How can I test my website when my domain name isn't pointing to it yet and it won't work properly on a tem

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Occasionally, a temporary URL will not be suitable to test your website before the domain name is pointing to it. For require the URLs to be in a certain format, or if all the links are absolute URLs instead of relative URLs. What you can computer's hosts file. This means that your computer will resolve the domain name to the server you are testing or can access the website via the domain name, but the rest of the world cannot. The hosts file for your computer will be C:\\Windows\System32\drivers\etc

Mac: /private/etc/hosts Open the hosts file in a text editor, and add these lines to the end of the file: [IP ADDRESS] [IP ADDRESS] [www.your-domain.com] Replace [IP ADDRESS] with the IP address of the server you are working of want the website to point to. You can get the IP address from the temporary URL given in your eXtend Control Pane Dedicated Server, the IP address assigned to your server. Save the changes you've made to your hosts file, then closed your-domain.com, it will resolve to the IP address, and you can test it to see how the site will be when it is live. Once delete that information from the hosts file.

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