

ChalaN – Laravel Invoice Management System

Installation Guide

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Introduction:

ChalaN – Laravel Invoice Management System is a powerful and modern web-based solution built with **Laravel**, designed to simplify the process of managing invoices, clients, and payments for businesses of all sizes.

With **ChalaN**, users can create, send, and track professional invoices within minutes. The system offers an elegant and easy-to-use dashboard for managing clients, generating PDF invoices, monitoring payments, and analyzing revenue — all in one place.

A major highlight of ChalaN is its **built-in payment system**, supporting **5+ popular payment gateways**, allowing clients to pay invoices instantly and securely online. This makes it an all-in-one solution for automating your billing and payment workflows.

The system also includes a **built-in installer**, making setup fast and effortless without any technical complexity. Whether you're a freelancer, small business, or agency, **ChalaN** offers a complete invoicing and payment experience that saves time and increases efficiency.

Minimum Requirements:

ChalaN is built with **Laravel 12** and is designed to run efficiently on modern web servers. To ensure smooth installation and optimal performance, please make sure your server meets the following requirements:

Type	Requirement	Details / Notes
Web Server	Apache / Nginx / LiteSpeed	Any modern web server supporting PHP & Laravel
PHP Version	8.3 or higher	Required for Laravel 12 compatibility
Database	MySQL 5.7+ / MariaDB	Ensure PDO extension is enabled
Composer	Required	For managing Laravel dependencies
PHP Extensions	cURL, Mbstring, OpenSSL, JSON	Must be enabled for Laravel framework
Additional Extensions	Fileinfo, Tokenizer, XML, PDO	Required for core application functions
Mail Configuration	SMTP	Needed for sending email notifications and invoices
Storage Space	Minimum 2GB	More recommended for uploads & backups
Memory Limit	512MB (Recommended 1GB)	Helps in smooth installation and PDF generation
SSL Certificate	HTTPS enabled	Required for secure payment gateways
ZIP Extension	Enabled	Used for built-in installer and update system
Mbstring	Enabled	Proper handling of multi-byte strings (important for international languages)

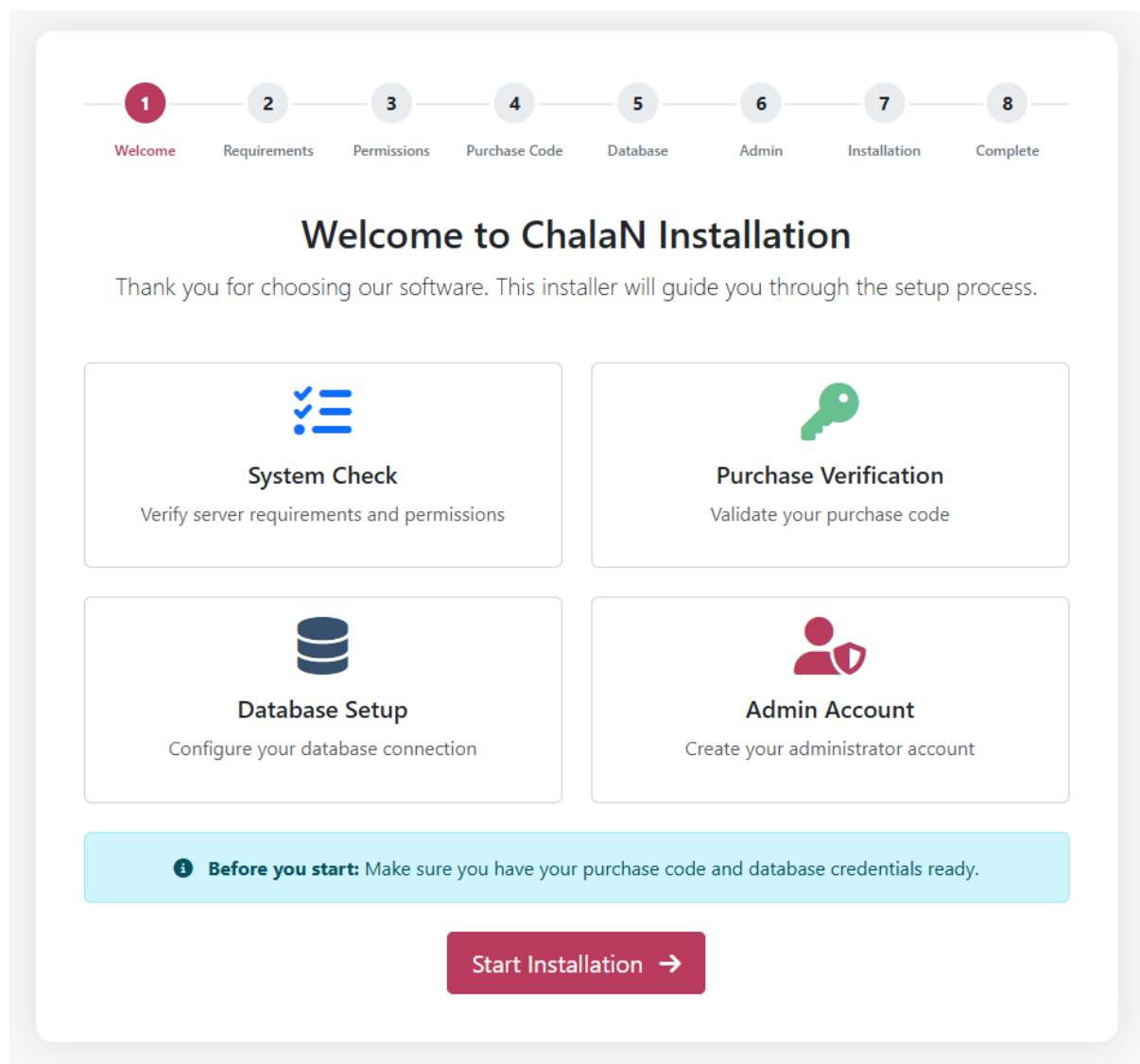
Installation Steps:

Installing **ChalaN** is easy with the **built-in installer**. The setup has **8 simple steps** that guide you through the process, so your system is ready to use quickly.

Getting Started

1. **Download** the ChalaN package from **CodeCanyon**.
2. **Upload** the files(ChalaN – Laravel Invoice management system.zip) to your hosting server or cPanel in your desired domain folder then Unzip file.
3. **Open your browser** and go to your domain. You will see the **Welcome screen** of the installer.

Tip: Follow the instructions on each screen to complete the setup. Even users with little technical experience can install ChalaN without problems.



Step 2: Requirements

The system checks your server for **PHP version, required extensions, database, and other configuration settings** to ensure compatibility with ChalaN – Laravel Invoice Management System.

Action:

Ensure that all requirements are **met or marked as passed**, then click **Continue** to proceed to the next step.

The screenshot shows a multi-step installation wizard. At the top, a progress bar contains eight steps: 1. Welcome (green checkmark), 2. Requirements (red circle with '2'), 3. Permissions (grey circle with '3'), 4. Purchase Code (grey circle with '4'), 5. Database (grey circle with '5'), 6. Admin (grey circle with '6'), 7. Installation (grey circle with '7'), and 8. Complete (grey circle with '8'). Below the progress bar, the title 'Server Requirements' is displayed. Underneath, it says 'Check if your server meets the following requirements:'. A list of ten requirements follows, each with a green checkmark icon on the left and the word 'Passed' in green text on the right. The requirements are: PHP Version >= 8.3.0, Ctype PHP Extension, JSON PHP Extension, OpenSSL PHP Extension, PDO PHP Extension, Tokenizer PHP Extension, XML PHP Extension, cURL PHP Extension, Fileinfo PHP Extension, and GD PHP Extension. At the bottom left, there is a 'Back' button with a left arrow. At the bottom right, there is a 'Continue' button with a right arrow.

Step	Label
1	Welcome
2	Requirements
3	Permissions
4	Purchase Code
5	Database
6	Admin
7	Installation
8	Complete

Server Requirements

Check if your server meets the following requirements:

✓ PHP Version >= 8.3.0	Passed
✓ Ctype PHP Extension	Passed
✓ JSON PHP Extension	Passed
✓ OpenSSL PHP Extension	Passed
✓ PDO PHP Extension	Passed
✓ Tokenizer PHP Extension	Passed
✓ XML PHP Extension	Passed
✓ cURL PHP Extension	Passed
✓ Fileinfo PHP Extension	Passed
✓ GD PHP Extension	Passed

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Step 3: Permissions

The installer checks the **folder and file permissions** required by Laravel for smooth operation, including **uploads, cache, and logs**.

Action:

Ensure that any **permission issues are corrected** (folders are writable) and then click **Continue** to proceed.

The screenshot shows the 'Folder Permissions' step in the Laravel installer. At the top, a progress bar has eight steps: Welcome, Requirements, Permissions (current), Purchase Code, Database, Admin, Installation, and Complete. The 'Permissions' step is highlighted with a red circle and the number 3. Below the progress bar, the title 'Folder Permissions' is followed by the instruction 'Check if the following folders and files have proper permissions:'. A table lists four items, each with a green checkmark icon, a URL, and permission details. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Back' with a left arrow and 'Continue' with a right arrow.

✓	URL	Required: 775 Current: 777
✓	http://localhost/chalan/storage	Required: 775 Current: 777
✓	http://localhost/chalan/cache	Required: 775 Current: 777
✓	http://localhost/chalan/.env	Required: 664 Current: 666
✓	http://localhost/chalan/uploads	Required: 775 Current: 777

Step 4: Purchase Code

Enter your **CodeCanyon purchase code** to verify your license. This step ensures that only valid users can install and use **ChalaN – Invoice Management System**.

Action:

Fill in your purchase code and click **Verify Purchase**. Once verified, you can proceed to the **Database Configuration** step.

The screenshot shows a multi-step installation process. At the top, a progress bar contains eight steps: Welcome, Requirements, Permissions, Purchase Code (current step), Database, Admin, Installation, and Complete. The 'Purchase Code' step is highlighted with a red circle and number 4. Below the progress bar, the title 'Purchase Verification' is displayed. The instructions state: 'Please enter your purchase code to verify your license.' A text input field labeled 'Purchase Code' contains the value 'ChalaN-7Jca9-sWYf8'. Below the input field, a small information icon and text note: 'You can find your purchase code in your CodeCanyon download section.' A light blue callout box titled 'Why we verify your purchase?' explains: 'Purchase verification helps us provide support and updates for your licensed copy of the software.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: a 'Back' button with a left arrow and a 'Verify Purchase' button with a checkmark.

Progress bar steps: Welcome, Requirements, Permissions, **Purchase Code**, Database, Admin, Installation, Complete

Purchase Verification

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Purchase Code

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Step 5: Database

Configure your **database connection** by providing the **host, username, password, and database name**. The installer will automatically validate the connection to ensure it is correct.

Action:

Enter the correct database details and click **Test Connection & Continue** to proceed to the next step.

The screenshot shows a multi-step installer interface. At the top, a progress bar contains eight steps: Welcome, Requirements, Permissions, Purchase Code, Database (highlighted in red), Admin, Installation, and Complete. Below the progress bar, the 'Database Configuration' section is titled. It includes a sub-instruction: 'Configure your database connection settings.' The configuration is organized into two columns. The left column contains: 'Database Connection' (MySQL), 'Database Port' (3306), and 'Database Username' (root). The right column contains: 'Database Host' (127.0.0.1), 'Database Name' (chalan), and 'Database Password' (Your database password). Below these fields is a light blue box titled 'Database Information' with the text: 'Make sure your database is created before proceeding. The installer will not create the database for you.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: a 'Back' button on the left and a 'Test Connection & Continue' button on the right.

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Welcome

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Database Configuration

Configure your database connection settings.

Database Connection

MySQL

Database Host

127.0.0.1

Database Port

3306

Database Name

chalan

Database Username

root

Database Password

Your database password

Database Information

Make sure your database is created before proceeding. The installer will not create the database for you.

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Test Connection & Continue →

Step 6: Admin

Create your **admin account** by providing your **name, email, and password**.

Note: Password must be **at least 8 characters** long.

This account will have **full access to the system** and will be used to manage invoices, clients, and settings.

Action:

Fill in all the required details, then click **Save & Continue** to proceed to the installation step.

The screenshot shows a multi-step installation process. At the top, a progress bar contains eight steps: Welcome, Requirements, Permissions, Purchase Code, Database, Admin (current step), Installation, and Complete. The 'Admin' step is highlighted with a red circle and the number 6. Below the progress bar, the title 'Admin Configuration' is followed by the instruction 'Setup your application and create an administrator account.' The form is divided into two columns. The left column, 'Application Settings', contains 'Application Name' (ChalaN) and 'Application URL' (http://localhost/chalan) with a note 'This should be your website base URL'. The right column, 'Admin Account', contains 'Admin Name' (Administrator), 'Admin Email' (admin@example.com), 'Admin Password' (masked with dots), and 'Confirm Password' (masked with dots). A yellow box with a person icon and the title 'Important Security Note' contains the text: 'Choose a strong password for your admin account and keep it safe. This account will have full access to your application.' At the bottom, there is a 'Back' button with a left arrow and a 'Save & Continue to Installation' button with a right arrow.

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Admin Configuration

Setup your application and create an administrator account.

Application Settings

Application Name

Application URL

This should be your website base URL

Admin Account

Admin Name

Admin Email

Admin Password

Confirm Password

Important Security Note

Choose a strong password for your admin account and keep it safe. This account will have full access to your application.

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Save & Continue to Installation →

Step 7: Installation

The installer runs automatically, **creating database tables, inserting default data, and configuring system settings.**

Action:

Wait for the **progress bar** to complete. Once finished, click **Installation Complete! Continue** to proceed to the final step.

Progress bar showing steps: Welcome, Requirements, Permissions, Purchase Code, Database, Admin, **Installation** (7), Complete (8).

Installation Progress

The installation process is starting. Please wait while we set up your application.

Installation completed successfully!

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Starting installation process...
[11:49:26 AM] Starting installation process...
[11:49:26 AM] Updating environment configuration...
[11:49:27 AM] Running database migrations...
[11:49:30 AM] Seeding database...
[11:49:32 AM] Creating administrator account...
[11:49:33 AM] Finalizing installation...
[11:49:33 AM] Installation completed successfully!
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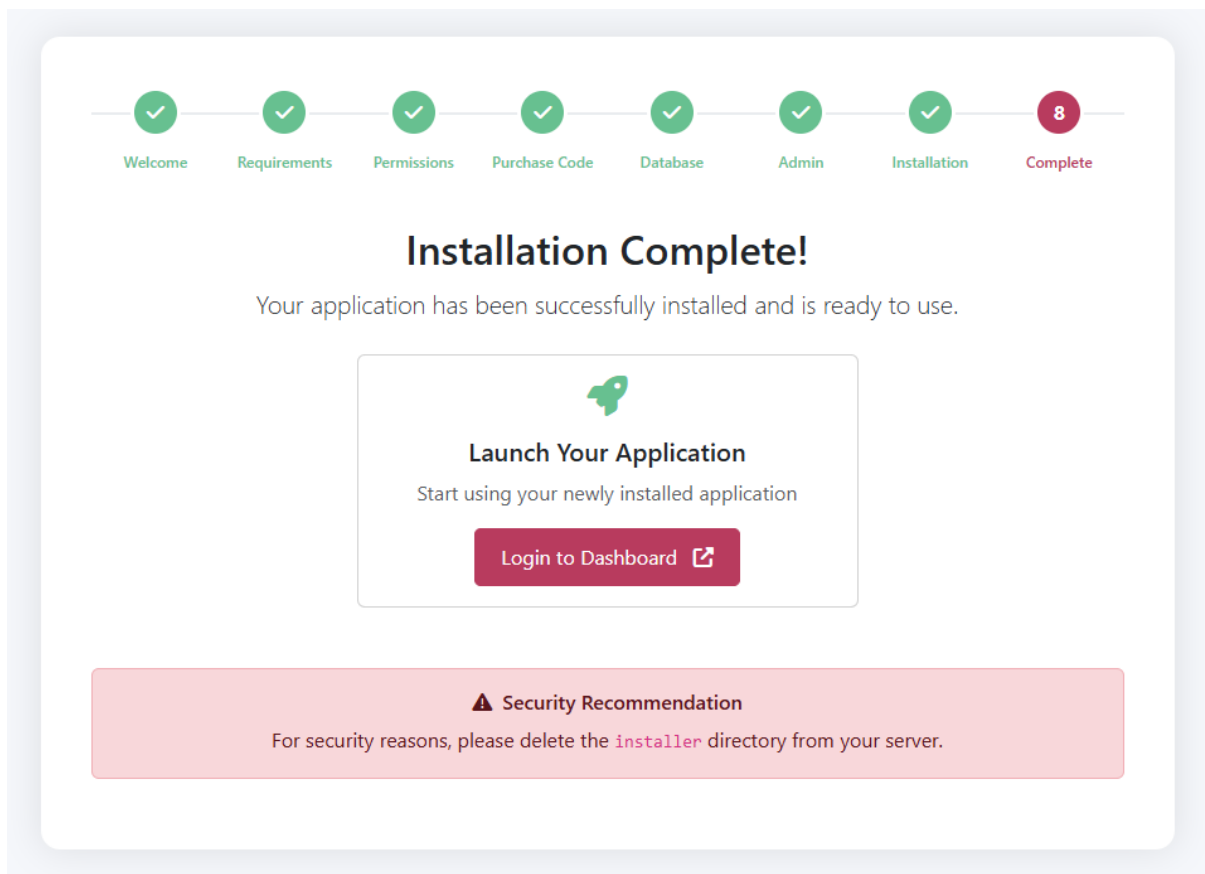
Installation Complete! Continue →

Step 8: Complete

Installation is complete! You will see a **success message** confirming that ChalaN – Laravel Invoice Management System has been installed successfully, along with a link to the **login page**.

Action:

Click **Login to Dashboard** to access your **admin dashboard** and start managing invoices, clients, and payments.



File Structure:

The **ChalaN** follows the standard **Laravel MVC structure**, keeping your application organized and easy to maintain. Here's a brief overview of the main directories:

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1 ChalaN/
2 |─ app/
3 |   |─ Console/
4 |   |─ Exceptions/
5 |   |─ Http/
6 |   |   |─ Controllers/
7 |   |   |─ Middleware/
8 |   |   |─ Requests/
9 |   |─ Models/
10 |   |─ Providers/
11 |─ bootstrap/
12 |   |─ cache/
13 |─ config/
14 |─ database/
15 |   |─ factories/
16 |   |─ migrations/
17 |   |─ seeders/
18 |─ lang/
19 |   |─ en/
20 |─ public/
21 |   |─ assets/
22 |   |─ .htaccess
23 |   |─ index.php
24 |─ resources/
25 |   |─ views/
26 |   |─ css/
27 |   |─ js/
28 |─ routes/
29 |   |─ api.php
30 |   |─ web.php
31 |─ storage/
32 |   |─ app/
33 |   |─ framework/
34 |   |─ logs/
35 |─ tests/
36 |─ vendor/
37 |─ .env
38 |─ .env.example
39 |─ .htaccess
40 |─ index.php
41 |─ artisan
42 |─ composer.json
43 |─ package.json
44 |─ README.md
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