

Preferences

The Preferences card is broken into five sections, selected from the up and down arrow icons or the popUp menu located at the top center of the card:

- Editor

Allows a selection of editor text fonts and sizes, selected from the Font and Size popup menus.

<P> on Option-Return,
 on Option-Shift-Return in Field

HTML browsers ignore white space or non-HTML line breaks, so use
 to insert a line break (which retains the current HTML format) or <P> for a new paragraph. When checked, enters the <P> paragraph code whenever you type Option-Return, or the
 new line code whenever you type Option-Shift-Return.

Arrow Keys in Text

When checked, enables the cursor keys to be used to navigate within a text field rather than card-to-card.

Display Tool Palette When in Editor

When checked, enables automatic display of the tool palette upon entering the Editor window.

Wrap Editor Text

When checked, automatically wraps the text within the bounds of the editor field. When unchecked, each return-delimited paragraph creates a new line. This option does not change the content of the document, only its display within HTML.edit.

Maintain Selection after Style Change

When checked, maintains the text selection after making an HTML style change. Because some HTML commands (such as list commands) intersperse tags into the text selection, this option does not work on all HTML commands.

Show Statistics

Shows or hides the display of the document statistics located near the upper right of the document window.

Confirm Automated HyperText Links

When checked, displays a dialog box confirming (and allowing editing of) the URL or document name used for the commands Create Link to Previous, Next and Selected Document as found under the Anchor menu. When not checked, the links will be inserted automatically using the text selection.

- Import/Export

Convert LF to CR on Import

When checked, converts all instances of linefeed characters (ASCII 10) to return

characters (ASCII 13) on imported documents. If the line breaks in your imported document are a linefeed+return combination, leaving this option checked will add an extra return character at the end of each line. In this case I recommend leaving this option unchecked and using the Add/Strip Linefeeds command found on the Utility menu. See also the Import Document and Replace commands.

Always Parse HTML on Import

If the imported document contains either a pair of Header tags or a `</BODY>` tag, you will be asked to move the HTML language tag `<HTML>` and header contents to the Header area, and everything after the closing `</BODY>` tag to the footer area. If these tags do not exist in the original document, all imported text will be left in the Body.

If errors are found, error notices will inform you of any missing elements of a pair, and the process will exit. Note that error checking does not check for multiple occurrences, only the existence of at least one set of HTML tags. This may cause the parser to misinterpret the code and produce unpredictable results.

Translate Date Codes on Export

When checked, automatically translates imbedded date codes into the current date string in the format (short, abbrev. or long) indicated by the date code. When unchecked, leaves the imbedded code in the document.

See also the Insert Date command under the HyperText menu.

File Creator

A popUp menu that sets the application creator for exported files.

- Text Conversion Table

The Text Conversion Table is used by the Table Convert command found under the Tool Palette's Utility menu, and consists of two columns.

- Compacting

Since HTML.edit is essentially operating in the HyperCard environment, I've added an automatic stack compaction feature. Compacting the Editor happens automatically each time you quit if the amount of compactible space exceeds the threshold set by the popUp menu, which defaults to 10%. You can manually compact the Editor by clicking the Compact Now button at any time.

- URL List

Uniform Resource Locator List

Any URLs listed here will be appended to the URL PopUp Menu.

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