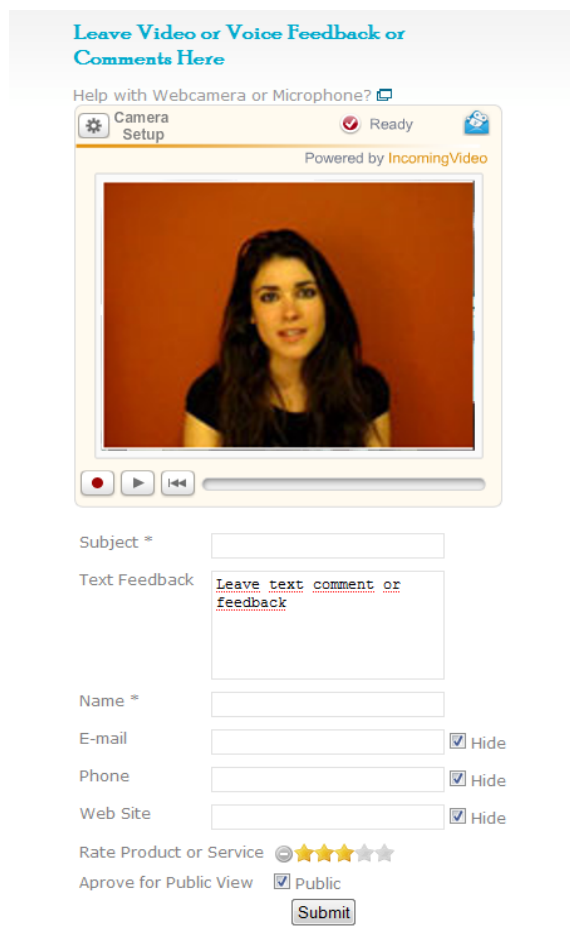


Fig. 9. Recording a Message on IncomingVideo.

Then to place it into Comments Area, find your webrecording in the left pane in the Comments Area tab and drag it to the right pane. Or find your videos in your Inbox and click on the Publish button.

3.4. How to upload Video files to Comments Area

In addition to webcam recordings, you can also post your video files in the Comments Area. To do so, please login into IncomingVideo and go to “Message/Inbox” tab or “Widgets/Comments Area” tab. Click on the “Upload Video” button and select the file to be uploaded (see Fig. 10 below.)

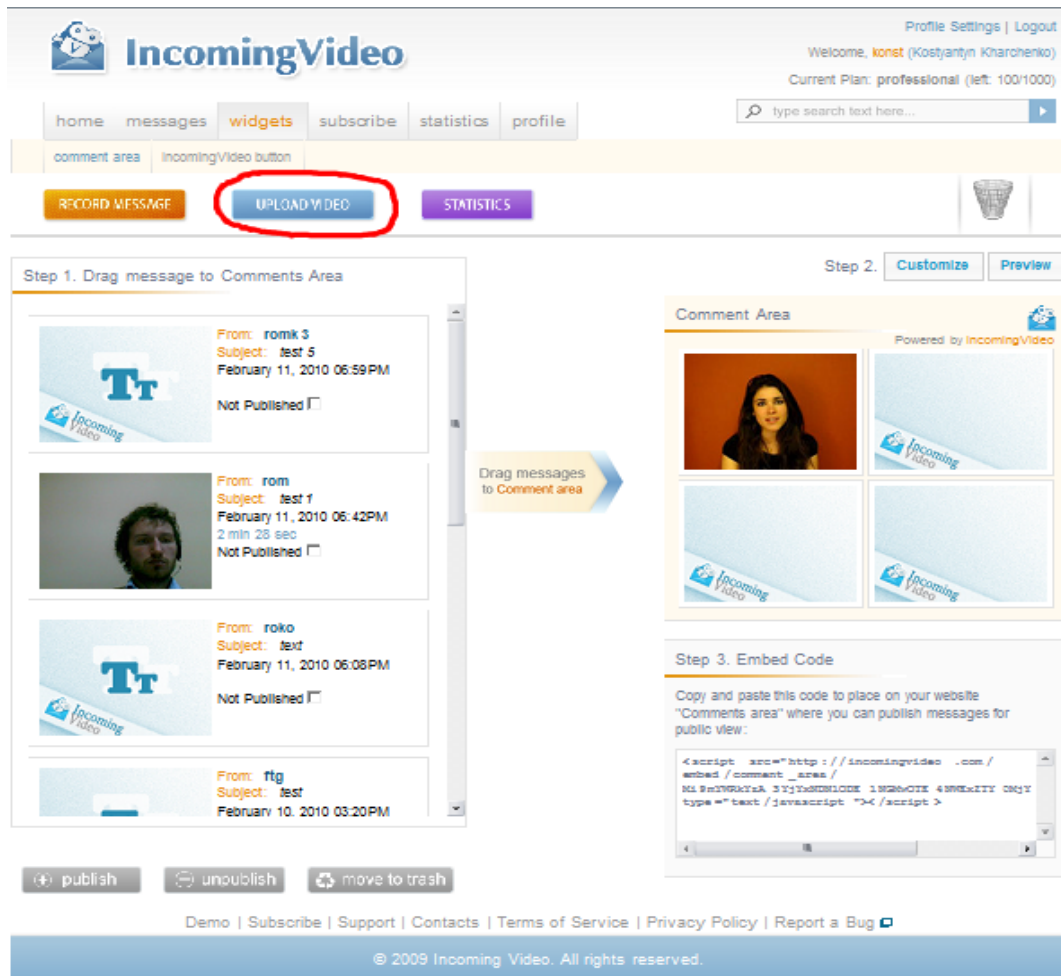
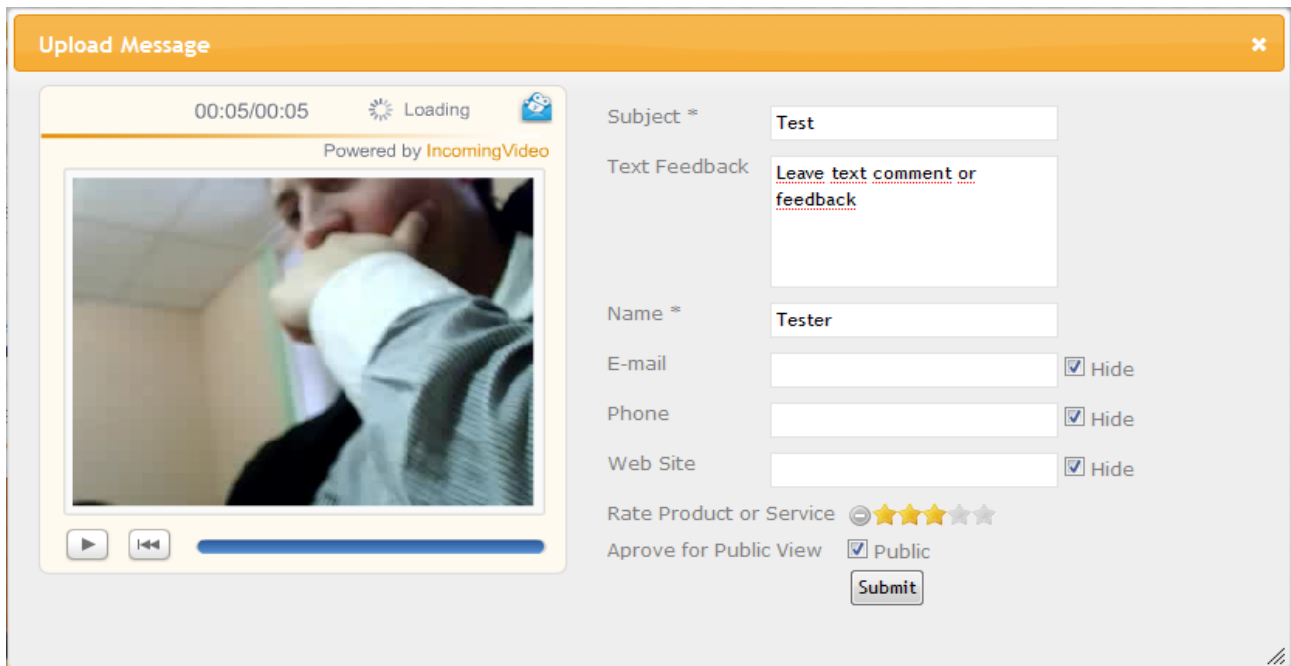


Fig. 10. Upload video files to Comments Area.

Please note that the upload functionally works with files in the format of FLV currently. If your video files are in a different format, you can easily convert them into FLV format by using a free software, for instance Any Video Converter - http://www.any-video-converter.com/products/for_video_free.

Enter the rest of the information in the pop-up window – refer to Fig. 11 below. Please note that the only information that is required to submit the message are the Name and Subject fields.

The video file will be uploaded and will show up in your mailbox. To place you videos into Comments Area, find your video in the left pane in the Comments Area tab and drag it to the right pane. Or find your video in your Inbox and click on the Publish button.



The screenshot shows a web interface for uploading a video message. On the left, a video player is embedded, showing a person in a white shirt. The video player has a progress bar and playback controls. Above the video, it says "00:05/00:05" and "Loading". Below the video, it says "Powered by IncomingVideo". On the right, there is a form with the following fields:

- Subject *:
- Text Feedback:
- Name *:
- E-mail: Hide
- Phone: Hide
- Web Site: Hide
- Rate Product or Service:
- Approve for Public View: Public
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Fig. 11. Upload video files to Comments Area.