# 5 COSTLY WEBSITE MISTAKES BUSINESS OWNERS MAKE

(And How to Fix Them)



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## Start Here

IAs the digital world is evolving, your website shouldn't just be a luxury—it should be your most powerful business asset. It's your online storefront, working 24/7 to connect you with potential customers, showcase your brand, and drive sales.

But here's the reality: many business owners unknowingly make critical website mistakes that cost them traffic, leads, and revenue. These issues can frustrate visitors, lower your search rankings, and make it harder for your business to grow.

That's why I've put together this quick guide—to reveal the five most common website mistakes and give you simple, actionable fixes to turn your site into a high-performing marketing machine.

Let's dive in!





### Mistake 1: Your Website Isn't Mobile-Friendly

#### Why It's a Problem

With over half of all web traffic coming from mobile devices, an outdated, non-mobile-friendly website is driving away potential customers. Even worse, Google ranks mobile-friendly sites higher, meaning your business could be buried in search results.

#### How To Fix It

- ✓ Use responsive design so your site adapts to any screen size.
  We call it responsive design.
- ✓ Test your site on different devices (smartphones, tablets, laptops). There are free tools to use for this.

Use Google's Mobile-Friendly Test to check and improve your ✓ site's mobile experience.



# Mistake 2: Poor Search Engine Optimization (SEO)

#### Why It's a Problem

If your site isn't optimized for search engines, customers searching for your services won't find you. Poor SEO means lower rankings, fewer visitors, and lost sales opportunities.



- Keyword Research Identify what your audience is searching for using tools like Google Keyword Planner and use them on your website.
- ✓ On-Page SEO Optimize titles, headings, images, and content with relevant keywords.
- Off-Page SEO Build high-quality backlinks to increase your site's authority.



## Mistake 3: Ignoring Customer Reviews

#### Why It's a Problem

92% of consumers read online reviews before making a purchase. Ignoring or failing to encourage reviews hurts your credibility and could drive customers to your competitors.



- ✓ Monitor review sites (Google, Yelp, Trustpilot, etc.).
- Respond to all reviews—thank customers and professionally address concerns.
- Encourage reviews by making it easy for happy customers to leave feedback.





# Mistake 4: Not Using Social Media Effectively

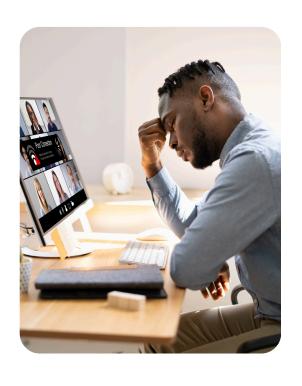
#### Why It's a Problem

Your website and social media should work together. If you're not leveraging social media, you're missing out on free exposure, brand engagement, and valuable traffic to your site.

- Choose the right platforms based on your audience (e.g., LinkedIn for B2B, Instagram for visual brands).
- ✓ Post engaging content—share blog posts, updates, behind-thescenes insights, and promotions.
  - ✓ Run targeted ads to reach new potential customers and drive website traffic.



## Mistake 5: Neglecting Website Maintenance



#### Why It's a Problem

A poorly maintained website can lead to slow loading times, security vulnerabilities, and outdated content—all of which harm your user experience and search rankings.

- ✓ Update your website regularly—refresh content and keep software/plugins up to date.
- ✓ Check for broken links to avoid frustrating users.
- ✓ Back up your site frequently to protect against data loss.

## Final Thoughts: Fix Your Website Mistakes

Your website should be a revenue-generating machine, not a digital liability. By fixing these common mistakes, you can create a high-performing, customer-friendly site that ranks higher, converts better, and helps grow your business.

But don't stop here—SEO, design, and digital marketing are ongoing processes. To truly maximize your website's potential, you need expert guidance and a solid strategy.

If you're struggling with any of these issues or want to turn your website into a powerful lead-generation tool, I can help!

- I specialize in website design, SEO, and digital marketing, helping business owners like you create sites that not only look great but also drive traffic, leads, and sales.
- Sook a FREE consultation today to discuss how I can help optimize your website and take your online presence to the next level.

I look forward to helping you grow your business! 🖋

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