



HTML Cheatsheet Guide

Basic Tags

`<html></html>`
Creates an HTML document

`<head></head>`
Sets off the title and other information that isn't displayed on the web page itself

`<body></body>`
Sets off the visible portion of the document

Header Tags

`<title></title>`
Puts the name of the document in the title bar

`<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">`
Declares a transitional XHTML document (At least one DTD is required)

`<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1">`
Declares the content type as ISO-8859-1 (Western Europe) characters

Text Tags

`<pre></pre>`
Creates pre formatted text

`<h1></h1>`
Creates the largest headline

`<h6></h6>`
Creates the smallest headline

`<tt></tt>`
Creates teletype, or typewriter-style text

`<cite></cite>`
Creates a citation, usually italic

`<em></em>`
Emphasizes a word (with italic or bold)

`<strong></strong>`
Emphasizes a word (with italic or bold)

Formatting

`<p></p>`
Creates a new paragraph

`<p align=?>`
Aligns a paragraph to the left, right, or center

`<br/>`
Inserts a line break

`<blockquote></blockquote>`
Indents text from both sides

`<dl></dl>`
Creates a definition list

`<dt>`
Precedes each definition term

`<dd>`
Precedes each definition

`<ol></ol>`
Creates a numbered list

`<li></li>`
Precedes each list item, and adds a number

`<ul></ul>`
Creates a bulleted list

`<div align=?>`
A generic tag used to format large blocks of HTML, also used for stylesheets

Forms

For functional forms, you'll have to run a script. The HTML just creates the appearance of a form.

`<form></form>`
Creates all forms

`<option>`
Sets off each menu item

`<select multiple name="NAME" size=?></select>`
Creates a scrolling menu. Size sets the number of menu items visible before you need to scroll.

`<select name="NAME"></select>`
Creates a pull-down menu

`<textarea name="NAME" cols=40 rows=8></textarea>`
Creates a text box area. Columns set the width; rows set the height.

`<input type="checkbox" name="NAME">`
Creates a checkbox. Text follows tag.

`<input type="radio" name="NAME" value="x">`
Creates a radio button. Text follows tag

`<input type="text" name="foo" size=20>`
Creates a one-line text area. Size sets length, in characters.

`<input type="submit" value="NAME">`
Creates a Submit button

`<input type="image" border=0 name="NAME" src="name.gif">`
Creates a Submit button using an image

Graphical Elements

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Adds an image and a description

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Aligns an image: left, right, center; bottom, top, middle

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Sets size of border around an image

`<hr>`
Inserts a horizontal rule

`<hr size=?>`
Sets size (height) of rule

`<hr width=?>`
Sets width of rule, in percentage or absolute value

`<hr noshade>`
Creates a rule without a shadow

Links

`<a href="URL"></a>`
Creates a hyperlink

`<a href="mailto:EMAIL"></a>`
Creates a mailto link

`<a name="NAME"></a>`
Creates a target location within a document

`<a href="#NAME"></a>`
Links to that target location from elsewhere in the document