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# Use the front controller as index file. It serves as a fallback solution when  
# every other rewrite/redirect fails (e.g. in an aliased environment without  
# mod_rewrite). Additionally, this reduces the matching process for the  
# start page (path "/") because otherwise Apache will apply the rewriting rules  
# to each configured DirectoryIndex file (e.g. index.php, index.html, index.pl).  
DirectoryIndex app.php
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<IfModule mod_rewrite.c>  
  Options +FollowSymlinks  
  RewriteEngine On  
  
  # Explicitly disable rewriting for front controllers  
  RewriteRule ^app_dev.php - [L]  
  RewriteRule ^app.php - [L]  
  
  RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f  
  
  # Change below before deploying to production  
  #RewriteRule ^(.*)$ /app.php [QSA,L]  
  RewriteRule ^(.*)$ /app_dev.php [QSA,L]
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</IfModule>
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<IfModule !mod_rewrite.c>  
  <IfModule mod_alias.c>  
    # When mod_rewrite is not available, we instruct a temporary redirect of  
    # the start page to the front controller explicitly so that the website  
    # and the generated links can still be used.  
    RedirectMatch 302 ^/$ /app.php/  
    # RedirectTemp cannot be used instead  
  </IfModule>  
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