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# 1. INTRODUCTION

LimeSurvey (<http://www.limesurvey.org/>) is an open source web-based software to create online surveys. Here is an example:

**Example survey for EUnetHTA manual**

This describes the survey here. This will be shown in the list of publicly available surveys.

0%  100%

**First question group**  
Describe the group here.

**Patients with early glottic cancer may be treated either by external beam radiotherapy or conservation surgery.**  
Choose one of the following answers

Yes  
 Maybe  
 No  
 No answer

**\*Please select your choice(s)**  
Check any that apply

Monday 10:00  
 Monday 14:00  
 Tuesday 12:00  
 Friday 18:00

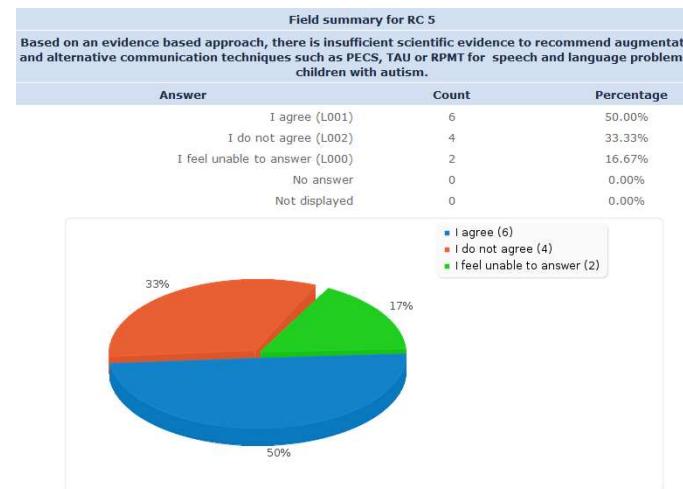
**Please rank your preferences**  
Double-click or drag-and-drop items in the left list to move them to the right - your highest ranking item should be on the top right, moving through to your lowest ranking item.

Your choices	Your ranking
Monday morning	Friday end of afternoon
	Monday afternoon

**Submit**

[Resume later](#) [Exit and clear survey](#)

LimeSurvey also has basic tools to analyse the responses:



For advanced data analysis, it is better to export the results to a specific software like R, SPSS, SAS or a spreadsheet software (e.g. LibreOffice or MS Excel).

This manual explains the basics to create and manage a survey. The official online documentation is available at <http://manual.limesurvey.org/>.

## 2. LIMESURVEY BASICS

### 2.1. Login

As a LimeSurvey user, you need a login and a password to access the interface. Any browser should fit, but as some users had problems while pasting some text from MS Word, we recommend using Firefox.

Go to <https://survey.kce.be/admin> (for KCE) you should get the following screen:

The image shows the LimeSurvey login page. At the top is the LimeSurvey logo and the word "Administration". Below it is the "Log in" section. It contains three input fields: "Username" with the value "LAK" (marked with red circle 1), "Password" with several dots (marked with red circle 2), and "Language" set to "Default" (marked with red circle 3). At the bottom are two buttons: "Log in" (marked with red circle 4) and a link "Forgot your password?" (marked with red circle 5).

1. Enter your username
2. Enter your password
3. If you wish, choose your language (the Default language is English)
4. Click on the "Login" button

If you forgot your password:

5. Click on the "Forgot your password?" link
6. (not shown) Fill in the form with your username and email address and click on the "Check data" button; you will receive a new password by email. In case of problem, please contact CAD or PAC.

Once you are logged in, here is what you should see:

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey admin interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Tutorials, Configuration, Surveys, Active surveys (with a red badge '4'), and a user account dropdown labeled 'LAK' (with a red badge '2'). Below the navigation bar is the LimeSurvey logo. A message says, "This is the LimeSurvey admin interface. Start to build your survey from here." In the center, there is a green button labeled "List surveys" and a white box with a green icon representing surveys. Below this is a link "List available surveys". At the bottom right, there is a "Like it? Donate to LimeSurvey" button and text indicating the version: "LimeSurvey Version 3.15.0+181008" (with a red badge '3').

1. The server you are on (it could be KCE or your local LimeSurvey if you have one)
2. your ID with a link to edit your preferences
3. LimeSurvey version (if you encounter a problem and need external help, it is a good idea to mention the version)
4. Logout button to close your LimeSurvey session
5. (Not shown) Default administration page ("home")

## Workflow

Here are the steps to get a survey running and analyse the results:

- Create a survey
- Add question groups
- Add questions in the question groups
- Test your survey  
    Yourself / Then with a test group

- Update your survey according to collected feedback
- Activate your survey
- Invite respondents to participate
- Optional: send reminder(s)
- Close your survey
- Basic results analysis with LimeSurvey
- Export your results
- Thorough analysis with another software

### 3. CREATE OR IMPORT/COPY SURVEYS

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey admin interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Tutorials, Configuration, Surveys (which is currently selected), Active surveys (with a count of 4), LAK, and a notification bell. A red circle with the number '2' is on the notification bell. A dropdown menu under 'Surveys' is open, showing options: Create a new survey (selected), Import a survey, Copy a survey, and List surveys. Another red circle with the number '3' is on this dropdown menu. The main area displays the LimeSurvey logo and a message: "This is the LimeSurvey admin interface. Start to build your survey from here." Below this is a message about the last visited survey: "Last visited survey: test LAK (ID:271299)". A central box titled "List surveys" shows a list with one item, indicated by a red circle with the number '1'. The box also has a "List available surveys" link at the bottom. At the bottom of the page, there's a "Like it? Donate to LimeSurvey" button and the text "LimeSurvey Version 3.15.0+181008".

1. Choose an existing survey -
2. See a list of active surveys
3. Create a new survey

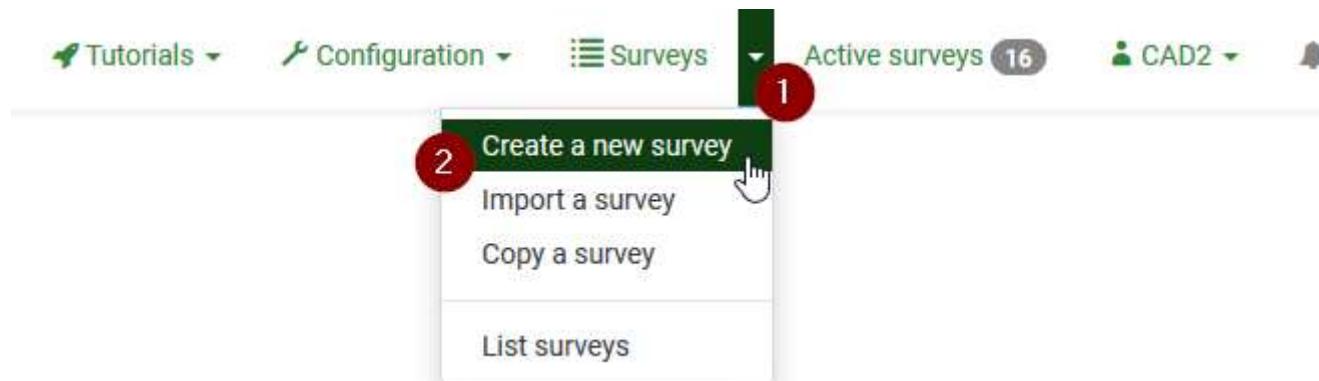
Each survey has a status:

- inactive : the survey is not yet open (design phase)
- active: the survey is open, respondents can fill in the survey
- expired: the survey is closed, responses have been collected



You can create a new survey, import or copy an existing survey.

### 3.1. Create a survey



1. Click on the menu arrow in menu bar at the top of the screen
2. Click on "Create a new survey"

#### 3.1.1. *Text elements*

1. You are on the "Text elements" tab of the "Create" tab to add a new survey

## Create, import, or copy survey

[Create](#) [Import](#) [Copy](#)

1

[Text elements](#)[General settings](#)[Presentation & navigation](#)[Publication & access control](#)[Notification & data management](#)[Participant settings](#)

Survey title:

2

Base language:

3

Description:

4

Welcome message:

5

Create example question group and question?

End URL:

http://

6

URL description:

7

Date format:

dd.mm.yyyy

Decimal mark:

 Dot (.)  Comma (,)

End message:

8

2. Choose a title (in the base language)
3. Choose the main language (you can add extra languages afterwards)
4. Type a short description of the survey (this will appear in the list of public surveys available)
5. Write the welcome message for the respondents
6. If you want to propose a link at the end of the survey, enter the URL
7. If you want to propose a link at the end of the survey, enter the text of the link
8. Type an end message
9. Optional: if you don't want to check/modify the other settings, click on the "Save" button

### 3.1.2. General settings

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey configuration interface for a survey titled "KCE Survey". The "General settings" tab is selected. The page includes fields for Survey owner (LAK - Laurence Kohn), Administrator (Laurence Kohn), Admin email (laurence.kohn@kce.fgov.be), Bounce email (laurence.kohn@kce.fgov.be), and Fax to (5). On the right, there are sections for Group (Default), Format (Question by question), and Template (extends\_fruity). A preview window on the right displays the LimeSurvey logo and the title "Monochrome Template". The top navigation bar includes links for Tutorials, Configuration, Surveys, Active surveys, LAK, Save, and Close.

Annotations:

1. General settings tab
2. Survey owner field
3. Administrator field
4. Admin email field
5. Bounce email field
6. Format dropdown
7. Template dropdown
8. Save button



1. Click on the “General settings” tab
2. You are identified as owner of the survey
3. Enter the name of the contact person for the survey (in case of problem)
4. Enter the email address for the contact person and for the bounce email (if invitations are sent by LimeSurvey and some invitations don’t go through, notice will be sent to the bounce email address, so that this person can correct or remove the email addresses that bounce). If you do not want to use your personal KCE email, please contact CAD to use the [kce\\_enquete@kce.fgov.be](mailto:kce_enquete@kce.fgov.be) mailbox.
5. Fill in the fax number (this is only useful for printed surveys, so they get the fax number to send the filled in paper survey)
6. Choose how questions will be displayed: you can choose to have all your questions on one page, one page per question or one page per group (the default)
7. Choose the template of the survey – For KCE logo use “fruity”
8. Optional: if you don’t want to check/modify the other settings, click on the “Save” button

### 3.1.3. Presentation and navigation

Here are the main options for these settings:

KCE Survey

Create, import, or copy survey

Create Import Copy

< Text elements General settings **Presentation & navigation** Publication & access control Notification & data management Participant settings >

Navigation delay (seconds): 0

Show question index / allow jumping:  Disabled  Incremental  Full

Show group name and/or group description:  Show both **2**

Show question number and/or code:  Hide both **3**

Show "No answer":  On (Focused by the system administrator)

Show "There are X questions in this survey":  On **4**

Show welcome screen:  On

Allow backward navigation:  off **5**

Show on-screen keyboard:  Off

Show progress bar:  On **6**

Participants may print answers:  off **7**

Public statistics:  off

Show graphs in public statistics:  off

Automatically load URL when survey complete:  off

Save Close **8**

1. Click on the “Presentation & navigation” tab
2. You can show or hide the group name and description
3. Do the question number and question code have to be displayed to the respondent?
4. At the beginning of the survey, do you want the respondent to know how many questions s/he has to answer?
5. “Show [< < Prev] button” allows the respondent to go back to the previous question to change his/her answer?
6. Do you want the respondent to see his/her progression in the survey?
7. Do you allow participant to print the questionnaire once it is submitted?
8. Optional: if you don't want to check/modify the other settings, click on the “Save” button



### 3.1.4. Publication & access control

The screenshot shows the 'Publication & access control' tab selected in a survey configuration interface. The page includes fields for start and expiry dates, and various security and accessibility options like public listing, cookie usage, and CAPTCHA. A red numbered circle highlights each key element: 1. The 'Publication & access control' tab itself. 2. The 'Start date/time' input field. 3. The 'Expiry date/time' input field. 4. The 'List survey publicly' checkbox. 5. The 'Set cookie to prevent repeated participation' checkbox. 6. The 'Save' button in the top right corner.

1. Click on the “Publication & access control” tab
2. Start date
3. Expiry date: by setting the expiry date, you choose one way to close the survey
4. Do you want the survey to appear on the public survey list (e.g. <http://www.eunethta.be/limesurvey/>) so that anybody can complete the survey?
5. Set cookie will prevent a respondent to answer an anonymous survey (no access code has to be provided to answer) multiple times with the same browser
6. Optional: if you don't want to check/modify the other settings, click on the “Save” button

### 3.1.5. Notification & data management

The screenshot shows the 'Create, import, or copy survey' interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Text elements', 'General settings', 'Presentation & navigation', 'Publication & access control', 'Notification & data management' (which is highlighted with a red circle labeled 1), and 'Participant settings'. Below these are several settings groups with checkboxes:

- Date stamp: Off (red circle 2)
- Save IP address: Off (red circle 3)
- Save referrer URL: Off (red circle 4)
- Save timings: Off (red circle 5)
- Enable assessment mode: Off (red circle 6)
- Participant may save and resume later: On (green circle 6)
- Send basic admin notification email to: [empty input field]
- Send detailed admin notification email to: [empty input field]
- Google Analytics settings: None, Use settings below, Use global settings

At the bottom right are 'Save' and 'Close' buttons.

1. Click on the “Notification & data management” tab
2. Date stamp: record the date and time when the respondent submits the survey
3. Save IP address: record the IP address (computer network address)
4. Save referrer URL: record the page from where the link was clicked to go to the survey
5. Save timings: record how long it took for the respondent to answer for each question; this can be useful if you test your survey with some colleagues to make sure it does not take too long to complete (if your survey takes too long to complete, you might have a lot of uncompleted responses as people drop out)
6. Participant may resume later: for long surveys, the user might be allowed to stop and get a code by email to resume later (you don't need to activate this if you use tokens)
7. Optional: if you don't want to check/modify the other settings, click on the “Save” button

### 3.1.6. Participants' settings

KCE Survey

Tutorials Configuration Surveys Active surveys LAK

Create, import, or copy survey

Create Import Copy

Text elements General settings Presentation & navigation Publication & access control Notification & data management Participant settings

Set token length to: 15

Anonymized responses: Off

Enable token-based response persistence: Off

Allow multiple responses or update responses with one token: Off

Allow public registration: Off

Use HTML format for token emails: On

Send confirmation emails: On

Save Close 5

1. Click on the “Participant settings” tag
2. Choose whether you want anonymized responses (default = off) and whether you want to enable token-based response persistence (to avoid a respondent to answer twice to the survey as long as he-she doesn’t delete the cookies or uses another browser, default = off)
3. Allow multiple responses or update responses with one token (default = off) and allow public registration (if you allow new respondents which do not appear in the token table, default = off)
4. Use HTML format for token emails (default = yes) and send a confirmation email when the survey has been completed (default = yes)
5. Save the settings (if you have not done it yet, you must do it now).

### 3.1.7. Additional languages

Once you have saved your survey, you can add additional languages in the General settings:

The screenshot shows the SurveyToGo software interface. On the left, a sidebar titled 'Survey settings' has a 'Settings' tab highlighted with a red circle containing the number 1. Below it is a list of options: 'Overview', 'General settings' (highlighted with a red circle containing the number 2), 'Text elements', 'Data policy settings', and 'Theme options'. In the main content area, there's a header with buttons: 'Activate this survey', 'Preview survey', 'Tools', 'Display/Export', 'Survey participants', and 'Responses'. A 'Save' button is also present. The main section is titled 'General survey settings'. It shows 'Base language: English' and 'Additional languages: Dutch, French' (with a red circle containing the number 3). It also includes 'Group:' dropdown set to 'Default' and 'Format:' buttons for 'Question by question' and 'Group by group'.

1. Click on “Settings”
2. Click on “General settings”
3. Select the language(s) you want to add
4. Click on the “Save” button



### 3.1.8. Data policy settings

Since the GDPR is enforced, it is strongly recommended to add a data policy text if your survey is filled in by external persons.

The screenshot shows the SurveyGizmo interface with the 'Settings' tab selected in the top navigation bar. The left sidebar contains sections for Survey settings (Overview, General settings, Text elements), Survey menu (List questions, List question groups, Reorder questions/question groups, Survey participants, Quotas, Assessments, Survey permissions), and a Data policy settings section (1) which is highlighted with a red circle. The main content area is titled 'Data policy settings'. It includes a section for 'Show survey policy text with mandatory checkbox' (2) with options: 'Don't show', 'Inline text' (selected and highlighted with a red circle), and 'Collapsible text'. Below this is a language selection dropdown showing 'French (Base language)' (3) and 'Dutch'. A 'Survey data policy checkbox label' field contains the text: 'Pour continuer, veuillez d'abord accepter la politique de confidentialité des données.' To the right, a note states: 'If you want to specify a link to the survey data policy please use the placeholders {STARTPOLICYLINK} and {ENDPOLICYLINK} to define the link that opens the popup. If there is no placeholder given, there will be an appendix.' Below are two rich text editors for 'Survey data policy message' (5) and 'Survey data policy error message'. The message editor contains the following text:

1. Confidentialité des données (4)

Vos données seront traitées conformément à la loi belge du 30 juillet 2018 sur la protection des personnes physiques relative au traitement des données à caractère personnel et conformément au règlement (UE) 2016/679 du 27 avril 2016, qui est entré en vigueur le 25 mai 2018, sur la protection des personnes physiques relative au traitement des données à caractère personnel et à la libre circulation de ces données.

Vous avez le droit de demander au KCE l'accès à vos données personnelles, de les rectifier,

body

1. In the survey settings, click on “Data policy settings”
2. Click on “Inline text” to make sure that the text is read by the respondent before starting the survey
3. Select the language (you need to add text for each language)
4. Add the text
5. Alternatively, you can click on “Source” to paste the HTML code for the text
6. When done, click on the “Save” button (6)



### 3.1.8.1. French policy text

Survey data policy checkbox label:

*“Pour continuer, veuillez d’abord accepter la politique de confidentialité des données.”*

Survey data policy message:

#### *« 1. Confidentialité des données*

*Vos données seront traitées conformément à la loi belge du 30 juillet 2018 sur la protection des personnes physiques relative au traitement des données à caractère personnel et conformément au règlement (UE) 2016/679 du 27 avril 2016, qui est entré en vigueur le 25 mai 2018, sur la protection des personnes physiques relative au traitement des données à caractère personnel et à la libre circulation de ces données.*

*Vous avez le droit de demander au KCE l'accès à vos données personnelles, de les rectifier, de les supprimer, de les transférer, d'en limiter le traitement et de vous opposer à leur traitement. Pour cela, il vous suffit de contacter le KCE, responsable de leur traitement, par mail ou par voie postale à l'adresse Boulevard du Jardin Botanique 55, 1000 Bruxelles. Si vous avez des questions ou des commentaires sur le traitement de vos données, vous pouvez contacter par mail le responsable de la protection des données du KCE. Il pourra, si nécessaire, vous fournir davantage d'informations sur la protection de vos données personnelles.*

*Si cela ne semble pas suffisant, vous pouvez adresser une réclamation concernant le traitement de vos données à l'autorité belge de surveillance chargée de l'application de la législation en matière de protection des données (APD), Rue de la Presse 35, 1000 Bruxelles, ou par mail.*

#### *2. Période de conservation*

*Les données sont sauvegardées pendant une période de deux ans après la publication du rapport.*

#### *3. Finalité du traitement*

*Cette enquête vise à XXXXX.*

#### *4. Déclaration de consentement*

*Je déclare par la présente avoir été informé par écrit de la nature, de la méthode et du but de cette étude, de manière compréhensible pour moi.*



*J'accepte de participer à des recherches scientifiques.*

*Je comprends que je peux me retirer à tout moment de ce projet jusqu'au moment où les données seront stockées dans la base de données, et ce sans avoir à faire de déclaration et sans que cela ait de conséquences pour moi.*

*Je comprends que mes données sont collectées et enregistrées de manière confidentielle et que l'enquêteur principal garantit leur confidentialité. »*

In HTML format :

<p>1. Confidentialité des données</p>

<p>Vos données seront traitées conformément à la loi belge du 30 juillet 2018 sur la protection des personnes physiques relative au traitement des données à caractère personnel et conformément au règlement (UE) 2016/679 du 27 avril 2016, qui est entré en vigueur le 25 mai 2018, sur la protection des personnes physiques relative au traitement des données à caractère personnel et à la libre circulation de ces données.</p>

<p>Vous avez le droit de demander au KCE l'accès à vos données personnelles, de les rectifier, de les supprimer, de les transférer, d'en limiter le traitement et de vous opposer à leur traitement. Pour cela, il vous suffit de contacter le KCE, responsable de leur traitement, <a href="mailto:info@kce.fgov.be">par mail</a> ou par voie postale à l'adresse Boulevard du Jardin Botanique 55, 1000 Bruxelles. Si vous avez des questions ou des commentaires sur le traitement de vos données, vous pouvez contacter <a href="mailto:kce\_dpo@kce.fgov.be">par mail</a> le responsable de la protection des données du KCE. Il pourra, si nécessaire, vous fournir davantage d'informations sur la protection de vos données personnelles.</p>

<p>Si cela ne semble pas suffisant, vous pouvez adresser une réclamation concernant le traitement de vos données à l'autorité belge de surveillance chargée de l'application de <a href="https://www.autoriteprotectiondonnees.be/" rel="noreferrer noopener" target="\_blank">la législation en matière de protection des données (APD)</a>, Rue de la Presse 35, 1000 Bruxelles, ou <a href="mailto:contact@apd-gba.be">par mail</a>.</p>

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<ul>

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<li>J'accepte de participer à des recherches scientifiques.</li>



<li>Je comprends que je peux me retirer à tout moment de ce projet jusqu'au moment où les données seront stockées dans la base de données, et ce sans avoir à faire de déclaration et sans que cela ait de conséquences pour moi.</li>

</ul>

<p>Je comprends que mes données sont collectées et enregistrées de manière confidentielle et que l'enquêteur principal garantit leur confidentialité.</p>

### 3.1.8.2. Dutch policy text

Survey data policy checkbox label:

*“Gelieve akkoord te gaan met het privacybeleid inzake gegevens om verder te gaan.”*

Survey data policy message:

#### *“1. Vertrouwelijkheid van de gegevens*

*Uw gegevens worden verwerkt in overeenstemming met de Belgische wet van 30 juli 2018 betreffende de bescherming van natuurlijke personen met betrekking tot de verwerking van persoonsgegevens en de Verordening (EU) 2016/679 van 27 april 2016, die op 25 mei 2018 in werking trad, betreffende de bescherming van natuurlijke personen in verband met de verwerking van persoonsgegevens en betreffende het vrije verkeer van die gegevens.*

*U hebt het recht het KCE te verzoeken uw persoonsgegevens in te zien, te rectificeren, te verwijderen, over te dragen, de verwerking te beperken en tegen de verwerking bezwaar te maken. Hiervoor kan u eenvoudig contact opnemen met het KCE als verwerkingsverantwoordelijke via [e-mail](#) of via brief naar KCE, Kruidtuinlaan 55, 1000 Brussel.*

*Mocht u vragen of opmerkingen hebben over de verwerking van uw gegevens, kan u steeds contact met ons opnemen. De KCE Gegevensbeschermingsfunctionaris kan u desgewenst meer informatie verschaffen over de bescherming van uw persoonsgegevens. U kan hem contacteren via [e-mail](#).*

*Als dit niet voldoende zou blijken kan u een klacht indienen over hoe uw informatie wordt behandeld, bij de Belgische toezichthoudende instantie die verantwoordelijk is voor het handhaven van de wetgeving inzake gegevensbescherming: [Gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit \(GBA\)](#), Drukpersstraat 35, 1000 Brussel, of via [e-mail](#).*

#### *2. Bewaartijd*



*De gegevens worden twee jaar na publicatie van het rapport bewaard.*

### *3. Verwerkingsdoel*

*Deze bevraging wil inzicht krijgen in XXXX.*

### *4. Toestemmingsverklaring*

- *Ik verklaar hierbij op een voor mij begrijpelijke wijze schriftelijk te zijn ingelicht over de aard, de methode en het doel van deze studie.*
- *Ik stem erin toe deel te nemen aan het wetenschappelijk onderzoek.*
- *Ik begrijp dat ik mij op elk moment kan terugtrekken tot op het ogenblik dat de gegevens in de database worden bewaard zonder hiervoor een verklaring te hoeven afleggen en zonder dat dit op enigerlei wijze gevolg zal hebben voor mij.*

*Ik begrijp dat mijn gegevens vertrouwelijk worden ingezameld en geregistreerd, en dat de hoofdonderzoeker hun vertrouwelijkheid garandeert.”*

In HTML:

<p>1. Vertrouwelijkheid van de gegevens</p>

<p>Uw gegevens worden verwerkt in overeenstemming met de Belgische wet van 30 juli 2018 betreffende de bescherming van natuurlijke personen met betrekking tot de verwerking van persoonsgegevens en de Verordening (EU) 2016/679 van 27 april 2016, die op 25 mei 2018 in werking trad, betreffende de bescherming van natuurlijke personen in verband met de verwerking van persoonsgegevens en betreffende het vrije verkeer van die gegevens.</p>

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<p>Als dit niet voldoende zou blijken kan u een klacht indienen over hoe uw informatie wordt behandeld, bij de Belgische toezichthoudende instantie die verantwoordelijk is voor het handhaven van de wetgeving inzake gegevensbescherming: <a href="http://www.gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit.be" rel="noreferrer noopener" target="\_blank">Gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit (GBA)</a>, Drukpersstraat 35, 1000 Brussel, of via <a href="mailto:contact@apd-gba.be">e-mail</a>.</p>

<p>2. Bewaartijd</p>

<p>De gegevens worden twee jaar na publicatie van het rapport bewaard.</p>



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### 3.1.8.3. English policy tekst

Survey data policy checkbox label:

*"Please accept and agree to the data privacy policy in order to proceed."*

Survey data policy message:

#### *"1. Data confidentiality*

*Your data will be processed in compliance with the Belgian Law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons in relation to the processing of personal data and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of 27 April 2016, which entered into force on 25 May 2018, on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.*

*You have the right to request the KCE to access, rectify, erase and transfer your personal data and to restrict and object to the processing of your data. To do so, please contact the KCE as the Data Controller responsible for the processing of your personal data by [e-mail](#) or by letter to be sent to KCE, Kruidtuinlaan 55, 1000 Brussels.*

*Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or comments you may have about the processing of your data. If you so wish, the KCE Data Protection Officer is available to provide you with further details regarding the protection of your personal data. He can be contacted by [e-mail](#).*



If this proves to be insufficient, you are free to lodge a complaint about the way your data are being treated with the Belgian supervisory authority responsible for enforcement of the data protection legislation: [Data Protection Authority \(DPA\)](#) at Drukpersstraat 35, 1000 Brussels, or by [e-mail](#).

## 2. Data retention period

The data are kept on record for two years after the reports are published.

## 3. Processing purposes

The aim of this survey is XXXX.

## 4. Consent statement

- I hereby affirm that I have been informed in writing, in a way that is understandable to me, of the nature, method and purpose of this study.
- I hereby accept and agree to take part in the scientific research.
- I understand that I am free to withdraw at any time until such time that the data are recorded and stored in the database without having to state any grounds for doing so and without this having any kind of consequences for me.

I understand that my data are collected and recorded on a confidential basis, and that the Principal Investigator guarantees their confidentiality."

In HTML:

<p>1. Data confidentiality</p>

<p>Your data will be processed in compliance with the Belgian Law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons in relation to the processing of personal data and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of 27 April 2016, which entered into force on 25 May 2018, on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.</p>

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</ul>

<p>I understand that my data are collected and recorded on a confidential basis, and that the Principal Investigator guarantees their confidentiality.</p>



### 3.2. Copy a survey

It is also possible to copy a survey (e.g. a template for GCP surveys):

The screenshot shows the KCE Survey software interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Tutorials', 'Configuration', 'Surveys' (highlighted with a dropdown menu), 'Active surveys 16', 'CAD2', and a bell icon. A dropdown menu from the 'Surveys' button is open, with 'Copy a survey' highlighted by a red circle labeled '2'. Below the dropdown, there are buttons for 'Save' and 'Close'. The main area is titled 'Create, import, or copy survey' and has tabs for 'Create', 'Import', and 'Copy' (the active tab).  
The 'Copy' tab contains several configuration options:

- Select survey to copy:** A dropdown menu labeled 'Please choose...' (circled in red as '3') with a required status.
- Convert resource links and expression fields?** An 'On' switch (circled in red as '2').
- Exclude quotas?** An 'Off' switch (circled in red as '5').
- Exclude survey permissions?** An 'Off' switch.
- Exclude answers?** An 'Off' switch.
- Reset conditions/relevance?** An 'Off' switch.
- Reset start/end date/time?** An 'Off' switch.
- Reset response start ID?** An 'Off' switch.

At the bottom is a large 'Copy survey' button (circled in red as '6').



1. Click on the arrow next to the “Surveys” item in the menu bar at the top of the page
2. Click on “Copy a survey”
3. Select the survey you want to copy
4. Add a title to your new survey
5. If needed change the options when copying (e.g. “Reset start/end date/time”)
6. click on the “Copy survey” button

You can then modify your survey by adding or deleting questions or question groups. When deleting a question, you can get a warning telling you that this question is a condition (in the relevance equation, see the “Conditions” section below) for another question:

Question could not be deleted. There are conditions for other questions that rely on this question. You cannot delete this question until those conditions are removed. X

You first need to delete that question or remove its reference to the initial question in the conditions. For example, if you want to get rid of the first question in the following group:

The screenshot shows a survey editor interface with a sidebar on the left containing three horizontal bars. The main area displays a list of questions. At the top right of the list area is a circular icon with the number '7' and a small upward arrow. Below this, there are three items in a list:

- ☰ [G1Q1] > Je suis ...
- ☰ [G1Q2] > Pourquoi de forum de discussion?
- ☰ [G1Q3GGS] > Pourquoi de forum de discussi



Question G1Q2 depends on the answer of G1Q1:

### Question summary G1Q2 (ID:

Question group: (ID:334)

Code: G1Q2

Question: important n'est pas clair, le C  
rétablissement de la capaci

Help:

Type: Text display

Relevance equation: **((G1Q1.NAOK == "A1"))**

If you want to remove this question, you have to start from the bottom (G1Q2 and all other questions depending on G1Q1) because the last questions do not appear in other's questions relevance equation (or you can modify the relevance equation so that G1Q1 does not appear in the equation anymore).

### 3.3. Import a survey

You might want to import a survey for several reasons:

- An old survey that you want to look at: it contains the questionnaire + responses = .lxa file (LimeSurvey archive)
- A survey you backed up and after a wrong manipulation, you want to start over from the backup: only the questions (no responses) = .iss (LimeSurvey structure)
- A survey created on another server (local or remote) and that you want to use on this server

1

Create a new survey

2

Import a survey

Copy a survey

List surveys

Save

Close

## Create, import, or copy survey

[Create](#)[Import](#)[Copy](#)

Select survey structure file (\*.iss, \*.txt) or survey archive (\*.isa) (maximum file size: 300.00 MB)

3

 No file chosen

Convert resource links and expression fields?

 On

4

1. Click on the arrow to the “Surveys” item in the menu bar at the top of the page
2. Click on the “Import a survey” sub-menu
3. Click on the “Choose File” button and select the .isa (archive) or .iss (structure) file to import
4. Click on the “Import survey” button



## 4. ADD QUESTION GROUPS

Questions must be created in a question group. Put all questions you want on a single page in the same group.

### 4.1. Create a group:

The screenshot shows the 'Add question group' interface. The top navigation bar includes a back arrow, a home icon, the project name 'Test CAD (425332)', and a 'Save' button. The left sidebar has 'Settings' (highlighted with red circle 1), 'Structure' (highlighted with red circle 2), 'Add question group' (highlighted with red circle 3), 'Add question' (highlighted with red circle 4), and a 'General questions' dropdown (highlighted with red circle 5). The main area contains an 'Import a group' button, three save options ('Save', 'Save and add question', 'Save and new group' highlighted with red circle 6), and a title input field ('Title:' highlighted with red circle 3) containing '3'. Below it is a rich text editor toolbar ('Description:' highlighted with red circle 4) and a body text area ('body'). At the bottom are fields for 'Randomization group:' and 'Relevance equation:'.

1. Settings

2. Structure

3. Add question group

4. Add question

5. General questions

6. Save and new group

Add question group

Title: 3

Description:

body

Randomization group:

Relevance equation: 5

1. Make sure you are in the structure mode in your survey
2. Click on the “+ Add question group”
3. Add a title to the group of questions (you can choose later if you want the respondent to see it or not)
4. (optional) Describe the group of questions
5. (optional) Add a relevance equation if the group must not be seen for each respondent
6. Save the question group by clicking on one of the following buttons: “Save”, “Save and add question” (if you want to populate the group with questions), “Save and new group” (if you want to create another group after saving)

Below you will find some frequent group manipulations.

#### 4.2. Add a group of questions from another survey (import)

It is possible to import a group of questions:

The screenshot shows the SurveyToGo software interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for home, back, forward, and search. Below it, the title 'Test CAD (425332) ➔ Add question group' is displayed. The main menu bar has 'Settings' and 'Structure' buttons. A toolbar below the menu bar includes 'Import a group' (marked with a red circle 3), 'Save', 'Save and add question', and 'Save and new group'. On the left side, there's a sidebar with three buttons: '+ Add question group' (marked with a red circle 1), '+ Add question' (marked with a red circle 2), and 'General questions' (marked with a red circle 3). The main content area is titled 'Add question group' and contains fields for 'English (Base language)', 'Title', and 'Description'. Below the 'Description' field is a rich text editor toolbar with various icons for text formatting.

1. Make sure you are in the structure mode in your survey



2. Click on the “+ Add question group”
3. Click on the “Import a group” button

  
5

## Import question group

Select question group file (\*.lsg):

(Maximum file size: 300.00 MB)

limesurvey\_group\_33.lsg

4

Convert  
resource  
links?



4. Click on the “Browse...” button to select a .lsg file from your computer (leave “Convert resource links” checked)
5. Click on the “Import” button

### Import question group

Success

File upload succeeded.

Question groups: 1  
Questions: 19  
Subquestions: 0  
Answers: 0  
Conditions: 0  
Question attributes: 0

Question group import is complete.

6

6. Click on the “Go to question group” button

#### 4.3. Export a question group

The screenshot shows the SurveyToGo software interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for home, survey name ('Test CAD'), and current section ('General questions'). Below the navigation is a toolbar with 'Settings' (disabled), 'Structure' (selected, indicated by a red circle with '1'), 'Add question group' (green button), 'Add question' (disabled), 'Preview survey' (disabled), 'Preview question group' (disabled), 'Edit current question group' (disabled), 'Check survey logic for current question group' (disabled), 'Delete current question group' (disabled), and 'Export this question group' (disabled, indicated by a red circle with '3' and a cursor icon over it). On the left, a sidebar lists sections: 'General questions' (selected, indicated by a red circle with '2'), 'Statements' (19 items), and several other sections like '[q1]', '[S1]', '[S2]', '[S3]', '[S4]', '[S5]', and '[S6]'. The main area is titled 'Group summary' and contains fields for 'Title' (General questions (332)) and 'Description'. Below this is a 'Group quick actions' section with a large green button 'Add new question to group' containing a plus sign and the text 'Add new question to group'.

1. Make sure you are in the structure mode in your survey
2. Select the question group you want to export
3. Click on the “Export this question group”
4. Save the file on your computer (not illustrated) or look for it in the “Downloads” folder on your computer (with a .lsg extension)



#### 4.4. Copy a group of questions

If several question groups in the survey are quite similar, you can spare some time by copying a question group, then modify the copy. There is no possibility to copy a group of question, but there is an alternative way to do it:

1. export the group you want to copy (see section 4.3)
2. import the group you just copied (see section 4.2)

## 5. ADD QUESTIONS

Note: LimeSurvey does not manage versions, so when you modify (edit) a question, if another user modifies the same question at the same time, only the version which is last saved will be kept, losing the changes from the other user. **Please make sure that multiple users do not work on the same question at the same time** (e.g. make sure that other users do not work on the same question group as you do).

### 5.1. Create a question

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey interface for managing survey questions. The top navigation bar includes icons for survey status, home, and general questions. Below the navigation is a toolbar with buttons for previewing the survey, editing the current question group, checking logic, deleting the group, and exporting it. On the left, a sidebar lists question groups: 'General questions' (selected, indicated by a red circle with '2'), 'Statements' (19 items), and several others like '[q1] > Please enter your gender.', '[S1] > "KCE perceives the fundamen...', '[S2] > "The relevance and need for ...', '[S3] > "Patient involvement in health...', '[S4] > "Sufficient resources (people,...', and '[S5] > "The planning of the projects...'. The main content area is titled 'Group summary' and contains fields for 'Title' (General questions (332)) and 'Description'. Below this is a section titled 'Group quick actions' with a green button labeled 'Add new question to group' and a red circle with '3' indicating pending actions. A cursor is hovering over this button.

1. Click on “Structure” in the survey
2. Select the question group where you want to add the question
3. Click on “Add new question to group”



You then enter the question screen:

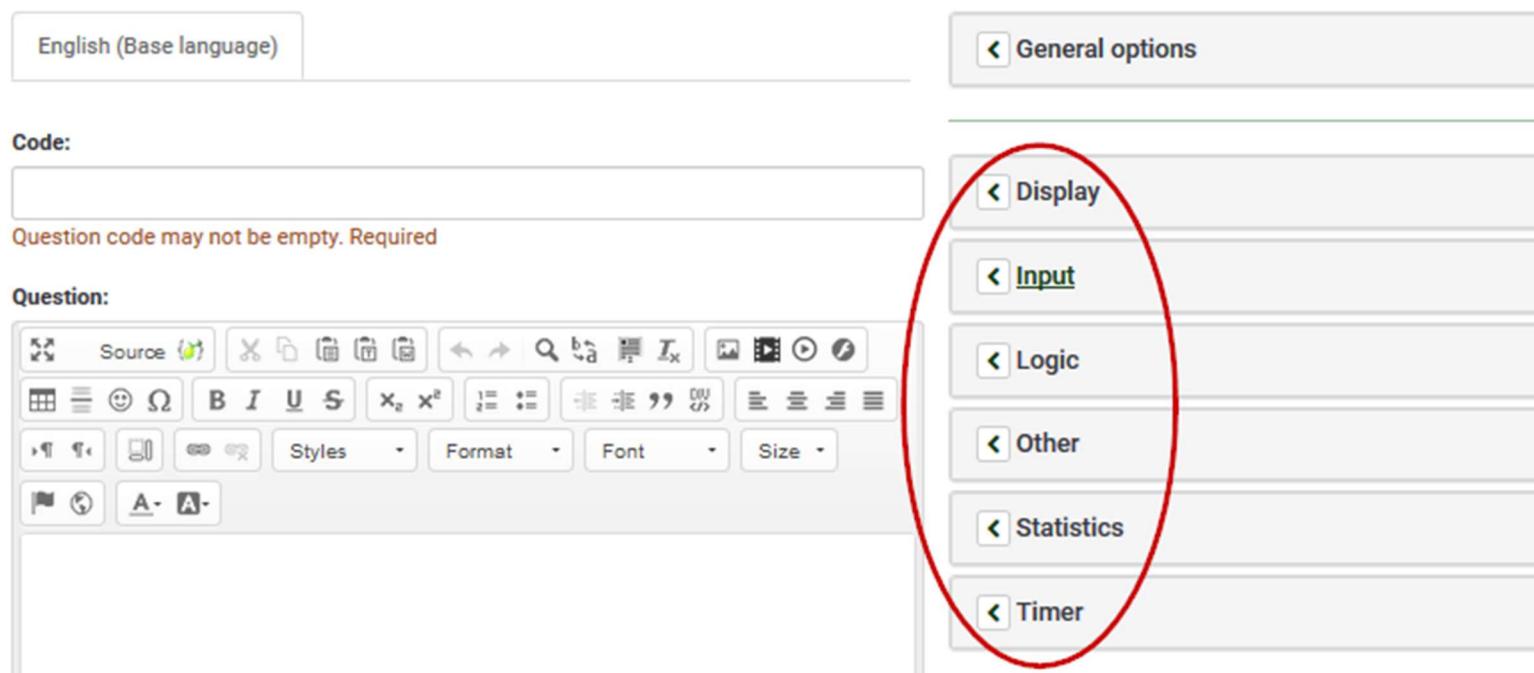
The screenshot shows the 'Add a new question' interface. At the top, there are 'Save' and 'Save and new' buttons, and a red circle labeled '10' indicating the number of questions. On the left, there's a 'Code:' field (labeled 1) containing 'q1' and a note 'Required'. Below it is a 'Question:' rich text editor (labeled 3). To the right, under 'General options', is a 'Type:' dropdown set to 'Long Free Text' (labeled 2). Other settings include 'Question theme: Default', 'Question theme preview' (a small preview window), 'Question group: General questions (ID:332)' (labeled 5), 'Mandatory: off' (labeled 6), 'Relevance equation' (labeled 7), 'Validation' (labeled 8), 'Position: At end' (labeled 9), and a 'Display' section at the bottom.

1. Provide a code for the question (e.g. "q1"): choose any code without spaces you like (starting with a letter), it is just to be able to refer to it later; the question code can be hidden to the respondent
2. Choose the type of question (see section 5.4)
3. Type the question

- 
4. (optional) type a text that could help the respondent to answer the question
  5. If needed, change the question group
  6. If this question is mandatory, set it to "on" (N.B.: if a mandatory question is hidden e.g. because it is shown only in certain conditions), it is fine: the question is not answered)
  7. Relevance equation: set ton 1 means that the question will always appear in this question group; for conditional appearance, see section **Error! Reference source not found.**
  8. Validation: check that the answer has the right format (e.g. if an email must be provided, check that it is xxx@yyy.zzz, or that a phone number has only digits)
  9. Position: before/after which question must the new question be placed?
  10. Click on "Save" or if you wish to add another question afterwards, click on "Save and new"

Other options are available on the right-side of the screen:

### Add a new question



The screenshot shows the 'Add a new question' interface. On the left, there's a language selection box ('English (Base language)'). Below it, a 'Code:' field is empty and highlighted in red, with the error message 'Question code may not be empty. Required'. To the right, a sidebar lists several sections: 'General options' (selected), 'Display' (circled in red), 'Input', 'Logic', 'Other', 'Statistics', and 'Timer'. At the bottom of the sidebar, there's a note: 'These settings may vary depending on the question type; below some information about the first two for a long free text question.'



Display 1

Display rows:

Hide tip:

Text input box width:

Text input size:

Always hide this question:

CSS class(es):

Input 2

Maximum characters:

1. Display: modify what is displayed (e.g. you can hide the default tip shown, the size of the text box)
2. Input: set the maximum characters that can be entered to answer (to avoid too long answers)

Note: if your text is quite long, you can maximise the textbox this way: click on the 4-arrows icon at the top-left of the menu bar



Dutch (Base language)

French

**Code:**

rec1

Required

**Question:**

Hoewel er op basis van de literatuurreview geen overtuigende evidente is dat videoconsultaties gelijk of beter zijn dan gewone consultaties, zijn er ook geen aanwijzingen dat het gebruik ervan een negatief effect heeft op de gezondheid van patiënten met een chronische somatische aandoening.

**Daarom bevelen we aan om videoconsultaties mogelijk te maken en te gebruiken**

body p

The window will then only show the textbox and the menu bar; to quit this maximised view, click on the same 4-arrows icon:

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**Daarom bevelen we aan om videoconsultaties mogelijk te maken en te gebruiken als zorgverlener én patiënt dit zien als een nuttige alternatieve/aanvullende communicatiemogelijkheid.**

body p

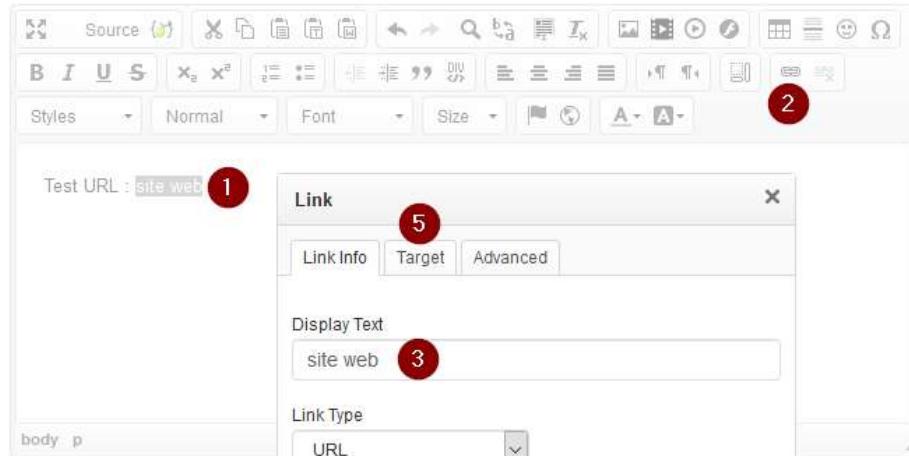


## 5.2. Add a link in the text of your question

Code:

Required

Question:



Help:

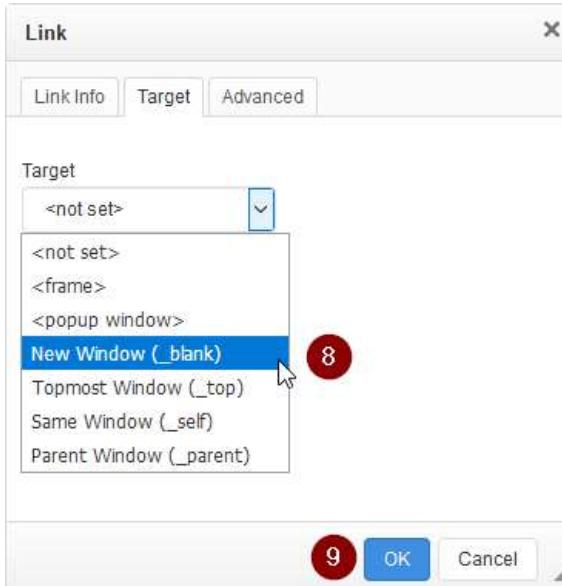


1. Select the text you want to transform into a link
2. Click on the “Link” icon to display the contextual menu
3. If you want to change the text to be displayed, you can do it here
4. Paste the URL (web address) of the page you want to link to
5. If you want the link to be opened in another window (or a popup window), click on the “Target” tab (and see below)

6. If you want to link to a file that is hosted on (or that you would upload from your computer to) the server, click on the “Browse Server” button and follow the instructions explained in the “Add an image in the text of your question” section (points 8 & 9) below (it is the same interface for images and files hosted on the server)

If you clicked on the “Target” tab (see 4.):

7. Click on the “OK” button when you are done



8. Select the type of target you want (the most used are “popup window” and “new window”)  
9. Click on the “OK” button



### 5.3. Add an image in the text of your question

You need to have a copy of the image on your computer or the online address (URL) for it.

Code:

q1

Required

Question:

Test URL : site web

Image: .be

body p

Help:

Width Height

Border HSpace

VSpace Alignment

OK Cancel



1. Edit your question: in the textbox, click where you would like to insert the image
2. In the toolbar, click on the “Image” icon to display the contextual menu

If you want to add an online image:

3. Paste the URL of the image or
4. Click on the “Browse Server” button if the image is on your computer (to upload it on the server) or already on the server (see 7. to 9. below)
5. Write a description of the image (in case the image cannot be displayed)
6. Click on the “OK” button

if you want to add an image from your computer or that is already on the server:

If you clicked on the “Browse Server” button, a new window appears:



7. If the image is on your computer, click on the “Upload” button to put the image on the server
8. Select the image you want to add by double-clicking on it



## 5.4. Questions types

In this section, some of the most used question types are presented. If you cannot find the appropriate question type for your question, please have a look at the online documentation ([http://manual.limesurvey.org/Question\\_types](http://manual.limesurvey.org/Question_types)).

To select the question type, edit or create a question, then click on the question type in "General options":

The screenshot shows a user interface for managing survey questions. On the left, there's a language selection bar with 'English (Base language)' (selected), 'Dutch', and 'French'. Below it is a 'Code:' field containing a placeholder 'Question code may not be empty. Required'. On the right, a 'General options' dialog box is open, featuring a list of question types. The 'Long Free Text' option is highlighted with a red oval, and a small icon of a folder with a document is visible next to it. Below this, there's a 'Question theme:' dropdown set to 'Default'.

### 5.4.1. Long free text

This is the default question type, the respondent can type text on several lines. Here is an example:

Could you justify your answer?

A large, empty rectangular text input field with a green border, designed for multi-line text entry.

Other free text question types are: short free text, huge free text, and multiple short text. For the latter, you need to fill in subquestions:

Please be more specific.

Was it painful?

How long did it take to recover?



## 5.4.2. Single choice questions

These question types are for closed-ended answers. There are several types, here are the most useful:

### 5.4.2.1. List (radio) and List (dropdown)

You can decide how many options the respondent can choose from. The difference is the way they are displayed: use list radio (which shows all options) rather than dropdown (which shows only the selected option) unless you need to gain room on your page.

List (radio) example:

What is the number of beds in your maternity?

Choose one of the following answers

- <= 15 beds
- 16-25 beds
- 26-40 beds
- > 40 beds
- Other:
- No answer

The 'no answer' option can be dropped by making the question mandatory and 'Other' can be dropped by setting option 'Other' to 'Off'.

List (dropdown) example:



What is the number of beds in your maternity service?

1 Choose one of the following answers

Please choose... ▾

Please choose...

<= 15 beds  
16-25 beds  
26-40 beds  
> 40 beds  
Other:

Once you have chosen one of these two question types, you then need to provide the answers:

1

### Question summary q3 (ID: 7596)

Question group: Group 1 (ID:298)  
Code: q3 : (Optional question)  
Question: What is the number of beds in your maternity?  
Help:  
Type: List (Radio)  
Mandatory: No  
Relevance equation: 1

1. Click on the “Edit answer options” button



Preview survey ▾ Preview question group ▾ Preview question ▾

Save Save and close Close

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### Edit answer options q3 (ID: 7596)

English (Base language) Dutch French

Position	Code	Answer option	Actions
☰	A1 2	More than once a week 3	
☰ 5	A2	Once a week	
☰	A3	Less than once a week	

8 9 7

Predefined label sets... Quick add... Save as label set

2. Change the answer code if needed
3. Type the answer option
4. You can add a new answer option by clicking on the “+” icon; the pencil icon is to customize your test in HTML and the trash to delete the answer option
5. To change the position of an answer click the icon and keep the mouse button pressed, move it at the right place, then release the mouse button
6. When you have entered all the answer options, click on the “Save changes” or the “Save and close” button
7. If these answers will be used in several questions, you can save them by clicking on the “Save as label set” button, give the label set a name and confirm
8. Click on “Predefined sets...” to retrieve a previously saved label set
9. Click on “Quick add” to use a list of answer options: a window will open and you can copy/paste a list from a text file or type directly the answers (one per line) (see 5.4.4)



### 5.4.3. Multiple choice questions

There are several options, the simplest is the checkbox (called multiple choice):

What are the available beds indexes in your maternity service?

Check all that apply

M/MIC beds

N\* beds

NIC beds

Other:

To choose this question type, after having typed your question, do the following:



1. Click on the question type (not shown)

Select question type

- Single choice questions
- Arrays
- Mask questions
- Text questions
- Multiple choice questions 2
- Multiple choice 3 >
- Multiple choice with comments

**Preview question type**  
Multiple choice

Multiple choice

! Check all that apply

Yes

No

Maybe

x

4  
Close

Select

2. Select “multiple choice questions”

3. Click on “multiple choice”

4. Click on the “Select” button

5. Click on the

Edit subquestions

button to add the answer options to fill in: see the List (radio) and List (dropdown) section



#### 5.4.4. Labels sets for closed questions

Create a new label set for a closed question (list or multiple choice):

##### Edit subquestions q3 (ID: 7596)

English (Base language)

Dutch

French

Position	Code	Subquestion	Relevance equation	Action
☰	A1	<= 15 beds		  
☰	A2	16-25 beds		  
☰	A3	26-40 beds		  
☰	A4	> 40 beds		  

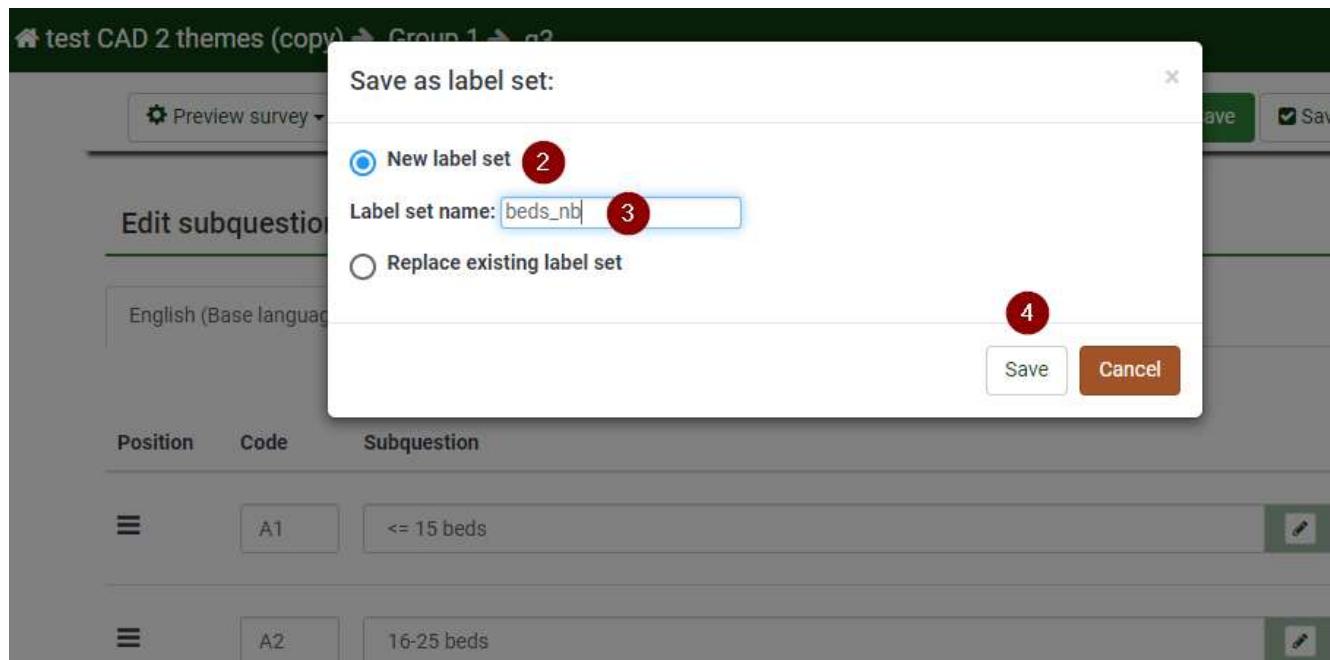
Predefined label sets...

Quick add...

Save as label set

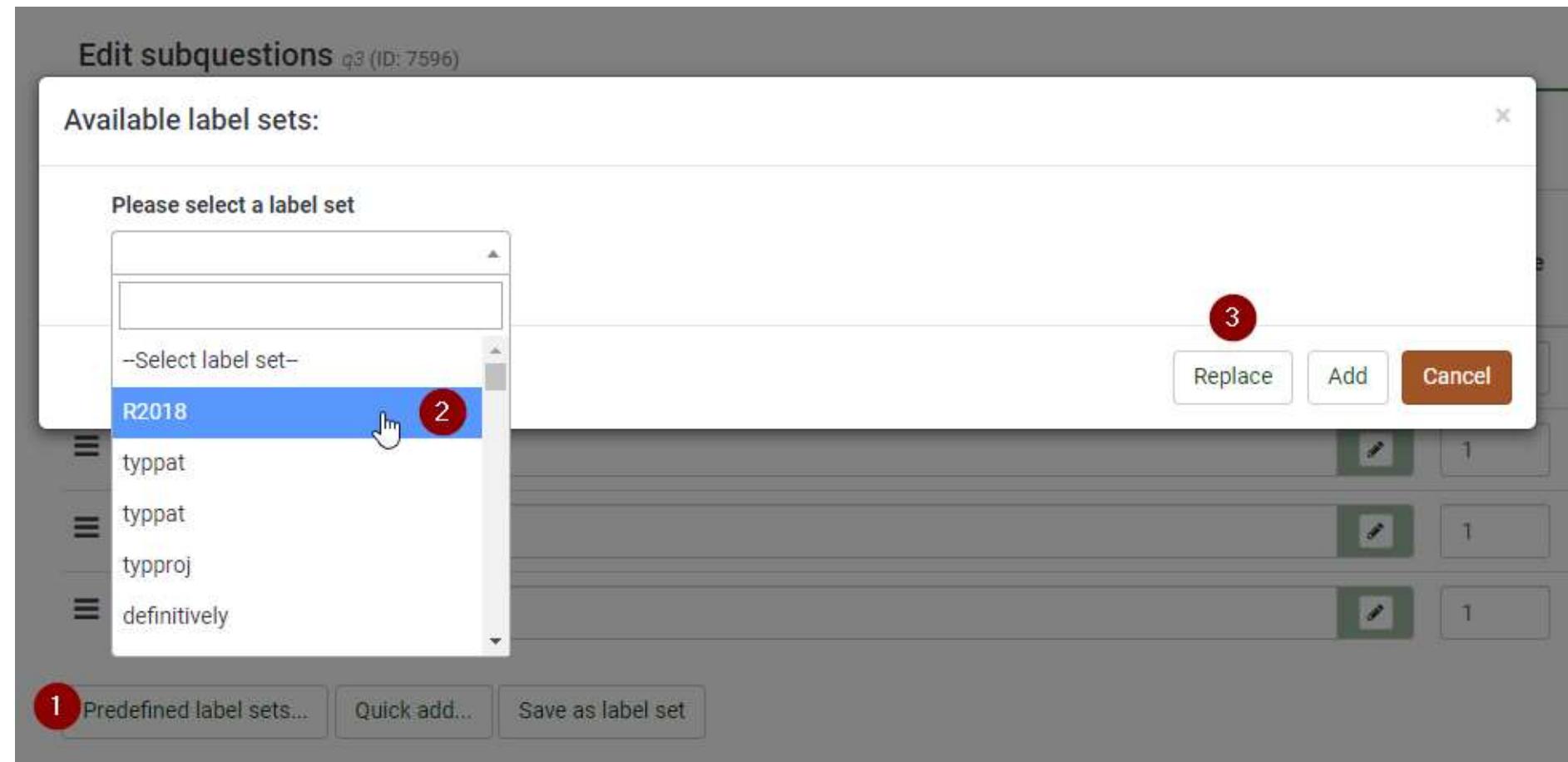
1

- Once you have filled up the subquestions, click on the “Save as label set” button



2. Select “New label set”
3. Give the set a name
4. Click on the “Save” button

To use a predefined label set, edit the answers, then:



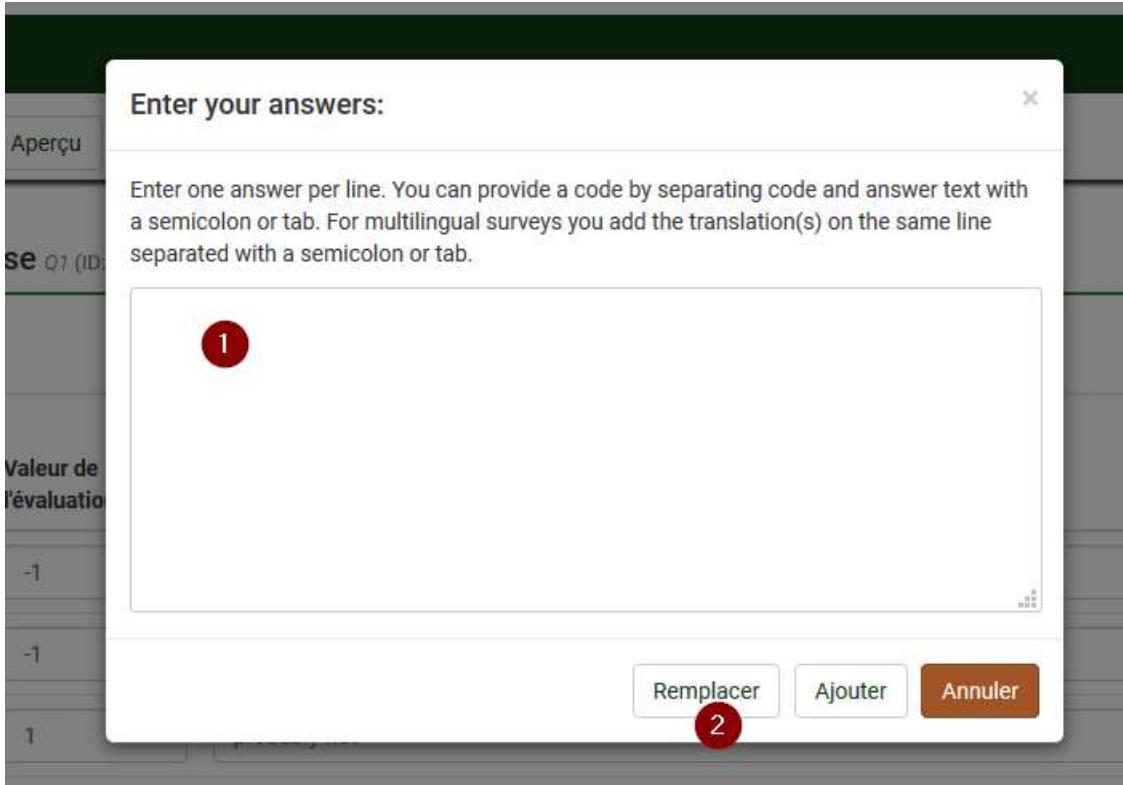
1. Click on the “Predefined label sets...” button
2. Select the set you wish to use
3. Click on the “Replace” button (or the “Add button” if you have already entered some answer options that you want to keep)

To add rapidly your sub questions, e.g. from a text file

Choose the “quick add...” button

- 
1. Copy/paste the sub questions from your text file – one item per line – no numbering or bullet – no empty line at the end of the list

Click on the “Replace” button (or the “Add button” if you have already entered some answer options that you want to keep)





## 5.4.5. Mask questions

### 5.4.5.1. Ranking

This question type allows the respondent to rank propositions:

When would it suit you better?

Double-click or drag-and-drop items in the left list to move them to the right - your highest ranking item should be on the top right, moving through to your lowest ranking item.

Your choices

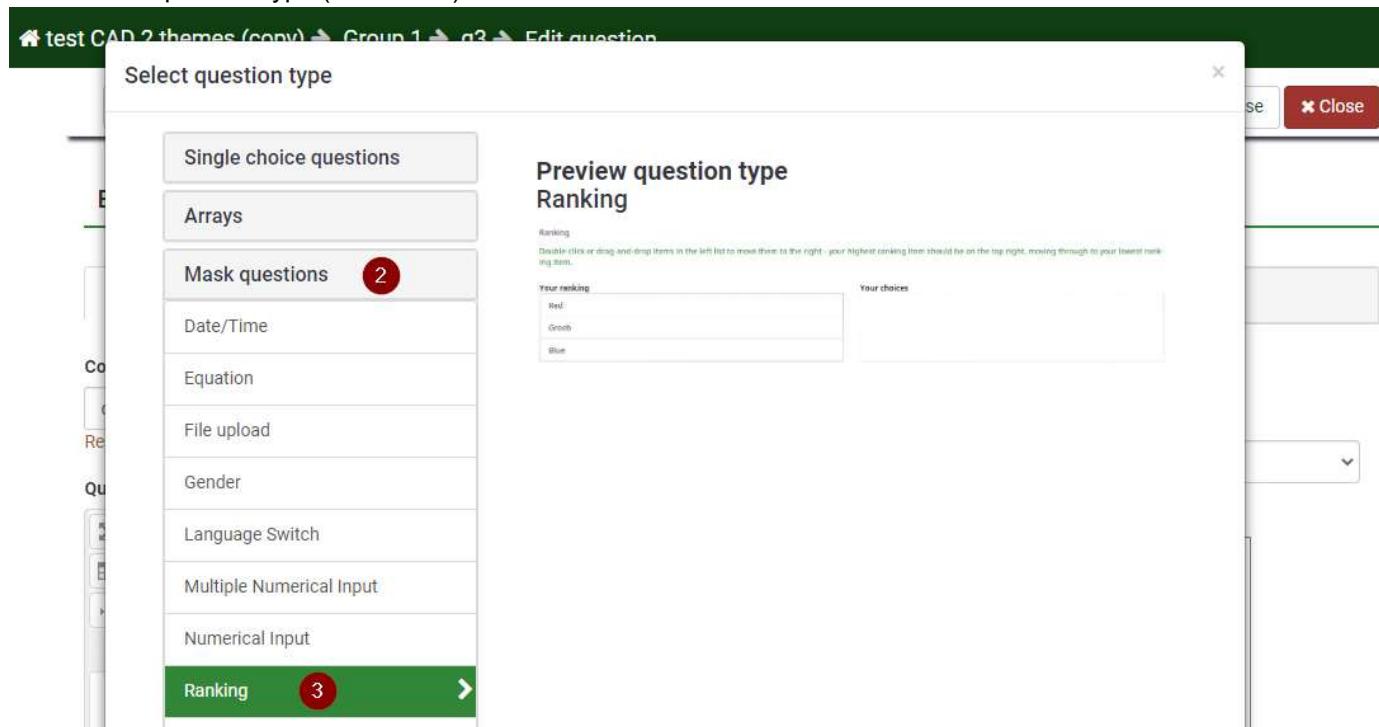
Monday 10:00
Monday 14:00
Tuesday 10:00
Tuesday 16:00
Friday 18:00

Your ranking

--

To choose this question type, after having entered your question text:

1. Click on the question type (not shown)



2. Select "Mask questions"
3. Click on "Ranking"
4. Click on the "Select" button (not shown)
5. Click on the "Save" button
6. Click on the **Edit subquestions** button to add the answer options; to fill in: see the List (radio) and List (dropdown) section



#### 5.4.5.2. Ranking results from a previous multiple choice question

It is possible to take as input in a ranking question the answers from a previous multiple choice question. The answer codes have to be the same, but the answer options (the text) can be different:

When would it suit you better?

Check all that apply

Monday 10:00

Monday 14:00

Tuesday 10:00

Tuesday 16:00

Friday 18:00

Please rank your selection.

Double-click or drag-and-drop items in the left list to move them to the right - your highest ranking item should be on the top right, moving through to your lowest ranking item.

Your choices

Monday afternoon

Friday evening

Your ranking



## To do that

1. Make sure that the option codes match between the questions (e.g. A1 in the multiple choice question must correspond to A1 in the ranking question)
2. Edit the ranking question (the second one), then click on “Logic” in the right panel, fill in the “Array filter” field with the code of the first question:

The screenshot shows a software interface with a sidebar on the left and a main content area on the right. The sidebar has three tabs: 'General options', 'Display', and 'Logic'. The 'Logic' tab is currently selected, indicated by a blue background. In the main content area, there are several input fields:

- Minimum answers:** An input field containing '{' and '}'.
- Maximum answers:** An input field containing '{' and '}'.
- Maximum columns for answers:** An empty input field.
- Array filter:** An input field containing 'q3', which is highlighted with a red circle.



### 5.4.5.3. Multiple numerical input

1. Click on the question type (not shown)

Select question type

The dialog box shows a sidebar with various question types: Single choice questions, Arrays, Mask questions, Date/Time, Equation, File upload, Gender, Language Switch, Multiple Numerical Input (highlighted with a red circle containing '2'), Numerical Input, Ranking, Text display, Yes/No, Text questions, and Multiple choice questions. The main area displays the preview for 'Multiple Numerical Input' with fields for Apples (2), Oranges (5), and Bananas (8), totaling 15.

Preview question type  
Multiple Numerical Input

Multiple numerical input:  
Only numbers may be entered in these fields.  
The sum must be between 1 and 50.

Apples: 2  
Oranges: 5  
Bananas: 8  
Total: 15

Close Select

2. Select “Multiple Numerical Input”
3. Click on the “Select” button

2 them

Question was successfully added.

Preview survey ▾ Preview question group ▾ Preview question ▾ Edit Check logic Delete Export  
 Copy Set conditions Edit subquestions Edit default answers

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## Question summary q7 (ID: 7612)

**Question group:** Group 1 (ID:298)  
**Code:** q7 : (Optional question)  
**Question:** Percentage breakdown  
**Help:**  
**Type:** Multiple Numerical Input  
Warning: You need to add subquestions to this question

**Mandatory:** No  
Relevance equation:

4. Click on the “Edit subquestions” button to add the subquestions



[Preview survey](#) ▾ [Preview question group](#) ▾ [Preview question](#) ▾ [Save](#)  [Save and close](#) [Close](#)

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## Edit subquestions q7 (ID: 7612)

English (Base language) Dutch French

Position	Code	Subquestion	Relevance equation	Action
☰	SQ001 5	Some example subquestion	<a href="#"></a> 1	<a href="#"></a> <a href="#"></a> 6

[Predefined label sets...](#) [Quick add...](#) [Save as label set](#)

5. Add a subquestion (change the code if needed)
6. You can add extra subquestions by clicking on the “+” button
7. When you are done, click on the “Save and close” button

If you want, you can validate the answers (e.g. make sure that the sum of the subqueries = 100).

[Preview survey](#)[Preview question group](#)[Preview question](#)[Save](#)[Save and close](#)[Close](#)

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## 1 Edit question: q6 (ID:7608)

[English \(Base language\)](#)[Dutch](#)[French](#)**Code:**

q6

**Required****Question:**

Please enter the different components values

**Help:**

1. Edit the question (type = Multiple Numerical Input)
2. Click on "Input" in the column on the right side of the screen
3. Fill in the condition you wish (here, the sum must not be greater than 100)
4. Click on the "Save and close" button

[General options](#)[Display](#)[Input](#) 2**Minimum value:** )**Equals sum value:** )**Integer only:** Off**Maximum sum value:** 100 3 )**Minimum sum value:** )**Maximum characters:**



The question looks as follows, with a total at the bottom:

Please enter the different components values

- Only numbers may be entered in these fields.
- The sum must be at most 100

Apples

 10

Pears

 50

Oranges

 45

Total:

105

While the sum is greater than 100, the answers are invalid for this question.

#### 5.4.5.4. Only text display

When you want to insert a message or a text box without question, e.g. a disclaimer, a definition:

1. Click on the question type (not shown)
2. Select “mask questions”
3. Click on “text display”
4. Click on the “Select” button



## Select question type

×

- Single choice questions
- Arrays
- Mask questions 2
- Date/Time
- Equation
- File upload
- Gender
- Language Switch
- Multiple Numerical Input
- Numerical Input
- Ranking
- Text display 3 >
- Yes/No
- Text questions
- Multiple choice questions

### Preview question type Text display

#### Text display

You can write here anything you want -> It will be displayed as text to your survey participants

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Close

Select



#### 5.4.5.5. Date/Time

1. Click on the question type (not shown)
2. Select “mask questions”
3. Click on “Date/Time”
4. Click on the “Select” button

Select question type ×

[Single choice questions](#)

[Arrays](#)

[Mask questions 2](#)

[Date/Time 3 >](#)

[Equation](#)

[File upload](#)

[Gender](#)

[Language Switch](#)

[Multiple Numerical Input](#)

[Numerical Input](#)

[Ranking](#)

[Text display](#)

[Yes/No](#)

[Text questions](#)

[Multiple choice questions](#)

**Preview question type**  
Date/Time  
Date/Time  
Please complete all parts of the date.

Day  / Month  / Year

Close Select 4

If you want to restrict the date selection (e.g. not in the future, defined time frame):

 [Preview survey](#) [Preview question group](#) [Preview question](#) [Save](#) [Save and close](#) [Close](#)

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## Edit question: q8 (ID:8407)

English (Base language) Dutch French

Code: q8 Required

Question:

When did you get sick?

Help:

When did you get sick?

General options

Display 5

Display dropdown boxes:  off

Hide tip:  off

Month display style:  Short names  Full names  Numbers

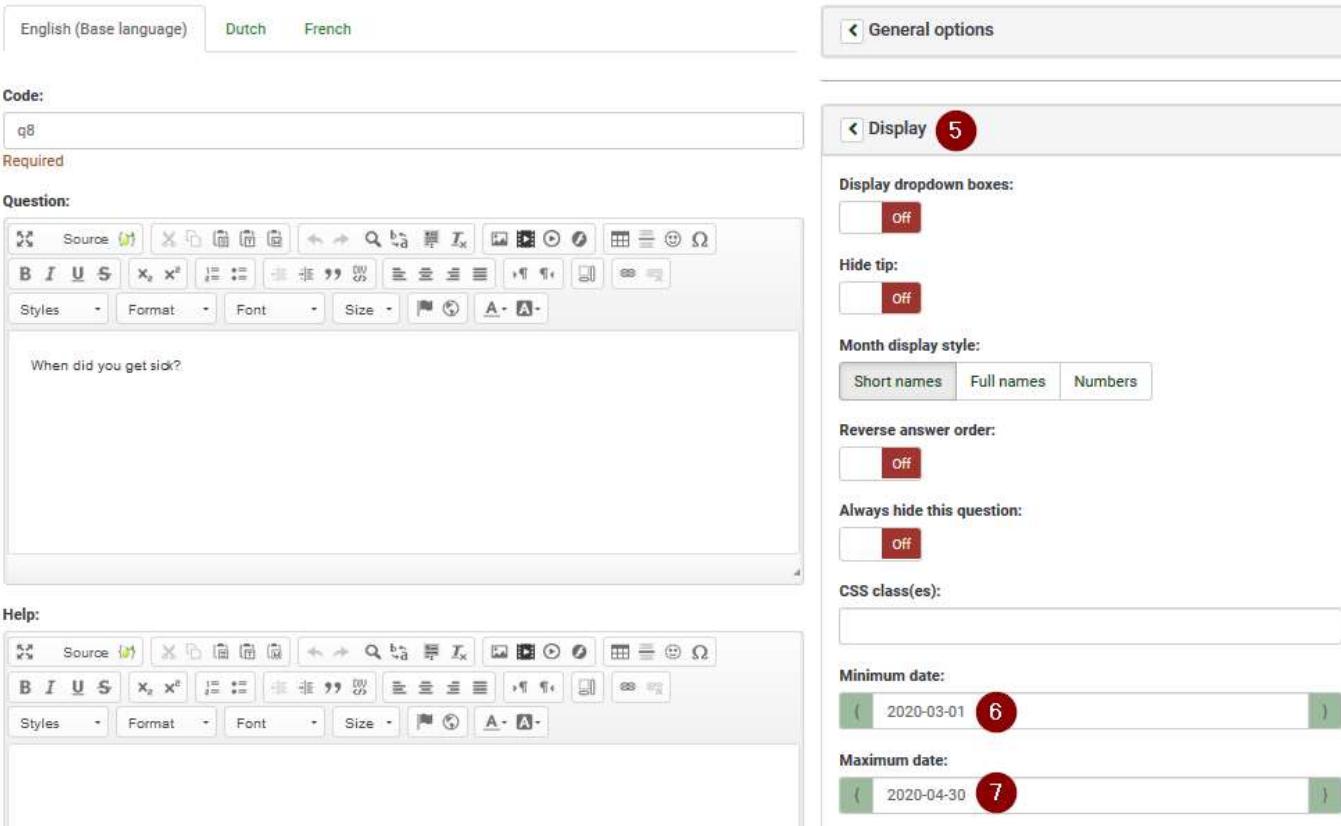
Reverse answer order:  off

Always hide this question:  off

CSS class(es):

Minimum date: ( 2020-03-01 ) 6

Maximum date: ( 2020-04-30 ) 7



5. Click on “Display”
6. Set the minimum date (yyyy-mm-dd)
7. Set the maximum date (yy-mm-dd)
8. Click on the “Save and close” button



A help message with the minimum and maximum dates is automatically generated:

When did you get sick?

1 Answer must be between 01.03.2020 and 30.04.2020

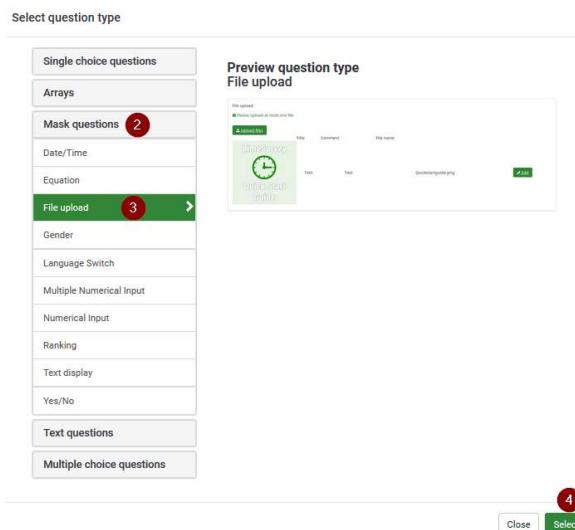
Format: dd.mm.yyyy

#### 5.4.5.6. File upload

If you want the respondent to be able to upload files, here is how to proceed.

1. Click on the question type (not shown)
2. Select “mask questions”
3. Click on “File upload”
4. Click on the “Select” button

Select question type



Single choice questions  
Arrays  
Mask questions 2  
Date/Time  
Equation  
File upload 3  
Gender  
Language Switch  
Multiple Numerical Input  
Numerical Input  
Ranking  
Text display  
Yes/No  
Text questions  
Multiple choice questions

Close Select 4

5. Enter the question code  
 6. Enter the question text  
 7. Click on “Other”  
 8. Set the maximum size for a file  
 9. Set the maximum number of files  
 10. Set the minimum number of files  
 11. Select the file types allowed  
 12. Click on the “Save and close” button

Preview survey ▾ Preview question group ▾ Preview question ▾

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Edit question: *upload1* (ID:8406)

English (Base language) Dutch French

Code:  5

Required

Question:

Help:

[General options](#)

[Display](#)

[File metadata](#)

[Logic](#)

[Other](#) 7

Insert page break in printable view:  Off

Maximum file size allowed (in KB):  8

Max number of files:  9

Min number of files:  10

Allowed file types:  11



Here is how it will appear to the respondent:

Please upload the file.

**! Please upload at most one file**

**Upload files**

Title	Comment	File name	Edit
test document	Ceci est un PDF	form_tpf2021.pdf	<b>Edit</b>

Once the survey has been submitted by the respondent, you can retrieve the uploaded files when viewing the answers by clicking on the link:

Summary Responses Data entry Statistics Timing statistics Export Import View saved but not submitted responses Batch deletion

Survey responses Display mode: Extended Compact

com...	q6_SQ002 Pears	q6_SQ003 Oranges	upload1 Please upload the file.	upload1_filecount filecount - Please upload the ...
	Please enter the different com...	Please enter the different com...		
25	50	Highlight_EN_B.png	3.54 Mb	test_can_be_deleted test upload file
				1



## 6. SET CONDITIONS

It is possible to have questions (or question groups) appearing only if certain conditions are met. There is no possibility to "jump" to another place (question group) in the survey.

### 6.1. Conditions for a question group

To set the condition for a question group, please do the following:

1. Select the question group (not shown)
2. Click on
3. Type in the relevance equation (see below)
4. Click on the "Save" button

The screenshot shows the 'Edit group' interface with the following elements:

- Buttons at the top:** Preview survey ▾, Preview question group ▾, Save (green), Save and close (checked), Close (red).
- Step 4:** A red circle with the number 4 indicates the current step.
- Title:** Patients specific questions
- Description:** A rich text editor toolbar with various icons for text, images, and tables.
- Randomization group:** An empty input field.
- Relevance equation:** An input field containing the text `q5.NAOK=="A1"`. A red circle with the number 3 indicates this field.



For question groups, you have to insert the relevance equation manually: for example, to show the question (or the group) only if the answer code "A1" was selected for the question with code q5, you would type in:

`q5.NAOK=="A1"` where q5 is the question code and A1 the answer code (.NAOK refers to the answer selected by the respondent).

## 6.2. Conditions for a question

By default, the relevance equation is set to 1, which means that the question will be shown.

There are two ways to proceed: either by manually typing the equation, or by using a "wizard".

To set up the equation manually, edit the question (or the group) and type in the equation in the text box below "Relevance equation". (see section 6.1)



If you want to set the condition with the wizard:

1. Select the question
2. Click on Set conditions to enter the condition designer

The screenshot shows the 'Conditions designer' interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'Show conditions for this question', 'Add and edit conditions' (highlighted with a red circle), 'Copy conditions', 'Save and close' (with a red circle), and 'Close'. Below these is a dropdown menu 'Move to question:' set to 'p1.What condition are you suffering from?'. The main area is titled 'Conditions designer' and has a 'Quick-add conditions' button. A message says 'Only show question p1: What condition are you suffering from? if:'. Below it, a note states 'This question is always shown.' The 'Add condition' section includes a 'Scenario' dropdown ('Default scenario') and a 'Comparison operator' dropdown ('equals' highlighted with a red circle). The 'Question' section lists previous questions and survey participant attributes. The 'Answer' section shows predefined answers: 'A1 (Patient)' (highlighted with a red circle), 'A2 (Care provider)', 'A3 (Policy maker)', and '(No answer)'. At the bottom are 'Clear' and 'Add condition' buttons (the latter with a red circle).

3. Select the previous question whose answer will decide whether to display the current question
4. Select the matching answer
5. Make sure that the comparison operator is the right one (equals in this case)



6. Click on the “Add condition” button; you will then see the condition at the top of the screen:

Only show question **p1: What condition are you suffering from?** if:

Default scenario

q5: To which group do you belong?(qid7606) equals Patient (A1)

7. Click on the “Save and close” button

If you return to the question, you will see the relevance equation in the question summary:

#### Question summary p1 (ID: 7607)

Question group: Patients specific questions (ID:400)  
Code: p1 : (Optional question)  
Question: What condition are you suffering from?  
Help:  
Type: Long Free Text  
Mandatory: No  
Relevance equation: `((q5.NAOK == "A1"))`

If you want to manually modify the relevance equation, you will first have to remove all conditions with the wizard to be able to edit the equation as this appears when editing the question:

Relevance equation:

`( (415872X298X7606.NAOK == "A1")) }`

Note: You can't edit the relevance equation because there are currently conditions set for this question.

### 6.3. Conditions for subquestions

It is also possible to decide when a subquestion appears or not in the list for array questions or a multiple choice questions.

#### 1. Edit the subquestions

The screenshot shows the 'Edit subquestions' page for survey item TW3 (ID: 7410). The top navigation bar includes buttons for previewing the questionnaire, group, and question, along with save, close, and cancel buttons. A red circle labeled '3' is positioned near the close button. The main area displays the subquestions in a table format:

Position	Code	Subquestion	Filtre conditionnel de l'équation	Action
1	SQ001	Je suis favorable au télétravail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	
2	SQ002	Mon espace de travail à la maison me permet actuellement de travailler au calme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	
3	SQ003	Je suis plus productif lorsque je fais du télétravail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	
4	SQ004	Mon équilibre entre vie professionnelle et vie privée est meilleur lorsque je peux faire du télétravail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	
5	SQ005	Je souhaite que notre organisation ait l'ambition de continuer - après la crise du coronavirus - à investir dans cette autre façon de travailler. (poursuite)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	

Below the table are buttons for 'Predefined label sets...', 'Ajout rapide...', and 'Enregistrer comme jeu d'étiquettes'.

2. Insert the appropriate relevance equation
3. Click on the "Save and close" button

More information on the subject at the official documentation: [http://manual.limesurvey.org/Setting\\_conditions](http://manual.limesurvey.org/Setting_conditions)



## 7. TEST YOUR SURVEY

Once you are done with your survey design, you should first test the survey yourself.

To avoid strange behaviours from LimeSurvey, it is recommended to use another browser than the one you use as survey administrator.

Then ask a few colleagues to test it before activation.

To test the survey (without recording the responses), send the URL (web address) of the survey:

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey interface. At the top, there are several buttons: 'Activate this survey' (green), 'Preview survey' (highlighted with a red circle labeled '1'), 'Tools' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Display/Export', and 'Survey parti'. Below this is the 'Survey summary' section. A language dropdown menu is open, showing 'English' (highlighted with a red circle labeled '2') at the top, followed by 'Dutch' and 'French'. To the right of the language dropdown is a context menu with the following options: 'Open link in new tab', 'Open link in new window', 'Open link in incognito window', 'Save link as...', 'Copy link address' (highlighted with a red circle labeled '3'), 'Add Domain/Expression Menu', 'Video DownloadHelper', 'Inspect', and 'Ctrl+Shift+I'.

1. Click on the “Preview survey” button
2. Select the language and then right-click
3. In the context menu, click on “Copy link address...” (depending on your browser, the message could vary, e.g. “Copy link location”)
4. Paste the link (Ctrl + V) in the email you will send to your colleagues

N.B.: you could also copy the survey URL (<https://survey.kce.be>), but for testing it is better to use the above method because if your colleagues make several tests in one session (without closing their browser), things could be mixed up with the survey URL only.

If the survey is not available when it is not activated, ask your LimeSurvey administrator to change the following settings to “Off”: survey preview only for administrator users:



## Global settings

Overview General Email settings Bounce settings Security Presentation Language Interfaces Storage

Survey preview only for administration users:

Filter HTML for XSS:

Note: XSS filtering is always disabled for the superadministrator.



Group member can only see own group:

IFrame embedding allowed:

Force HTTPS:

Warning: Before turning on HTTPS, check if this link works.

If the link does not work and you turn on HTTPS, LimeSurvey will break and you won't be able to access it.



## 8. UPDATE YOUR SURVEY ACCORDING TO COLLECTED FEEDBACK

Once you have collected the feedback from testers, you will edit question groups, questions and answers accordingly.

Or you might want colleagues to edit the survey. In that case, you have to make sure that they have access to LimeSurvey administration and then give them permission to edit your survey.

You might also want to move some questions to another place in the survey.

### 8.1. Give permission to another user to manage the survey

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey Settings page. On the left, there's a sidebar with various settings categories like Overview, General settings, Text elements, etc. The main area is titled 'Survey permissions'. It has two sections: 'User:' with a dropdown menu labeled 'Please choose.' (marked with a red circle 3) and a 'Add user' button (marked with a red circle 4), and 'User group:' with a dropdown menu labeled 'None' and a 'Add user group' button. At the bottom of the sidebar, the 'Survey permissions' link is highlighted with a red circle 2.

1. Click on "Settings"
2. In the Survey menu, click on "Survey permissions"
3. Select the user you wish to add
4. Click on the "Add user" button; you then get a confirmation:



## Add user

User added.

Set survey permissions **5**

5. Click on the “Set survey permissions” button
6. Click on  at the top of the right column to see the details

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Edit survey permissions for user 

	Permission	<>	Create	View/read	Update	Delete	Import	Export
Permission to create/view/update/delete assessments rules for a survey	Assessments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to view & update the translations using the quick-translation feature	Quick translation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to create/view/update/delete quota rules for a survey	Quotas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to create(data entry)/view/update/delete/import/export responses	Responses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to view statistics	Statistics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to activate/deactivate a survey	Survey activation	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				
Permission to create/view/update/delete/import/export the questions, groups, answers & conditions of a survey	Survey content	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Permission to delete a survey	Survey deletion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to modify survey security settings	Survey security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to view/update the survey settings including survey participants table creation	Survey settings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to view/update the survey text elements, e.g. survey title, survey description, welcome and end message	Survey text elements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Permission to create/update/delete/import/export token entries	Tokens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>





7. Select the permissions you wish to give to the user
8. When you are done, click on the "Save" button

## 8.2. Organise question groups/questions

The screenshot shows the 'Survey settings' interface with the 'Structure' tab selected (1). On the left, the 'Survey menu' includes 'List questions', 'List question groups' (2), and 'Reorder question'. The main area is titled 'Organize question groups/questions' (3) and contains instructions: 'To reorder questions/questiongroups just drag the question/group with your mouse to the desired position. After you are done please click the 'Save' button to save your changes.' It shows two sections: 'Group 1' containing questions q2 through q5, and 'Patients specific questions' containing questions q1 and p1. Buttons for 'Collapse all' and 'Expand all' are also present. At the top right are 'Save' and 'Save and close' buttons (4).

1. Click on “Settings” in the left menu  
2. Click on “Reorder question” in the Survey menu  
3. Drag and drop questions and question groups (pay attention to conditions, e.g. in the example, question p1 has to be after question q5)  
4. When you are done, click on the “Save” button



## 9. ACTIVATE YOUR SURVEY

Before you activate your survey, you might want to check all settings.

When your survey is ready, you can activate it by clicking on the “Activate this survey” button:



This will show you the following screen:

### **Warning: Please read this carefully before proceeding!**

You should only activate a survey when you are absolutely certain that your survey setup is finished and will not need changing.

Once a survey is activated you can no longer:

- Add or delete groups
- Add or delete questions
- Add or delete subquestions or change their codes

**Additionally the following settings cannot be changed when the survey is active.**

Please check these settings now:

Anonymized responses?	No	Date stamp?	Yes
Save IP address?	Yes	Save referrer URL?	Yes
Save timings?	Yes		

Please note that once responses have been collected with this survey and you want to add or remove groups/questions or change one of the settings above, you will need to deactivate this survey, which will move all data that has already been entered into a separate archived table.

**Save & activate survey**

**Cancel**



You can then decide on some settings. If you are unsure whether you should answer “Yes”, check the Participants’ settings section.

Note: once you have activated the survey, you will not be able to add or delete questions or question groups, nor add answer options. The only thing you will still be able to do, is edit the text of the questions and responses (i.e. correct spelling or make a sentence clearer).

Once you have clicked on the “Save / Activate survey” button, you will get the following screen:

### Activate survey (415872)

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Survey has been activated. Results table has been successfully created.

This survey is now active, and responses can be recorded.

**Open-access mode:** No invitation code is needed to complete the survey.

You can switch to the closed-access mode by initialising a survey participants table by using the button below.

[Switch to closed-access mode](#)

[No, thanks.](#)

If you select “Switch to closed-access mode”, respondents will need a unique access code (token) that you have to send to each participant.

If you select “No, thanks”, you need only to send the URL (internet address) of the survey to allow a participant to access the survey. Once you click on it, you will be sent to the homepage of the survey, where you can see the URL you need to communicate to participants:



## Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)

Survey URLs:	
English (Base language):	<a href="https://survey.kce.be/index.php/415872?lang=en">https://survey.kce.be/index.php/415872?lang=en</a>
Dutch:	<a href="https://survey.kce.be/index.php/415872?lang=nl">https://survey.kce.be/index.php/415872?lang=nl</a>
French:	<a href="https://survey.kce.be/index.php/415872?lang=fr">https://survey.kce.be/index.php/415872?lang=fr</a>
End URL:	-
Number of questions/groups:	6/2

Text elements:	
Description:	Test
Welcome:	Test
End message:	

Survey general settings:	
Administrator:	Carl Devos (carl.devos@kce.fgov.be)
Fax to:	
Theme:	Fruity Theme (fruity)

Publication and access settings:	
Start date/time:	-
Expiration date/time:	-
Listed publicly:	No



## 10. INVITE RESPONDENTS TO PARTICIPATE

You can then invite the participants by either sending them the URL (internet address of the survey) by email, or you can let LimeSurvey do it for you (see the section [Invite participants with LimeSurvey](#)): in that case, you will have to use the tokens.

Advantages of sending yourself the invitations:

- You don't need to manage tokens in the survey
- One invitation can be shared with several persons (e.g. contact the [info@](mailto:info@) from an organisation so that it can dispatch the survey to concerned colleagues, or the invitation can be sent by a umbrella organisation to its members)

Advantages of using LimeSurvey for the invitations management:

- You can see who has answered before the end of the survey
- Reminders are sent only to those who have not answered yet
- Only one answer per respondent will be recorded



## 11. PRINT YOUR SURVEY

If some respondents cannot answer online, you can print a survey for them to fill in and insert them manually once collected.

There are two ways to print a survey: either export a PDF, or print a browser version

### 11.1. PDF printing

LimeSurvey can generate a form in PDF format:

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey interface with the following steps highlighted:

1. In the top navigation bar, the "Settings" tab is selected (green background).
2. In the top navigation bar, the "Display/Export" tab is selected (highlighted with a red circle).
3. In the left sidebar under "Display/Export", the "queXML PDF export" option is selected (highlighted with a red circle).
4. In the bottom right corner of the export dialog, the "Export" button is highlighted with a red circle.

Surrounding elements include the LimeSurvey logo at the top right, a decorative graphic of colored squares in the top right corner, and the survey summary title "Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)" at the top center.

3. Select “queXML PDF export”
4. Click on the “Export” button



## queXML PDF export

Language selection **5**

Style:

```
td.questionTitle {font-weight:bold; font-size:12pt;}  
td.questionTitleSkipTo {font-weight:bold; font-size:16pt;}  
td.questionText {font-weight:bold; font-size:12pt;}  
td.questionSpecifier {font-weight:normal; font-size:12pt;}  
td.vasLabel {font-weight:bold; font-size:10pt; text-align:center;}  
td.questionHelp {font-weight:normal; text-align:right; font-style:italic; font-size:8pt;}  
td.questionHelpAfter {text-align:center; font-weight:bold; font-size:10pt;}  
td.questionHelpBefore {text-align:center; font-weight:bold; font-size:12pt;}  
td.responseAboveText {font-weight:normal; font-style:normal; text-align:left; font-size:12pt;}  
td.matrixResponseGroupLabel {font-weight:normal; font-style:normal; text-align:left; font-size:12pt;}  
span.sectionTitle {font-size:18pt; font-weight:bold;}
```

Minimum height of single choice answer boxes **9**

Allow array style questions to be split over multiple pages **Yes** **6**

Minimum height of subquestion items **10.5**

Allow single choice questions to be split over multiple pages **Yes**

Margin before questionnaireInfo element (mm) **5**

Allow multiple short text / numeric questions to be split over multiple pages **Yes**

Answer option / subquestion font size **10**

Allow slider questions to be split over multiple pages **Yes**

Answer label font size (normal) **7.5**

Page orientation: **Portrait** **Landscape**

Answer label font size (small) **6.5**

Page format: **A4** **A3** **US Letter**

Minimum section height (mm) **18**

Edge detection format: **Corner lines** **Corner boxes**

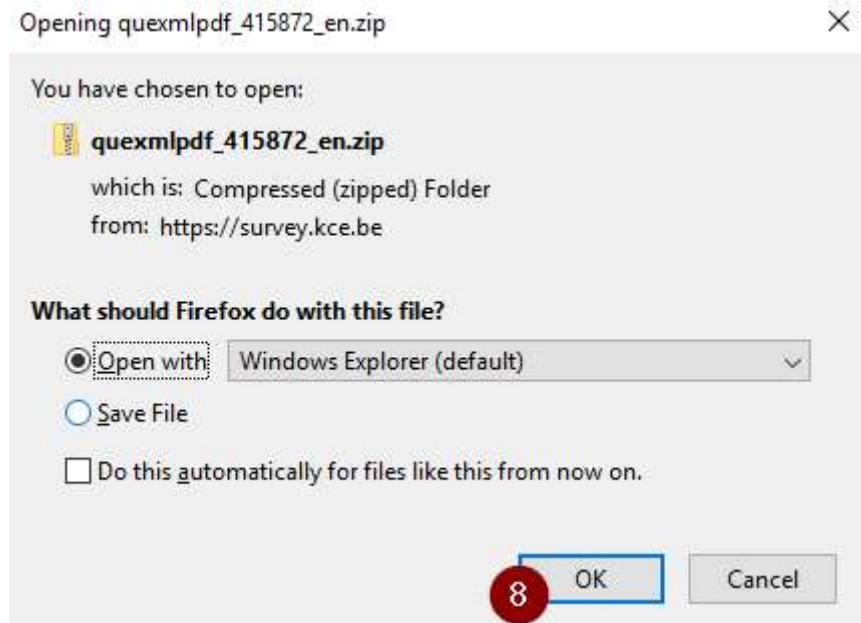
Background colour for sections (0 black - 255 white) **221**

Reset to default settings: **Reset now**

Background colour for questions (0 black - 255 white) **241**

queXML PDF export **7**

5. Select the language
6. Optional: change the settings (page format, etc.)
7. Click on the “queXML PDF export” button



8. Make sure that your browser proposes to open the file, then click on the “OK” button

Name	Type	Compressed size
quxf_banding_415872_en.xml	XML Document	2 KB
quexml_415872_en.xml	XML Document	1 KB
quexmlpdf_415872_en.pdf	PDF Document	4 072 KB
quexmlpdf_style_415872_en.xml	XML Document	1 KB
readme.txt	TXT File	1 KB

9. In Windows explorer, select the PDF file and double click on it to open it, then save it



## 11.2. Display printing

The screenshot shows the Survey summary page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with several buttons: 'Stop this survey', 'Execute survey', 'Tools', 'Display/Export' (which is highlighted in red), 'Survey participants', and 'Responses'. Below the navigation bar, the title 'Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)' is displayed. On the left side, there is a sidebar with the 'Survey settings' tab selected, which has a red circle with the number '1' over it. Under the 'Survey settings' tab, there is a link labeled 'Overview'.

1. Make sure you are in “Settings” mode
2. Click on Display/Export

The screenshot shows the 'Display/Export' dialog box. On the left, there is a list of export types:

- Survey structure (.iss)
- Survey archive (.isa)
- queXML format (\*.xml)
- queXML PDF export
- Tab-separated-values format (\*.txt)
- Printable survey (\*.html)
- 
- Printable survey (English) 3 >** (This item is highlighted with a red circle containing the number '3').
- Printable survey (Dutch)
- Printable survey (French)

On the right, there is a section titled 'Export type' with the heading 'Printable survey (English)'. It contains the following text:

This will open the survey in English as a printable page in new window.  
All necessary styles will be loaded, to print it just press Ctrl/Cmd+p or select print from your browser menu.  
It will not contain any logic or EM-functionality, you'll have to take that into account yourself.

At the bottom right of the dialog box, there are two buttons: 'Close' and 'Export' (which is highlighted in red). A red circle with the number '4' is placed over the 'Export' button.

3. Choose in which language you want to print it
4. Click on the “Export” button



## test CAD 2 themes (copy)

Test URL : <http://kce.fgov.be/>

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Test URL : <http://kce.fgov.be/>

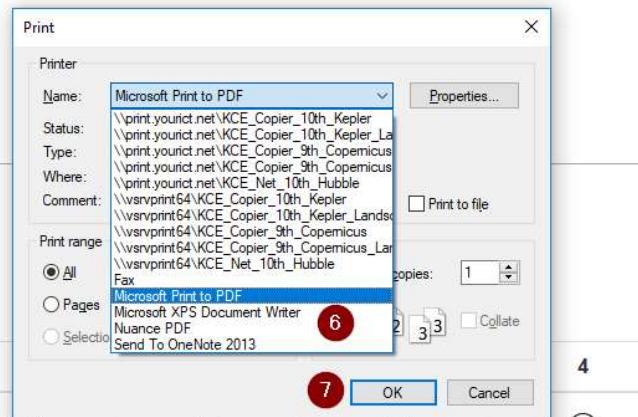
There are 6 questions in this survey.

### test question

Test URL : <http://kce.fgov.be/>

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

fruity	<input type="radio"/>				
vanilla	<input type="radio"/>				
bootswatch	<input type="radio"/>				



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OK Cancel

5. The survey is displayed in your browser, press Ctrl + P to print it
6. Select the printer (or choose to print to a PDF file)
7. Click on the "OK" button



## 12. OPTIONAL: SEND REMINDER(S)

Depending on the number of answers recorded, you might want to send a reminder to participants who have not yet answered. With tokens, the reminder will be sent by LimeSurvey only to those who have not answered yet. If you manage yourself the invitations, depending on information gathered in the survey, you will be able to manually identify who has already answered or not. This could help you avoid sending a reminder to those who have already taken part in the survey.



## 13. CLOSE YOUR SURVEY

To close a survey, you have two options:

- Set the date to end the survey, see the Publication & access control section
- Manually stop the survey
  1. Click on the “stop” button of an active survey:



### Survey summary : Het gebruik van humaan polyvalente immunoglobulines in België (ID 9871)

Survey URLs:	
Dutch (Base language):	<a href="https://survey.kce.be/index.php/987122?lang=nl">https://survey.kce.be/index.php/987122?lang=nl</a>
French:	<a href="https://survey.kce.be/index.php/987122?lang=fr">https://survey.kce.be/index.php/987122?lang=fr</a>
End URL:	-
Number of questions/groups:	45/5

Text elements:	
Description:	
Welcome:	
End message:	



2. Click on the “Expire survey” button: this should be the default action

**Stop this survey(415872)**

Warning: Please read this carefully before proceeding!

There are two ways to stop a survey. Please read carefully about the two options below and choose the right one for you.

**Expiration**

- No responses are lost.
- No participant information lost.
- Ability to change of questions, groups and parameters is still limited.
- An expired survey is not accessible to participants (they only see a message that the survey has expired).
- It's still possible to perform statistics on responses using LimeSurvey.

**Expire survey**

**2**

**Deactivation**

- All responses are not accessible anymore with LimeSurvey. Your response table will be renamed to: old\_415872\_20200713141250
- All participant information is lost.
- A deactivated survey is not accessible to participants (only a message appears that they are not permitted to see this survey).
- All questions, groups and parameters are editable again.
- You should export your responses before deactivating.

**Deactivate survey**

**3**

**Cancel**

**4**

3. Click on the “Deactivate survey”: the responses and participants information are lost. This could be used e.g. after a test with colleagues (to gather feedback): you need to modify the survey before starting it for real

As you can read, it is safer to expire a survey than to deactivate it (because you would lose all responses).



## 14. RESULTS

### 14.1. View results

You can consult results while the survey is running or after it is closed. There is a tool to view the results:

Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)

Responses & statistics 2

Data entry screen  
Partial (saved) responses

Summary Responses Data entry Statistics Timing statistics

Export Dutch 3 saved but not submitted responses Batch deletion

French

**Response summary**

Full responses	3
Incomplete responses	2
Total responses	5

1. Click on the “Responses” button
2. Click on “Responses & statistics”: you can see the response summary:

3. Click on the “Responses” button and choose in which language you want to see the questions and answers; they are now displayed as follows:



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Survey responses

Display mode: Extended Compact

<input type="checkbox"/>	id	seed	lastpage	completed	startlanguage	startdate Date started	datestamp Date last action	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	All <input type="button" value="▼"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	496881940	2	✓	en	13.07.2020 14:42:18	13.07.2020 14:42:44
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	All <input type="button" value="▼"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	1197334260	2	✓	nl	13.07.2020 16:16:11	13.07.2020 16:16:37
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	All <input type="button" value="▼"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	89294128	2	✓	fr	13.07.2020 16:16:57	13.07.2020 16:17:24
		Selected response(s)... <input type="button" value="▼"/>						

4. You can view the response in detail (in the browser or in a PDF), edit the response or delete it
5. If you want delete/export several responses, first select them
6. Then click on the “Selected response(s)...” button to select the action
7. You can also see partial responses that have not been submitted yet



## 14.2. Results analysis with LimeSurvey

For closed-ended questions, LimeSurvey can generate tables and graphics to resume the answers from the respondents. This is applicable for surveys which are running or which have been stopped.

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey interface with several numbered steps:

1. A red circle highlights the "Settings" button in the left sidebar.
2. A red circle highlights the "Responses..." button in the top navigation bar.
3. A red circle highlights the "Responses & statistics" link in the dropdown menu that appears when clicking "Responses...".
4. A red circle highlights the "Statistics" button in the bottom navigation bar of the response summary page.

The main content area displays the "Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)" page. The sidebar on the left lists "Survey settings" and "Overview". The top navigation bar includes buttons for "Stop this survey", "Execute survey", "Tools", "Display/Export", "Survey participants", and "Responses". The bottom navigation bar includes "Summary", "Responses", "Data entry", "Statistics" (which is highlighted with a red circle), and "Export".

**Response summary**

Full responses

Incomplete responses

Total responses

4. In the response summary, click on the “Statistics” button

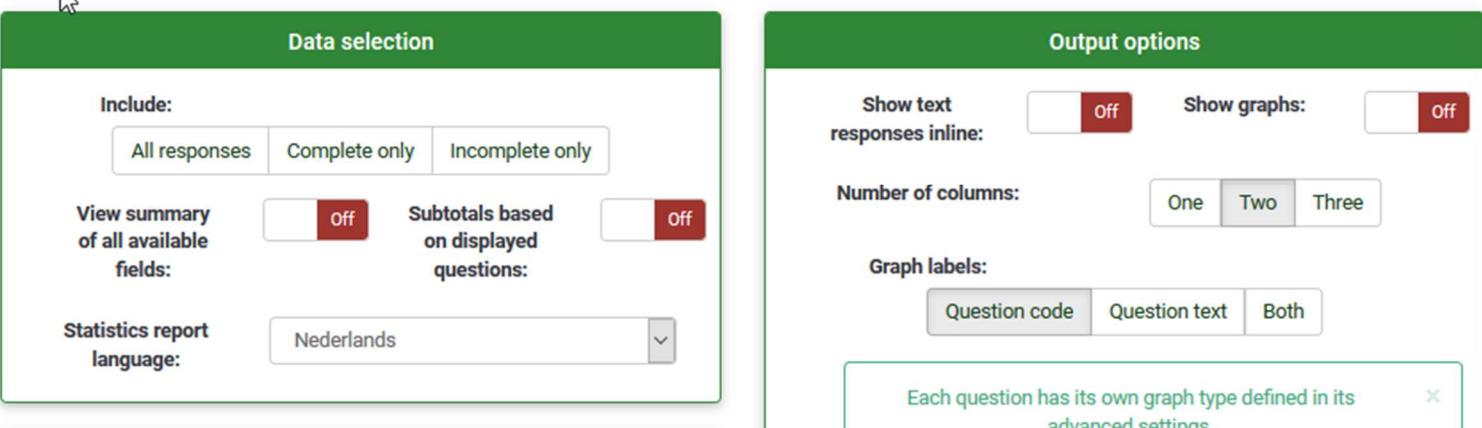


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**Statistics**

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**General filters ▾**



The screenshot shows the 'Statistics' page with two main sections: 'Data selection' and 'Output options'. In the 'Data selection' section, there are three tabs: 'All responses' (selected), 'Complete only', and 'Incomplete only'. Below these are two toggle switches: 'View summary of all available fields' (off) and 'Subtotals based on displayed questions' (off). A dropdown menu for 'Statistics report language' is set to 'Nederlands'. In the 'Output options' section, there are two more toggle switches: 'Show text responses inline' (off) and 'Show graphs' (off). Below these are three buttons for 'Number of columns': 'One' (selected), 'Two', and 'Three'. Under 'Graph labels', there are three buttons: 'Question code' (selected), 'Question text', and 'Both'. A note at the bottom states: 'Each question has its own graph type defined in its advanced settings.' with a close button.

5. To get a quick overview, click on the “Simple mode” button to get the graphics:

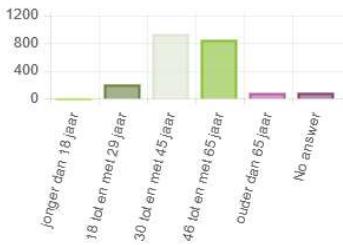


Expert mode Close 7

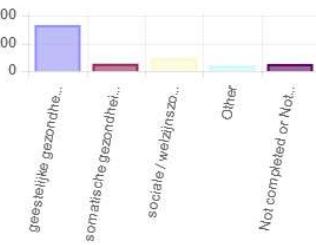
## Statistics

Include: All responses  
All responses 6  
Complete only  
Incomplete only

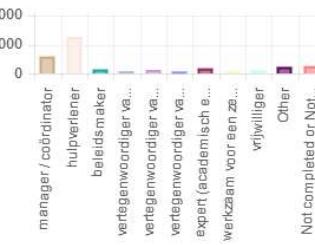
Wat is uw leeftijd?



U bent betrokken bij de...



als...



6. By default, all responses are included, but you can select to exclude (in)complete responses
7. When you are done, click on the “Close” button to go back to the main page of the survey

If you wish to have specific results only, or display figures in a table, you can use the advanced statistics mode:



Simple mode View statistics Clear Close

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### Statistics

#### General filters ▾

**Data selection**

Include: 1 All responses Complete only Incomplete only

View summary of all available fields: Off Subtotals based on displayed questions: Off

Statistics report language: 2 Nederlands

**Output options**

Show text responses inline: Off Show graphs: 3 Off

Number of columns: One Two Three

Graph labels: Question code Question text Both

Each question has its own graph type defined in its advanced settings. Using the chart type selector you can force the graph type for all selected questions.

Chart type: As defined in question settings

**Response ID**

Greater than:

Less than:

**Output format** 4

HTML PDF Excel

**Submission date**

Equals:

Later than:

Earlier than:

#### Response filters ▾

5 Algemene vragen (Question group205)

"Wat is uw leeftijd?"

"Wat is uw leeftijd? U bent... - # G1Q1"

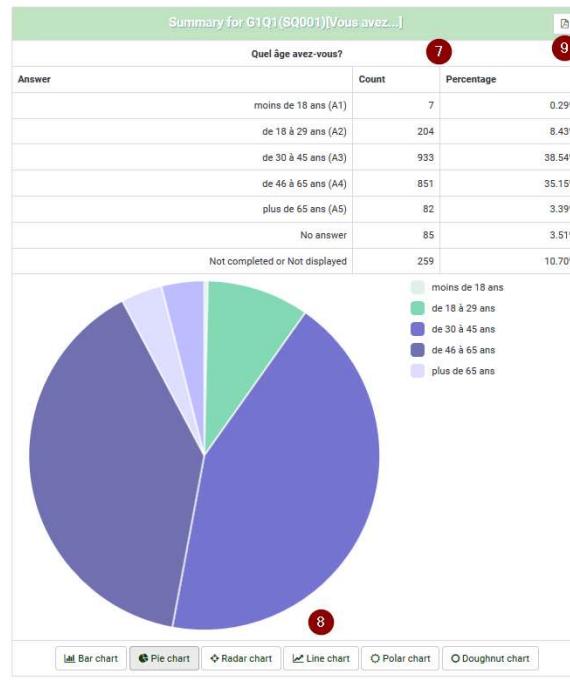
G1Q2 - "U bent betrokken bij de..."

geestelijke gezondheidszorgsector  
somatische gezondheidszorgsector  
sociale / welzijnszorgsector

1. Choose whether you want all responses, or only the (in)complete ones



2. Choose in which language to display the results
3. If you want to see the graphs, turn “Show graphs” to “On”
4. Choose the format of the output: HTML (a web page), PDF, or Excel
5. Choose which sections or which questions you would like to process
6. Click on “View statistics” when you are done



7. The table display the raw numbers (n) and the proportion (%)
8. You can change the type of chart to your convenience
9. By clicking on this top-right button, you will generate a PDF with the table and chart
10. Click on “Export images” if you wish to download the chart in a file

### 14.3. Insert data manually

You can insert data manually (e.g. from a paper questionnaire) as follows:

The screenshot shows the SurveyGizmo software interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with several buttons: 'Stop this survey' (red), 'Execute survey' (grey), 'Tools' (grey), 'Display/Export' (grey), 'Survey participants' (grey), 'Responses' (grey), and a dropdown menu. The 'Responses' button has a red circle with the number '2' above it. A green callout bubble points to the 'Settings' button on the left, which is also highlighted in green and has a red circle with the number '1' above it. Below the navigation bar, the main content area displays 'Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)'. On the left, a sidebar titled 'Survey settings' shows 'Overview' and other options. To the right of the sidebar, a dropdown menu is open, showing three options: 'Responses & statistics' (grey), 'Data entry screen' (green, highlighted with a red circle and the number '3'), and 'Partial (saved) responses' (grey).

1. Make sure you are in "Settings" mode
2. Click on the "Responses" button
3. Click on "Data entry screen"



Save Close

5

## Data entry

### test CAD 2 themes (copy)

Test URL : <http://kce.fgov.be/>

English ▾

Datestamp: 2020-07-16 15:37

IP address: NULL

Group 1

q1 test question 4  
Test URL : <http://kce.fgov.be/> fruity Please choose.. ▾

4. Fill in the survey
5. Click on the "Save" button when you are done, you then see the confirmation:

Success

The entry was assigned the following record id: 5

[Add another record](#)

[Return to survey administration](#)

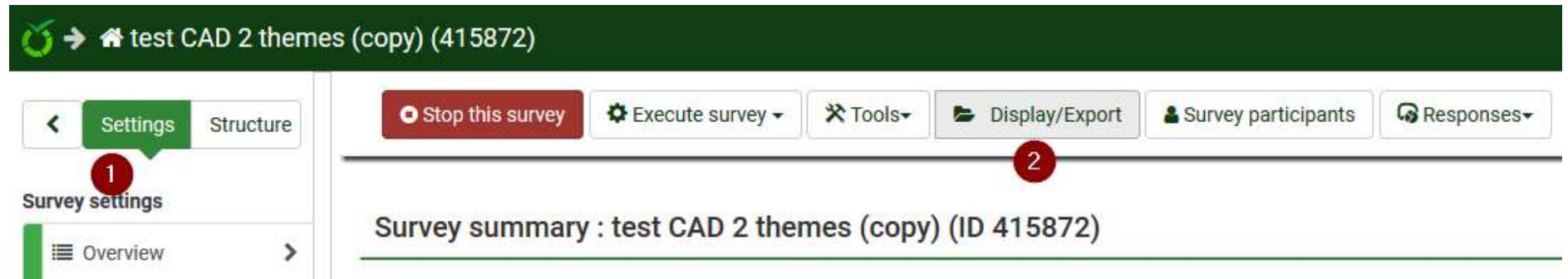
[View this record](#)



## 14.4. Export your results

### 14.4.1. LimeSurvey formats

You can either export the questions and answer options (in a .lss file) or export the questions, answer options and the responses (in a .lsa file, for active or expired surveys only):



The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey interface for a survey titled "test CAD 2 themes (copy) (415872)". The top navigation bar includes icons for back, forward, and search, followed by the survey title and a "Stop this survey" button. Below the title are several tabs: "Settings" (highlighted with a red circle labeled 1), "Structure", "Stop this survey", "Execute survey", "Tools", "Display/Export" (highlighted with a red circle labeled 2), "Survey participants", and "Responses". The main content area is titled "Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)".

1. Make sure you are in “Settings” mode
2. Click on the “Display/Export” button



## Display/Export



Survey structure (.lss)

Survey archive (.lsa) **3**

queXML format (\*.xml)

queXML PDF export

Tab-separated-values format (\*.txt)

Printable survey (\*.html)

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Printable survey (English)

Printable survey (Dutch)

Printable survey (French)

**Export type**  
**Survey archive (.lsa)**

This export is intended to create a complete backup of an active survey for archival purposes.

It will include the following data in a ZIP file ending with '.lsa'.

- Survey structure
- Response data (Attention: Doesn't include files uploaded in a file upload question. These have to be exported separately.)
- Survey participant data (if available)
- Timings (if activated)

**4**

**Close** **Export**

1. Choose the format to export: for the structure only (not the respondents' answers), click on "Survey structure (.lss)"; for the structure and answers (for active or expired surveys), click on "Survey archive (.lsa)"; you can also export to a form in PDF format: "queXML PDF export"
2. Click on the "Export" button to start downloading the chosen file type

.lss and .lsa files can then be imported in any instance of LimeSurvey (e.g. on your local computer if you have a running instance).

#### 14.4.2. For use in another software

If you plan to analyse the results in another software (e.g. Excel or SAS), here is how to proceed:

The screenshot shows the Survey summary interface with several numbered steps indicating the process:

1. Click on the "Settings" button in the top left.
2. Click on the "Responses" button in the top right.
3. Click on "Responses & statistics".
4. Click on the "Export" button in the top navigation bar.
5. Click on "Export responses".

The interface includes a "Survey settings" sidebar with "Overview" and "Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)" sections. The top navigation bar also features "Stop this survey", "Execute survey", "Tools", "Display/Export", "Survey participants", and "Responses". Below the navigation bar are buttons for "Summary", "Responses", "Data entry", "Statistics", "Timing statistics", "Export", and "Import".

#### Response summary

4. In the response summary, click on the "Export" button
5. Click on "Export responses"



Export results

Format

Export format:

CSV 6  Microsoft Excel  PDF  
 HTML  Microsoft Word

CSV field separator:

Com

General

Completion state:

All responses 7

Export language:

English 8

Range

From:

2

to:

4

Responses

Export responses as:

Answer codes 9  Full answers

Heads

Export questions as:

Question code  Abbreviated question text 10  
 Full question text  Question code & question text

Strip HTML code:

On

Convert spaces in question text to underscores:

Off

Text abbreviated:

Off

Use Expression Manager code:

Off

Number of characters:

15

Code/text separator:

-

Columns

Select columns:

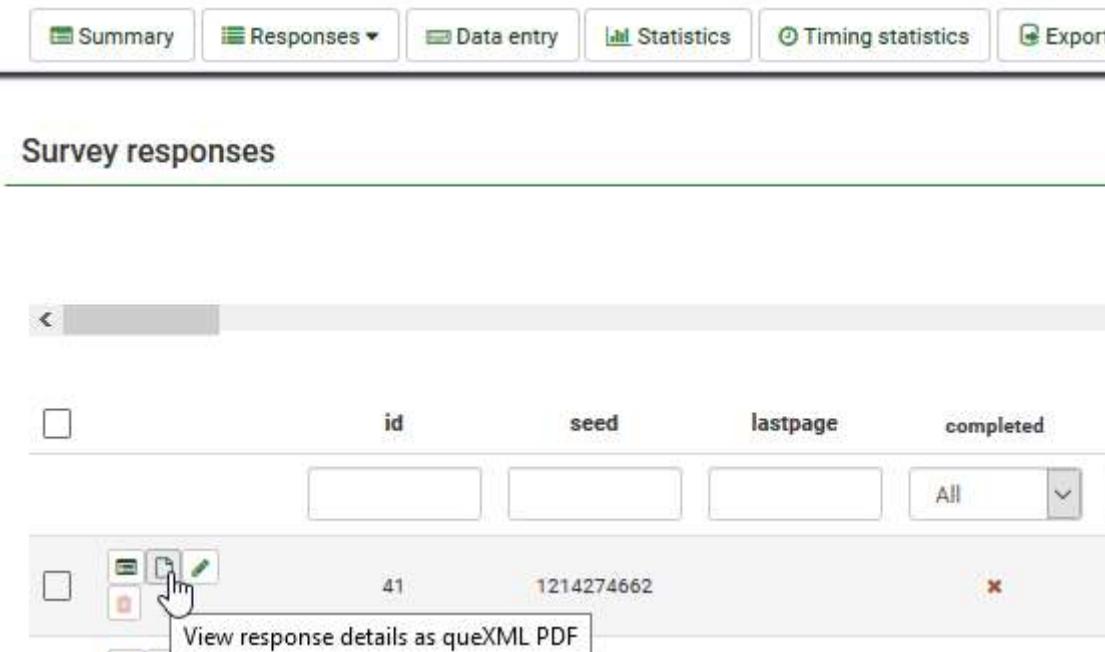
`id - Response ID  
submitdate - Date submitted  
lastpage - Last page  
startlanguage - Start language  
seed - Seed  
startdate - Date started  
datestamp - Date last action  
ipaddr - IP address  
refurl - Referrer URL  
q1[S0001] - test question Test URL - gov.be/ (fruity)  
q1[S0002] - test question Test URL - gov.be/ (vanilla)` 11

6. Choose the file format of the export (e.g. Excel, .csv)
7. Select the responses (all, complete or incomplete responses)
8. Select the language
9. Choose between “full answers” (default) or “Answer codes”
10. Choose how the questions are exported (default : full question text)
11. Select the columns (= questions) you want to export
12. Click on the “Export” button to download the file

#### 14.4.3. Export a single answer in PDF

Some respondents might ask to get a copy of their answers, there are two possibilities:

Print the queXML with answers (this is only possible in the base language): click on the sheet icon when viewing the survey responses:



The screenshot shows a software interface for managing survey responses. At the top, there is a navigation bar with several tabs: 'Summary', 'Responses' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Data entry', 'Statistics', 'Timing statistics', and 'Export'. Below the navigation bar, the title 'Survey responses' is displayed. The main area contains a table with columns: 'id', 'seed', 'lastpage', and 'completed'. There are search fields and dropdown menus for filtering these columns. A specific row in the table is highlighted, showing the id '41', seed '1214274662', and a completed status. To the left of this row is a checkbox. Below the table, there is a button labeled 'View response details as queXML PDF'. A mouse cursor is shown clicking on this button. The entire screenshot is framed by a light gray border.

As an alternative:

1. Click on the “View response details” icon when viewing the survey responses



## Survey responses

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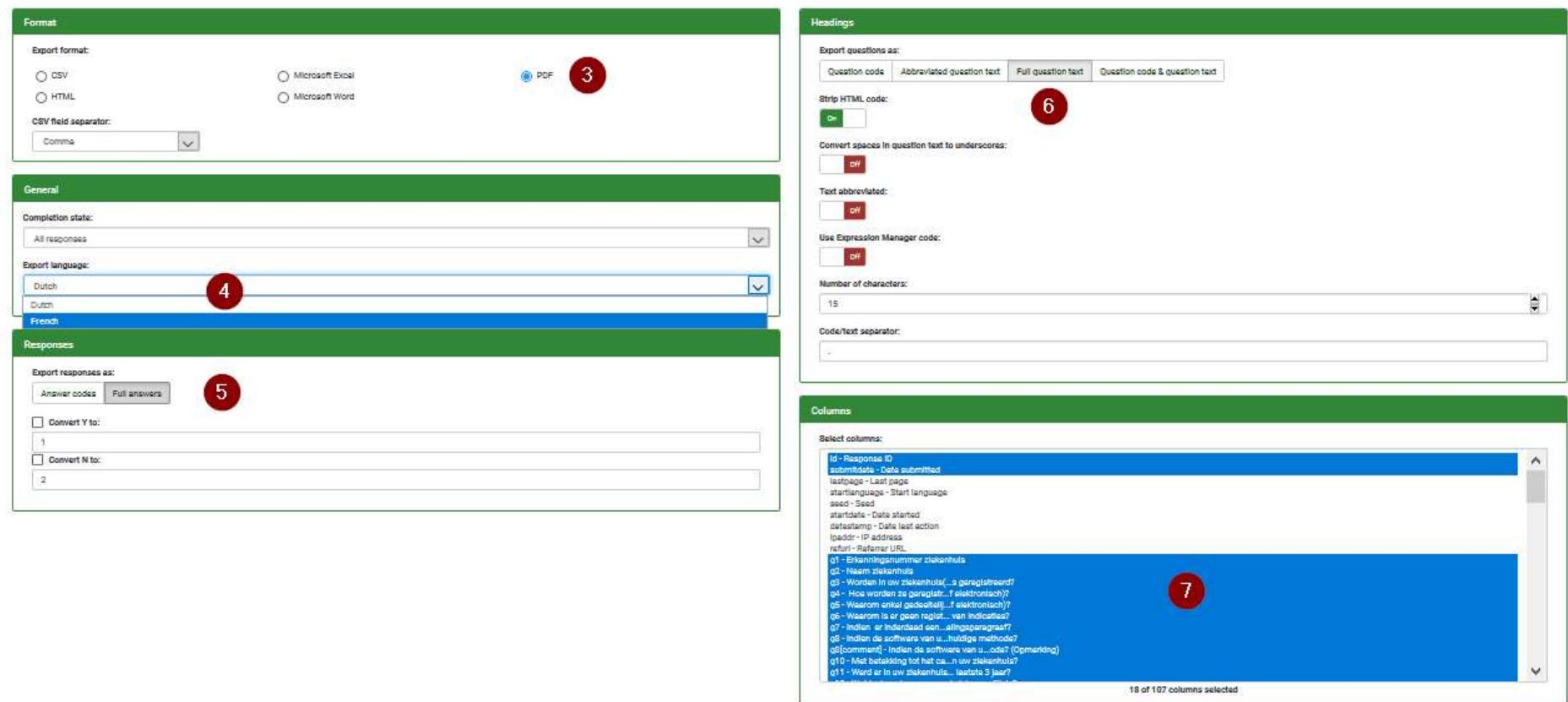
A screenshot of a web-based survey response details page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a back arrow and a search bar. Below the header, there is a table with three columns: a checkbox column, an "id" column, and a "seed" column. The "id" column contains the value "41", and the "seed" column contains the value "1214274662". Below the table, there is a row of icons for managing the response, including a delete icon, a file icon, and a pencil icon. A red circle with the number "1" is overlaid on the delete icon. To the right of the icons, the text "View response details" is visible. The entire interface has a clean, modern design with a light gray background.

2. Click on the “Export this response” button (not shown)

Export results - Single response: ID 41

Export 

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The screenshot shows the 'Export results' dialog box with several tabs and configuration options:

- Format Tab:** Shows export formats (CSV, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word) and a CSV field separator dropdown set to 'Comma'. The 'PDF' option is selected (circled in red as step 3).  
3
- General Tab:** Shows completion status ('All responses') and export language dropdown set to 'Dutch' (circled in red as step 4).  
4
- Responses Tab:** Shows export responses as 'Answer codes' or 'Full answers' (selected), and conversion options for Y and N values.  
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- Headings Tab:** Shows export question codes as 'Question code', 'Abbreviated question text', 'Full question text', or 'Question code & question text'. Other settings include 'Strip HTML code' (on), 'Convert spaces in question text to underscores' (off), 'Text abbreviated' (off), 'Use Expression Manager code' (off), and a character limit of 15.  
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- Columns Tab:** Shows a list of selected columns from a large list of available columns. The selected columns are:
  - Id - Response ID
  - submitted - Date submitted
  - lastpage - Last page
  - startlanguage - Start language
  - seed - Seed
  - startdate - Date started
  - laststamp - Date last action
  - ipaddr - IP address
  - refurl - Referrer URL
  - q1 - Erkenningsnummer ziekenhuis
  - q2 - Naam ziekenhuis
  - q3 - Worden in uw ziekenhuis(...\_a geregistreerd?)
  - q4 - Hoe worden ze geregistreerd(...\_f elektronisch)?
  - q5 - Waarom enkel gedownload(...\_f elektronisch)?
  - q6 - Waarom is er geen registrat...\_v� indicaties?
  - q7 - Indien je indraaide een...\_altingsparaagraaf?
  - q8 - Indien de software van u...\_huidige methodes?
  - q9 (comment) - Indien de software van u...\_aadt (Opmerking)
  - q10 - Met betrekking tot het ca...\_n uw ziekenhuis?
  - q11 - Word er in uw ziekenhuis...\_laatste 5 jaar?
 Total: 18 of 107 columns selected  
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3. Select "PDF" format
4. Select the language
5. Make sure that "Full answers" is selected
6. Make sure that "Full question text" is selected
7. Select the questions you want to export: select with shift + click or ctrl + click (don't select the timing variables)
8. Click on the "Export" button



## 15. TRANSLATIONS

It is possible to translate your questionnaire in other languages. First add a new language, then add the translation for each question: this can be done either question by question or with the quick translation tool.

### 15.1. Add another language

See Additional languages (section 3.1.7).

### 15.2. Translate a question

When editing questions (or groups), there is an additional tab for each other language:

Edit question: q1 (ID:6535)

English (Base language) Dutch French

Code: q1

Required

Question:

test question

General options

Display

Logic

Other

Statistics

The screenshot shows the 'Edit question' interface for a question with ID 6535. At the top, there are three tabs: 'English (Base language)', 'Dutch', and 'French'. The 'Dutch' and 'French' tabs are circled in red. To the right of the tabs are several buttons for navigating between tabs: 'General options', 'Display', 'Logic', 'Other', and 'Statistics'. Below the tabs is a 'Code:' field containing 'q1' and a 'Required' status indicator. Under the 'Question:' heading is a rich text editor with a toolbar containing icons for Source, Styles, Font, Size, and various text and media formats. A text area below the toolbar contains the placeholder text 'test question'.

You can click on it to write the translation (question and help), then save.

### 15.3. The quick-translation tool

This tool will enable you to translate systematically all language-dependent content. To access it:

The screenshot shows the SurveyGizmo interface. On the left, there's a sidebar titled "Survey settings" with a "Settings" tab highlighted (1). Below it is a list of sections: Overview (2), General settings, Text elements, Data policy settings, Theme options, Presentation, and Participant settings. In the center, there's a "Survey summary : test CAD 2 them" section. At the top, there's a toolbar with "Activate this survey", "Preview survey", "Tools" (3), "Display/Export", and "Survey participants". A dropdown menu from the "Tools" button is open, showing "Delete survey", "Quick-translation" (4), "Reset conditions", and "Iteration". Below the summary, there's a "Survey URLs:" table with rows for English (Base language), Dutch, French, and End URL. To the right of the table is a "Survey logic file" table with rows for English, Dutch, French, Regenerate question codes, Straight, and By question group, each with a corresponding URL.

Survey URLs:	
English (Base language):	<a href="https://872?lang=en">https://872?lang=en</a>
Dutch:	<a href="https://872?lang=nl">https://872?lang=nl</a>
French:	<a href="https://872?lang=fr">https://872?lang=fr</a>
End URL:	-

Survey logic file	
English	<a href="https://872?lang=en">872?lang=en</a>
Dutch	<a href="https://872?lang=nl">872?lang=nl</a>
French	<a href="https://872?lang=fr">872?lang=fr</a>
Regenerate question codes	
Straight	
By question group	

1. Click on “Settings”
2. Click on “Overview”
3. Click on the “Tools” button
4. In the menu, click on “Quick-translation”



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Save

Translate survey

Translate to: Dutch 5

Translate survey

Survey title and description 6 Question groups Questions Subquestions Answer options Invitation email subject Reminder email subject

Confirmation email subject Registration email subject

English Dutch

test CAD 2 themes (copy) 7

5. Select the language you want to translate to
6. Texts are groups in several tables (title and description, welcome and end text, question groups, questions, subquestions, answer options, etc.)
7. Translate the text in a tab, then click on another tab and translate again
8. When you are done, click on the “Save” button (if the questionnaire is long, better to save after a few minutes, then continue translating)
9. To leave the translation tool, click on “Overview” in the left menu or on the “Home” icon



## 16. TOKENS

If you need to track respondents and make sure that they only answer once, you can use an identifier called a “token”: this is a code that the respondent needs to access the survey.

To enable the use of tokens:

The screenshot shows the 'Survey summary' page for a survey titled 'Survey summary : test CAD 2 themes (copy) (ID 415872)'. At the top, there is a navigation bar with several buttons: 'Activate this survey', 'Preview survey', 'Tools', 'Display/Export', 'Survey participants' (which is highlighted with a red circle labeled '3'), and 'Responses'. On the left, there is a sidebar with 'Survey settings' and a 'Overview' button (labeled '2').

9. Click on “Settings”
10. Click on “Overview”
11. Click on the “Survey participants” button

**Survey participants have not been initialised for this survey.**

If you initialise a survey participants table for this survey then this survey will only be accessible to users who provide a token either manually or by URL.

Do you want to create a survey participant table for this survey?

[Initialise participant table](#) [No, thanks.](#)

12. Click on the “Initialise participant table”



## Survey participants

A participant table has been created for this survey. ("tokens\_415872")

[Continue](#)

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13. Click on the “Continue” button, you then see the survey participants menu:

Screenshot of the Survey participant summary page:

The page shows the following statistics:

Total records	0
Total with no unique token	0
Total invitations sent	0
Total opted out	0
Total screened out	0
Total surveys completed	0

On the left sidebar, under Survey settings, the "Survey participants" link is highlighted with a green oval.

Survey settings sidebar:

- Overview
- General settings
- Text elements
- Data policy settings
- Theme options
- Presentation
- Participant settings
- Notifications & data
- Publication & access

Survey menu sidebar:

- List questions
- List question groups
- Reorder questions/question groups
- Survey participants** (highlighted with a green oval)



You can then either

- Add participants manually,
- Create dummy tokens, or
- Import a comma separated values file (.csv) created with a software (e.g. a spreadsheet software, like LibreOffice or Microsoft Excel)

Example of a CSV file content to be uploaded:

*Identificatienummer,Leeftijdscategorie,Geslacht,token*

1,1,V,twus1  
2,1,V,dxej2  
3,1,V,iifc3

The token needs to be sent to the user in the invitation so that (s)he can gain access to the survey:

To participate in this restricted survey, you need a valid token.

If you have been issued a token, please enter it in the box below and click continue.

\* Token:

Continue

Language: English

Change the language

Invitations (and reminders) can be sent and managed by LimeSurvey; you then need to have the following fields:

- Email: mandatory
- Lastname: mandatory
- Firstname: mandatory
- Token: optional (if not present, it will be added by LimeSurvey when you import the file)



- Other optional fields if needed

Example of CSV file which, once imported, allows LimeSurvey to manage invitations:

```
token;firstname;lastname;email
FAO1000;Anne;Laurencin;anne.lau@hotmail.com
AAW1001;Luc;Duciel;luc.duciel@gmail.com
PKL1002;Steve;Coleman;steve.coleman@yahoo.com
NGR1003;Pierre;Nougrini;pierre.nougrini@skynet.be
NUS1004;Jos;Camembert;jos.camembert@telenet.be
```

The same file without the first column can also be used (but you will need to use a LimeSurvey functionality to generate the tokens, see below).

## 16.1. Import tokens from a CSV file

1. Create a CSV file with one line per respondent; if you want LimeSurvey to manage the invitations, the following variables are mandatory: firstname, lastname, email

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey 'Survey participants' page. At the top, there are four buttons: 'Display participants', 'Create...', 'Manage attributes', and 'Export'. The 'Create...' button is highlighted with a red circle containing the number '2'. Below the buttons, the page title 'Survey participants' is displayed. A dropdown menu is open under the 'Create...' button, with 'Import participants from:' as the heading. Two options are listed: 'CSV file' (which is highlighted with a red circle containing the number '3') and 'LDAP query'. Below the dropdown, there is a table with several rows showing participant statistics: 'Total records' (0), 'Total with no unique token' (0), 'Total invitations sent' (0), 'Total opted out' (0), 'Total screened out' (0), and 'Total surveys completed' (0).

Total records	0
Total with no unique token	0
Total invitations sent	0
Total opted out	0
Total screened out	0
Total surveys completed	0

2. In the "Survey participants" menu, click on the "Create..." icon

- 
3. Click on “CSV file”

### Import survey participants from CSV file

Choose the CSV file to upload:

No file selected. 4

Character set of the file:

(Automatic)

Separator used:

Automatic  Comma  Semicolon

Filter blank email addresses:

On

Allow invalid email addresses:

Off

Display attribute warnings:

Off

Filter duplicate records:

On

Duplicates are determined by:

First name - firstname

Last name - lastname

Email address - email

Email status - emailstatus

Token - token

Language code - language

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4. Click on the “Browse” button to select your csv file; change import options if needed (duplicate entries definition, etc.)
5. Click on the “Upload” button



## Uploaded CSV file successfully

Successfully created token entries

5 records in CSV  
5 records met minimum requirements  
5 records imported

[Browse participants](#)

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6. Click on the “Browse participants” button to see the participants:

<a href="#">Display participants</a> <a href="#">Create...</a> <a href="#">Manage attributes</a> <a href="#">Export</a> <a href="#">Invitations &amp; reminders</a> <a href="#">Generate tokens</a> <a href="#">View in CPDB</a> <a href="#">Delete participants table</a>													
<input type="checkbox"/> Action	ID	First name	Last name	Email address	Email status	Token	Language	Invitation sent?	Reminder sent?	Reminder count	Completed?	Uses left	Value
<input type="checkbox"/>													
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Anne	Laurencin	anne.lau@hotmail.com	OK	FAO1000	en	-	-	0	-	-	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Luc	Duciel	luc.duciel@gmail.com	OK	AAW1001	en	-	-	0	-	-	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Steve	Coleman	steve.coleman@yahoo.com	OK	PKL1002	en	-	-	0	-	-	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Pierre	Nougrini	pierre.nougrini@skynet.be	OK	NGR1003	en	-	-	0	-	-	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Jos	Camembert	jos.camembert@telenet.be	OK	NUS1004	en	-	-	0	-	-	1

[Selected participant\(s\)...](#) ▾

Displaying 1-5 of 5 result(s).  rows per page

If you have not put a “token” variable in your csv file, you need to generate the tokens:

The screenshot shows a software interface for managing survey participants. On the left, a sidebar titled "Survey settings" lists various options like Overview, General settings, and Data policy settings. The main area is titled "Survey participant summary" and displays a table of statistics. At the top of the main area, there is a navigation bar with several buttons: "Display participants", "Create...", "Manage attributes", "Export", "Invitations & reminders", "Generate tokens" (which has a red circle with the number 1 over it), "View in CPDB", and "Delete participants table".

Total records	5
Total with no unique token	5
Total invitations sent	0
Total opted out	0
Total screened out	0
Total surveys completed	0

1. Click on the “Generate tokens” button

## Create tokens

Clicking 'Yes' will generate tokens for all those in this token list that have not been issued one. Continue?

2

Yes

No

2. Click on the “Yes” button

## Create tokens

5 tokens have been created.

3

Ok

3. Click on the “OK” button



## 16.2. Export tokens to a CSV file

The screenshot shows the 'Survey participant summary' page. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Survey settings' and 'Survey menu' sections. The 'Survey settings' section has a 'Settings' tab highlighted with a red circle containing the number 1. The 'Survey menu' section has a 'Survey participants' item highlighted with a red circle containing the number 2. At the top right, there's a toolbar with several buttons: 'Display participants', 'Create...', 'Manage attributes', 'Export' (highlighted with a red circle containing the number 3), 'Invitations & reminders', 'Generate tokens', and 'View in CPDB'.

1. Click on "Settings"
2. Click on "Survey participants"
3. Click on the "Export" button



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Download CSV file

x Close

## Survey participant export options

### Survey status:

### Invitation status:

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### Reminder status:

### Filter by language:

### Filter by email address:

Only export entries which contain this string in the email address.

### Delete exported participants:

Warning: Deleted participants entries cannot be recovered.

4. Make a selection (all token, survey completed or not, language, etc.) if needed
5. Click on "Download CSV file"
6. Save the CSV file (not shown) on your computer



## 16.3. Change the general settings for the tokens

You might want to do the following (but it is not mandatory) before activating the survey (but you can do it afterwards too):

The screenshot shows the 'Survey participant settings' page. On the left, a sidebar lists 'Survey settings' (Overview, General settings, Text elements, Data policy settings, Theme options, Presentation, Participant settings, Notifications & data, Publication & access) and 'Survey menu' (List questions, List question groups, Reorder questions/question group). Step 1 is highlighted on the 'Settings' button in the sidebar. Step 2 is highlighted on the 'Participant settings' button. Step 3 is highlighted on the 'Enable token-based response persistence?' switch. Step 4 is highlighted on the 'Save' button at the top right.

Activate this survey

Tools

Survey participants

Save

### Survey participant settings

Set token length to:

Anonymized responses:  Off

Enable token-based response persistence:  Off

Allow multiple responses or update responses with one token:  Off

Allow public registration:  Off

Use HTML format for token emails:  On

Send confirmation emails:  On

1. Click on “Settings”
2. Click on “Participant settings”
3. Switch “Enable token-based response persistence?” to “Yes” and “Allow multiple responses or update responses with one token?” to “Yes”
4. Click on the “Save” button

This way, the respondents can modify their answers any time before the survey is closed.

## 16.4. Invite participants with LimeSurvey

Once you have completed the tokens table (with a token, an email, first name and last name at least) and activated the survey, you can let LimeSurvey send the invitations for you.

The screenshot shows the LimeSurvey interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with sections like Survey settings, Survey menu, and a navigation bar with icons for back, forward, and search. The main area is titled 'Survey participant summary' and displays a table of statistics:

Total records	5
Total with no unique token	0
Total invitations sent	0
Total opted out	0
Total screened out	0
Total surveys completed	0

At the top right, there's a dropdown menu labeled 'Invitations & reminders' (numbered 3). A sub-menu is open, containing the following items:

- Send email invitation (numbered 5)
- Send email reminder
- Edit email templates (numbered 4)
- Start bounce processing
- Bounce settings

1. Click on "Settings"
2. Click on "Survey participants" (numbered 2)
3. Click on the "Invitations & reminders" button (numbered 3)
4. Click on "Edit email templates" (see below)
5. Once you have customised the template, click on "Send email invitation":



Send invitations  Close

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**Send email invitations**

Send invitation email to token ID(s): **1, 2, 3, 4, 5** Bypass token with failing email addresses:  On  Off Bypass date control before sending email:

English (Base language) **9** Dutch French

**From:** **6** **Invitation to participate in a survey**

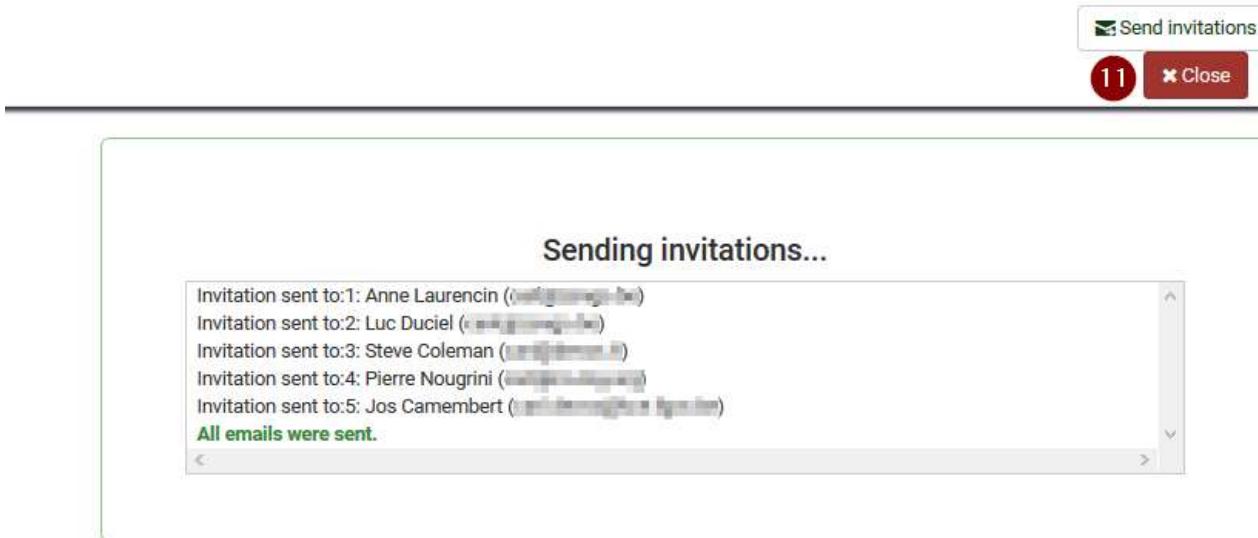
**Subject:** **7** Invitation to participate in a survey

**Message:**

Dear {FIRSTNAME},  
you have been invited to participate in a survey.  
The survey is titled:  
"test CAD 2 themes (copy)" **8**  
Test URL : <http://kce.fgov.be/>  
To participate, please click on the link below.

**Send invitations** **10**

6. Make sure that the sender is the one you wish (e.g. your email address)
7. Modify the email subject if needed
8. Modify the email body if needed
9. Same of other languages
10. Click on the “Send invitations” button



11. The emails were sent, click on the “Close” button

To edit the template, after 4 here above:



5 Save

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## Edit email templates

English (Base language) Dutch French 4

Invitation 1 Reminder Confirmation Registration Basic admin notification Detailed admin notification

**Invitation email subject:**  
Invitation to participate in a survey 2

**Invitation email body:**

Dear {FIRSTNAME}, 3  
you have been invited to participate in a survey.  
The survey is titled:  
"(SURVEYNAME)"  
"(SURVEYDESCRIPTION)"

body

**Actions:**

Validate expressions Reset this template

1. Select the type of email (invitation, reminder, confirmation, etc.) you want to customise
2. Change the email subject if needed
3. Change the email body if needed
4. Do the same for other language if applicable
5. Click on the "Save" button when you are done (i.e. types of email have been customised)

If you added some extra participants after sending the invitation, you can send invitations again: only the participants who have not received an invitation will get one.

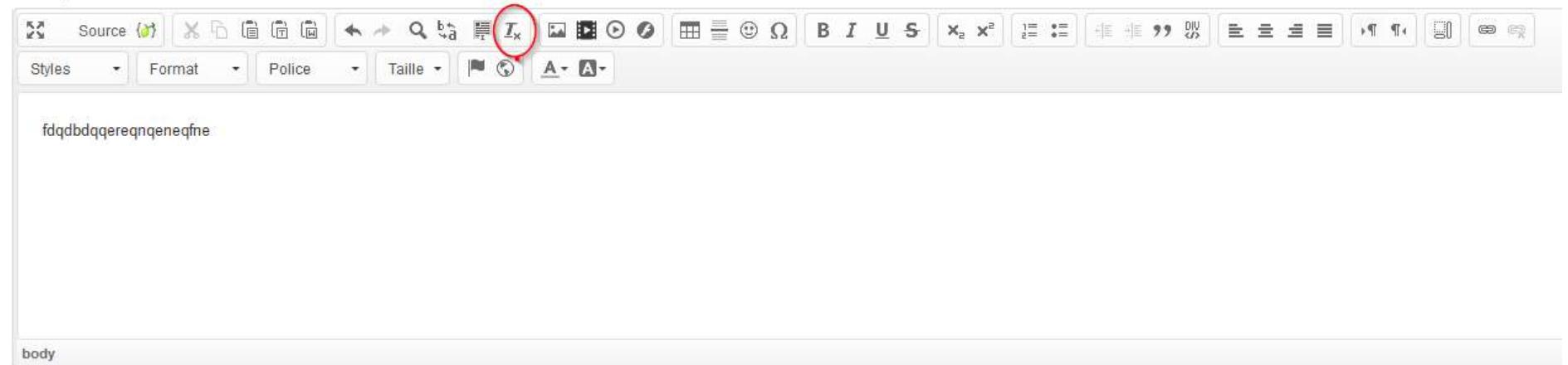


## 17. TIPS

### 17.1. Font issues

- When you add links to a website, it's not visible. While in the rest of the survey, per default the links are shown in another colour.--> underline the link to make it more visible
- When copying text from word into LimeSurvey, the lay out is not taken. (Bold etc.) Moreover, sometimes a totally different layout. First clear the style using the button and then format the text

Description :





## 17.2. How to change the mandatory status of several (all) questions at once

The screenshot shows the 'Survey settings' interface. At the top, there are three tabs: a back arrow, 'Settings' (which is highlighted with a green background and has a red circle with the number '1' above it), and 'Structure'. Below the tabs is a sidebar titled 'Survey settings' containing the following options:

- Overview
- General settings (highlighted with a green background and has a red circle with the number '1' above it)
- Text elements
- Data policy settings
- Theme options
- Presentation
- Participant settings
- Notifications & data
- Publication & access

At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a 'Survey menu' with two items: 'List questions' (highlighted with a green background and has a red circle with the number '2' above it) and 'List questions'.

1. Click on “Settings”
2. Click on “List questions”



## Questions in this survey

3	Question ID	Question order	Question Code	Question
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6535	1	q1	test question Test URL : http://kce.fgov.be/

3. Click on the top tickbox to select all questions, or select the questions whose state you wish to change

General

Delete

Set question group and position

\* Set "Mandatory" state **5** 

Set CSS class

Set statistics options

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Advanced (only apply to certain question types)

Set "Other" state

Present subquestions/answer options in random order

**Selected question(s)... ▾ 4**

4. At the bottom of the page, click on the “Selected question(s)...” button
5. Click on “Set Mandatory state”; if you don’t see this option, it is because your survey is active you must deactivate/expire your survey first.



### Set "Mandatory" state



6. Select the state you wish for all questions (mandatory[On] or optional [Off])
7. Click on the “Apply” button

### 17.3. How to insert images as answer options:

Save Save and close Close

Edit answer options q10 (ID: 9465)

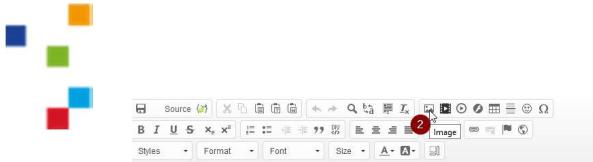
English (Base language) Dutch French

Position	Code	Answer option	Actions
A1		  	
A2		  	
A3	Some example answer option	  	

Start HTML editor in a popup window

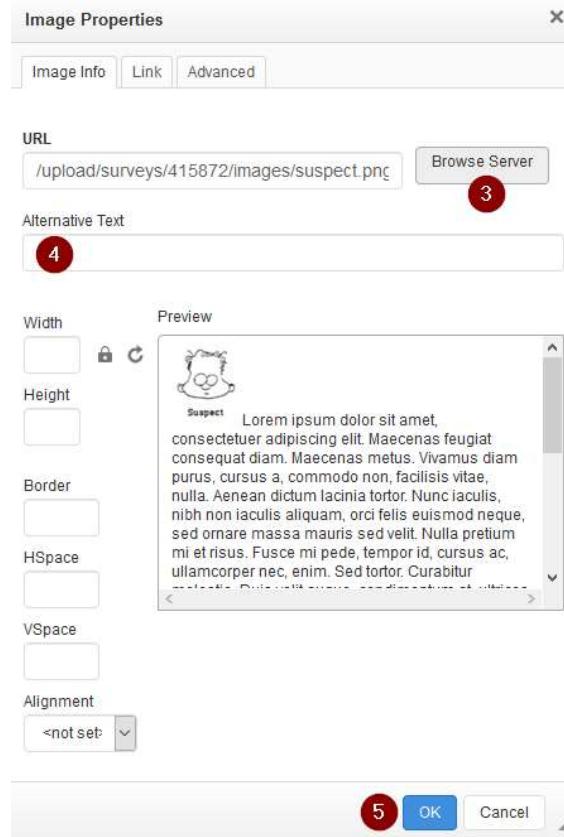
Predefined label sets... Quick add... Save as label set

1. Click on the pen to start the HTML editor in a popup window

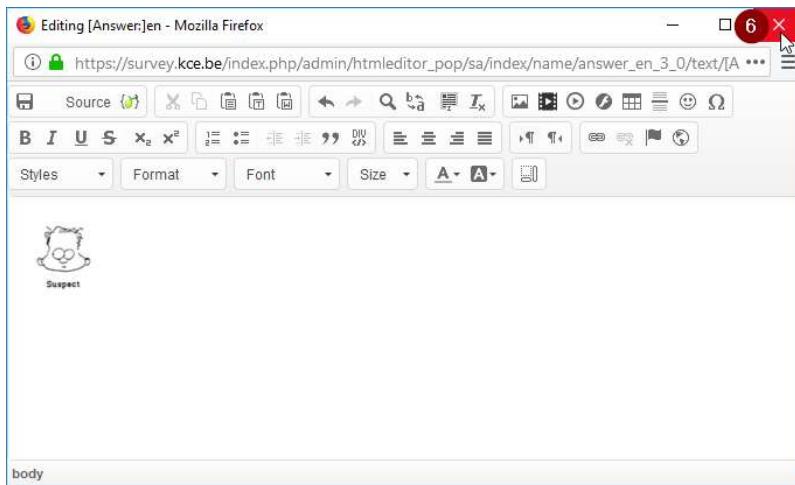


body

2. Click on the “Image” icon



3. Click on the “Browse Server” button and select the image you want
4. Type in the alternative text
5. Click on the “OK” button (you might need to enlarge the window to see the “OK” button)



6. Click on the cross to close the popup window

7

Position	Code	Answer option	Actions
☰	A1		
☰	A2		
☰	A3		

7. Repeat for other answers with other images, then when you are done, click on the "Save and Close" button



Here is how your question will look like:

- With the question type “single choice questions” > “List (radio)”:

Select an image

ⓘ Choose one of the following answers

-   
Anxieux
-   
Épuisé
-   
Suspect
- No answer

- With the question type “multiple choice”:

Select an image

ⓘ Check all that apply

-   
Anxieux
-   
Épuisé
-   
Suspect