

Basic Tags

<html> </html>
Creates an HTML document

<head> </head>
Sets off the title & other info that isn't displayed

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

<title> </title>
Puts name of the document in the title bar; when bookmarking pages, this is what is bookmarked

Body attributes

<body bgcolor=?>
Sets background color, using name or hex value

<body text=?>
Sets text color, using name or hex value

<body link=?>
Sets color of links, using name or hex value

<body vlink=?>
Sets color of visited links, using name or hex value

<body alink=?>
Sets color of active links (while mouse-clicking)

Text Tags

<pre> </pre>
Creates preformatted text

<h1> </h1> --> <h6> </h6>
Creates headlines -- H1=largest, H6=smallest

Creates bold text (should use instead)

<i> </i>
Creates italicized text (should use instead)

<tt> </tt>
Creates typewriter-style text

<code> </code>
Used to define source code, usually monospace

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

<address> </address>
Creates address section, usually processed in italics

Emphasizes a word (usually italics)

Emphasizes a word (usually bold)

Sets size of font - 1 to 7 (should use CSS instead)

Sets font color (should use CSS instead)

Defines the font used (should use CSS instead)

Links

clickable text
Creates a hyperlink to a Uniform Resource Locator

clickable text
Creates a hyperlink to an email address

Creates a target location within a document

clickable text
Creates a link to that target location

Formatting

<p> </p>
Creates a new paragraph

<p align=?> </p>
Aligns a paragraph left, right, or center

Inserts a line break (carriage return)

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

<div align=?> </div>
Sometimes used to format large blocks of HTML
(align=left/right/center); also used for stylesheets

Lists

<ul type=?>
Creates an unordered list (type=disc/square/circle)

<ol type=? start=?>
Creates an ordered list (type=1/i/I/a/A; start=xx,
where xx is a counting number)

Precedes each list item

<dl> </dl>
Creates a definition list

<dt>
Precedes each defintion term

<dd>
Precedes each defintion

Graphical elements

<hr />
Inserts a horizontal rule

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

<hr width=?>
Sets width of rule (as a % or absolute pixel length)

<hr noshade>
Creates a horizontal rule without a shadow

Adds image; it is a separate file located at the URL

Aligns an image left/right/center/bottom/top/middle

Sets size of border surrounding image

Sets height of image, in pixels

Sets width of image, in pixels

Sets the alternate text for browsers that can't
process images (required by the ADA)

Forms

<form> </form>

Defines a form

<select multiple name=? size=?> </select>
Creates a scrolling menu. Size sets the number of menu items visible before user needs to scroll.

<select name=?> </select>
Creates a pulldown menu

<option>
Sets off each menu item

<textarea name=? cols="x" rows="y"></textarea>
Creates a text box area. Columns set the width; rows set the height.

<input type="checkbox" name=? value=?>
Creates a checkbox.

<input type="checkbox" name=? value=? checked>
Creates a checkbox which is pre-checked.

<input type="radio" name=? value=?>
Creates a radio button.

<input type="radio" name=? value=? checked>
Creates a radio button which is pre-checked.

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

<input type="submit" value=?>
Creates a submit button. Value sets the text in the submit button.

<input type="image" name=? src=? border=? alt=?>
Creates a submit button using an image.

<input type="reset">
Creates a reset button

Tables (use only for data layout - use CSS for page layout)

<table> </table>

Creates a table

<tr> </tr>

Sets off each row in a table

<td> </td>

Sets off each cell in a row

<th> </th>

Sets off the table header (a normal cell with bold, centered text)

Table attributes

<table border=?>

Sets the width of the border around table cells

<table cellspacing=?>

Sets amount of space between table cells

<table cellpadding=?>

Sets amount of space between a cell's border and its contents

<table width=?>

Sets width of the table in pixels or as a percentage

<tr align=?>

Sets alignment for cells within the row (left/center/right)

<td align=?>

Sets alignment for cells (left/center/right)

<tr valign=?>

Sets vertical alignment for cells within the row (top/middle/bottom)

<td valign=?>

Sets vertical alignment for cell (top/middle/bottom)

<td rowspan=?>

Sets number of rows a cell should span (default=1)

<td colspan=?>

Sets number of columns a cell should span

<td nowrap>

Prevents lines within a cell from being broken to fit

Frames

<frameset> </frameset>

Creates and defines frames

<frameset rows="x,y">

Defines the rows within a frameset, using number in pixel length or percentage of width (x=first document, y=second document)

<frameset cols="x,y">

Defines the columns within a frameset, using number in pixel length or percentage of width

<frame>

Defines a region within a frameset

<noframes> </noframes>

Defines what will appear on browsers that don't support frames

<frame src="URL">

Specifies which HTML document is displayed

<frame name="name">

Names the region so it may be targeted by other frames

<frame marginwidth=?>

Defines the left and right margins for the frame; must be equal to or greater than 1

<frame marginheight=?>

Defines the top and bottom margins for the frame; must be equal to or greater than 1

<frame scrolling=?>

Sets whether the frame has a scrollbar (yes/no/auto)

<frame noresize>

Prevents the user from resizing a frame