

Tag Reference

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This is a short list of the most commonly used HTML anchors and attributes:

Tag	Attributes (if any)	Description
DOCUMENT ANCHORS		
<!-- -->		Comments not displayed by the web browser. Comments can span more than one line.
<HTML></HTML>	VERSION= "... " – indicates the version of HTML used in the document.	Identifies the page as a document containing HTML tags for the browser.
<HEAD></HEAD>		Provides information for the browser that does not affect the display of the page. Section of an HTML page that does not display information on a web page.
<TITLE></TITLE>		The name of your web page displayed in the web browser's title bar. Can only be used within the <HEAD> tag.
<META>	CONTENT="" HTTP-EQUIV="" NAME="" SCHEME=""	Contains information about your document useful to the web browser and search engines.
<BODY></BODY>		Holds the main part of the document and must follow the head section. This tag is used to set the main formatting that will effect the document. From HTML 4.0 the preferred way to set the background, text color, link color is through style sheets.
		Used to organized segments of text.
<CODE></CODE>		Used to organized segments of text.
<CITE></CITE>		Displays information as a citation.
<Q></Q>		Short one line quote.

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<BLOCKQUOTE> </BLOCKQUOTE>		Displays information as long passages of text indented on both sides.
FORMATTING ANCHORS		
<body bgcolor=?>		Using the named color (i.e. "blue") or a hexadecimal value, sets the background color of the web page.
<body text=?>		Using the named color (i.e. "blue") or a hexadecimal value, sets the text color of the web page.
<body link=?>		Using the named color (i.e. "blue") or a hexadecimal value, sets the link color of the web page.
<body vlink=?>		Using the named color (i.e. "blue") or a hexadecimal value, sets the color of the link after it has been activated.
<body alink=?>		Using the named color (i.e. "blue") or a hexadecimal value, sets the color of the link after it has been clicked on web page.
		Generates a new font size, font color, and font type for the text enclosed between the tags.
		Generates a font size. Font sizes range from 1 to 7
		Using the named color (i.e. "blue") or a hexadecimal value, sets the font color of.
<PRE></PRE>		Displays preformatted text
<P></P>	<ALIGN=?> – Aligns text center, left or right.	Does the same thing as , creates a new paragraph but it skips a line in between paragraphs.
 		Ends your current line and starts on the very next (carriage return)
<HR> <HR SIZE=""> <HR WIDTH=""> <HR NOSHADE>	SIZE=?> – sets height WIDTH=?> – sets width as percentage or absolute value NOSHADE = rule without a shadow	Horizontal line across the page
		Renders text in bold.
		Produces italic text
		Emphasizes enclosed text, either in italic or bold
 		Emphasizes enclosed word, using italic or bold
 		Strikethrough

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<TT></TT>		Produces teletype text style, or typewriter text style
<H1></H1>		There are six sizes from <H1>, which is the largest to <H6>, which is the smallest
<H2></H2>		
<H3></H3>		
<H4></H4>		
<H5></H5>		
<H6></H6>		
<H7></H7>		Only in browsers 3.0 and higher
<H8></H8>		Only in browsers 3.0 and higher
<CENTER></CENTER>		Allows you to center text and images. End tag turns off the centering of the text or image.
<cite></cite>		Produces a citation, normally in italic print
<div align=?>		Used to format blocks of text, also used when creating cascading style sheets.
<MARQUEE></MARQUEE>		Creates scrolling text.
[,]		Produces superscript text.
_,		Produces subscript text.
LIST ANCHORS		
<DD> </DD>		Begins a definition list.
<DL> </DL>		Used at the beginning of an ordered list to create a definition list.
<DT> </DT>		Label used in a definition list.
 		Adds a number to each list item.
 	TYPE="" – type of symbol (bullet) to be used (e.g. circle, square)	Starts an unordered bulleted list.
 	START="" – Indicates the number to start with. TYPE="" – i.e. (1, a,A,i,I)	Starts a ordered numbered list.
LINK ANCHORS		
<A>		Creates a hyperlink to the address of the URL.
		Produces a link within the same web page.
		Used with the anchor directly above. Links to the matching link within

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		same web page.
		
	 	Produces a link that will open the default email program with the address filled in the email message.
TABLE ANCHORS – Tables have been used in the past to display data using columns and rows. Since HTML 4.0 the norm has become style sheets. The attributes have been included for completeness.		
<CAPTION> </CAPTION>	ALIGN="" – Centering text left, right, justified or centered	
<TABLE></TABLE>	ALIGN="" – Aligns text BGCOLOR="" – sets the background color of the table FRAME="" – shows the sides of a table (above, below, box, border, etc) RULES="" – shows the lines between columns and rows (cols, rows, none, all) COLS="" – sets the number of columns WIDTH="" – sets the width of the table in percent or pixels BORDER="" – sets the width of the border around the table CELLSPACING="" – sets spaces between cells CELLPADDING="" – sets spaces within the cells.	Creates a table.
<TD></TD>	ROWSPAN="" – number of rows a column can span (default=1) COLSPAN="" – number of columns a row can span ALIGN="" – aligns text within a cell center, left or right (horizontally). VALIGN="" – aligns text within a cell vertically. BGCOLOR="" – sets the background of the cell. NOWRAP – likes within a cell cannot be broken.	Formats a cell within a table.
<TR></TR>	ROWSPAN="" – number of rows a column can span ALIGN="" – aligns text within a cell center, left or right (horizontally). VALIGN="" – aligns text within a cell vertically. BGCOLOR="" – sets the background of the	Formats a row of cells within a table.

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	cell.	
<TH></TH>	ROWSPAN="" – number of rows a column can span COLSPAN="" – number of columns a row can span ALIGN="" – aligns text within a cell horizontally. VALIGN="" – aligns text within a cell vertically. BGCOLOR="" – sets the background of the cell.	Formats the cell of the table header.
FRAME ANCHORS – Divides the HTML page into sections.		
<FRAME> </FRAME>	NAME="" – Names the frame allowing it to be targeted by other frames SRC="URL" – Where the web browser finds the text to be displayed in the frame FRAMEBORDER="" Turns the border on and off (1,0) MARGINWIDTH="" –sets the left and right margin, the spacing between the frame and text, must be =>1 MARGINHEIGHT="" –sets the spacing between the top and bottom margin of the frame and the text, must be =>1 NORESIZE="" Disables resizing of the frame SCROLLING="" – Enables a scrollbar (no, yes, auto). Auto is the default.	Enables a web page to be divided into more than one area. Can be divided horizontally or vertically.
<FRAMESET> </FRAMESET>	ONLOAD="" – events are triggered when a page is loaded by the browser ONUNLOAD="" – events are triggered when a page is unloaded. ROWS="VALUE,VALUE" – sets the number of rows, in either percent or pixels. COLS=" VALUE,VALUE" – sets the number of columns, in either percent or pixels.	Allows tags within a frames document to be nested within other framesets.
<NOFRAMES> </NOFRAMES>		For browsers that do not support frames is describes what will appear in the browser.
<FRAME NORESIZ>		Prohibits resizing of the frame by a user.
EMBEDDING ANCHORS –		
<APPLET> </APPLET>	WIDTH="" – width of the applet HEIGHT="" – height of the applet CODE="" - URL of the class file ARCHIVE="" – files to be preloaded	Enables a web page to be divided into more than one area. Can be divided horizontally or vertically.

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	ALT="" – alternative text. NAME="" – Applet's name. VSPACE="" – vertical spacing from applet by text HSPACE="" – horizontal spacing from applet by text	
<PARAM>	NAME="" – parameter name VALUE="" – parameter value VALUETYPE="" – value type (either object, data or ref) TYPE="" – media type	Used in connection with an applet and the values that a user can send to the server and the information the server sends back.
	SRC="" – Where the web browser finds the image to be displayed SRC="" ALIGN="" – Aligns an image with assigned value: center, left, right, bottom, top, middle SRC="" BORDER="" – Puts a border around the image. Values are either: TRUE or FALSE WIDTH="" – width of the image HEIGHT="" – height of the image USEMAP="" URL to client imagemap ISMAP="" – identifies imagemap at the server end ALT="" – alternative text	
<AREA></AREA>	ALT="" – alternative text COORDS="" – using % or pixel sets the size of the area. SHAPE="" – sets of the parameter of the client map (poly, rect, circle, default) HREF="" – URL of linked source	
<MAP></MAP>		Used in conjunction with the <AREA> anchor to create an imagemap.
STYLE ANCHOR –		
<STYLE></STYLE>	TITLE="" – title of the style MEDIA="" – identifies the target medium (all, Braille, screen, projection, speech, print)	This anchor is used in connection with the <HEAD> anchor and creates an internal style sheet.
FORM ANCHORS –		
<FORM></FORM>	ACTION="" – URL for server response METHOD="" – either post or get (HTTP)	Creates an interactive form for user input.

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	method) ONSUBMIT="" – event that is fired when form is submitted ONRESET="" – event that is fired when form is reset. ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released	
<pre> <INPUT> </INPUT> <INPUT TYPE= "CHECKBOX" NAME= "NAME"> </INPUT> <INPUT TYPE= "RADIO" NAME= "NAME" VALUE= "?"> </INPUT> <INPUT TYPE= "TEXT" NAME= "NAME" SIZE="30"> </INPUT> </pre>	TYPE="" – input control type (button, image, file, reset, submit, checkbox, password, text, hidden, radio) SIZE="" – width of control MAXLENGTH="" - maximum number of characters that can be used. SRC="" – URL to the image control. ALT="" – alternative text NAME="" - name of control (required for reset and submit) VALUE="" – used by checkboxes and optionboxes to set initial value. ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held	Identifies controls that can be used within a form.

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	ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released	
<LABEL> </LABEL>	ACCESSKEY="" – assigns a shortcut key ONBLUR="" – event that is fired when a control loses focus. ONFOCUS="" – event that is fired when a control gains focus. ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released	Control
<BUTTON> </BUTTON> <INPUT TYPE="SUBMIT" VALUE="NAME"> <INPUT TYPE="IMAGE" NAME="NAME" BORDER=0 SRC="NAME.GIF"> <INPUT TYPE="RESET">	NAME="" – name of control. VALUE="" – value of the control. TYPE="" – button type (button, image, reset, submit) ONBLUR="" – event that is fired when a control loses focus. ONFOCUS="" – event that is fired when a control gains focus. ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving	Used to process a form.

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	<p>ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released</p> <p>ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held</p> <p>ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object</p> <p>ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released</p> <p>ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down</p> <p>ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released</p>	
<p><TEXTAREA> </TEXTAREA> <TEXTAREA NAME="NAME" COLS="20" ROWS = "4"> </TEXTAREA></p>	<p>NAME="" – name of control.</p> <p>ROWS="" – indicates width of control using number of rows.</p> <p>COLS="" – indicates height of control using number of columns.</p> <p>READONLY="" – sets control to read only.</p> <p>ONCHANGE="" – event that is fired when a control is changed.</p> <p>ONSELECT="" - event that is fired when a control is selected</p> <p>ONBLUR="" – event that is fired when a control loses focus.</p> <p>ONFOCUS="" – event that is fired when a control gains focus.</p> <p>ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click</p> <p>ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click</p> <p>ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object</p> <p>ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving</p> <p>ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released</p> <p>ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held</p> <p>ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object</p> <p>ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released</p> <p>ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down</p> <p>ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released</p>	<p>Produces a text box. The size is indicated by the row and cols settings.</p>
<OPTION>	VALUE="" – value of submitted control	Display a drop down list with items to

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</OPTION>	SELECTED="" – indicates if control has been selected. DISABLED="" – turns control off ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released	choose from. Use with the <SELECT> tag.
<SELECT> </SELECT>	NAME="" – name of control DISABLED="" – turns control off. SIZE="" – width of control in rows. MULTIPLE="" – allows multiple selections. ONCHANGE="" – event that is fired when a control is changed. ONSELECT="" - event that is fired when a control is selected ONBLUR="" – event that is fired when a control loses focus. ONFOCUS="" – event that is fired when a control gains focus. ONCLICK="" – event - mouse single click ONDBCLICK="" – event - mouse double click ONMOUSEOUT="" – event – mouse cursor moved off an object ONMOUSEMOVE="" – event - mouse moving ONMOUSEUP="" – event - mouse button clicked and held down is then released ONMOUSEDOWN="" – event - mouse click and held ONMOUSEOVER="" – event - mouse cursor moved over object	Produces a pull down menu.

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	ONKEYPRESS="" – event – key pressed down and released ONKEYDOWN="" – event – key pressed and held down ONKEYUP="" – event – key pressed and released	
SCRIPT ANCHORS – Identifies the type of scripting language the web page uses to process dynamic events.		
<SCRIPT> </SCRIPT>	LANGUAGE="" – Can be used to indicate scripting language, however in recent versions of HTML "TYPE" is preferred. TYPE="" – indicates scripting language. SRC="" – URL for location of external code.	Enables client-side scripting executed by the browser.

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