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# HTML

HTML is short for **HyperText Markup Language**.

HTML documents can contain formatted text, in-line images, and links to a wide variety of information types.

# Limitations and problems with HTML

## Extensions

*The most frustrating problem you will most likely run into when designing your web pages is the issue of compatibility. HTML is very dynamic, and is constantly being modified, extended, and upgraded. Elements which one user may be able to view, may not be visible to another.*

Your two main options for dealing with this problem are:

- 1. Stick to the official specifications.** Use only the universally expected tags so your pages will look very similar to all viewers.
- 2. Go with the extended options.** At the time of this writing, it was reported that over 87% of WWW users were using the leading browser program. Using the special tags for this browser will leave around 13% of Web users out, but will usually allow you to make much more interesting pages.

GOMER presents a mix of extended and strict tags. It is up to you to decide which you want to include in your documents. There is no 'correct' method... choose the option you feel most comfortable with.

## Format

HTML was not originally intended for the elaborate pages it is now being used to create. Keep in mind that the language is still fairly simple, and there are many things which simply cannot be done yet in terms of formatting HTML documents.

## Size

Because every element of a HTML document must be transmitted to the viewer, even a small difference in size can mean a difference in the amount of waiting time required to view the document.

One of the biggest mistakes people make is abusing images. Try to remember this handy tip... **An ENTIRE web page - images and text - should never exceed a total of 20k in size.** It is very common to break this rule, but try to always keep it in mind when designing. Amateurs (and even many professionals) tend to forget this rule, and produce pages with huge images; which may take many minutes to transfer. If your page hasn't loaded in a reasonable amount of time, chances are few people will bother to stick around for it.

Remember - every byte counts in web design. No one enjoys sitting while waiting for a large page to load. If you have quite a bit of information it is usually best to break it into better organized 'bite-sized' chunks, and put them on separate pages. Your audience can get to the information they are looking for more quickly.


# About this Help File

## Need help with an HTML Tag?

```
.on"><BR><HR><B>EDUCATI  
//www.wisc.edu/~c...>
```

- **Highlight the tag** in the document you are working on
- Press the help key (**F1**).
- The appropriate help topic will appear when available.

### Help with dialog boxes:

In addition to the F1 key, most dialog boxes have a  help button in the lower left-hand corner to bring up the appropriate help topic.

Because of the dynamic nature of the HTML specification and the speed at which it is evolving, this reference makes no distinction between official HTML Markup and extensions. Test any element you are unsure about with your browser program to see if it is supported.

*Note:* Some information has been intentionally simplified to help new users. This help file is intended for general reference only, for important technical reference, please use a more reliable source.

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# GOMER's HTML Tutorial

## Getting Started

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# 1. Getting started: A simple page

- With Gomer running, press the  button, or select **New** from the file menu.
- The "New HTML Document" window should appear. Choose **OK** to accept the default values.
- The "Document Color Selection" window should appear. This window allows you to configure the text and background elements of your new document. Choose **OK** to accept default values.
- What you see is the basic template for an HTML document.
- Type `Hello WWW!` between the `<BODY>` and `</BODY>` tags.

*Your Document should look like:*

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>New Document</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
Hello WWW!

</BODY>
</HTML>
```

- Press the  (Save) button, or choose **Save As** from the File menu
- That's it! Start your web browser program and load the file from the Hard Drive.
- Your document should appear as:

Hello WWW!

*You should know:*

- How to start a new document
- Where to enter text in an HTML document.
- How to save a document
- How to preview a document

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## 2. Formatting text

Use the document you created in the above lesson for this session.

- Type the words **Welcome to my Page** on the line below 'Hello WWW!'. Enter additional text so your document appears as below:




```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>New Document</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
Hello WWW!
Welcome to my Page
So How Do You Like It?

Look out world.

</BODY>
</HTML>
```

- Preview your document, it should appear as:

Hello WWW! Welcome to my page So How Do You Like It? Look out world.

- Highlight the word **Hello!** and press **SHIFT + F1** to enter the Header <H1> tag.
- Highlight the words **Welcome to my Page.** and press the  button
- After it, and between **Look out** and **world!**, press **SHIFT + ENTER** (or the  button) to enter the <BR> tag. This tag represents a line break, and will start a new line when viewed.
- Highlight the word **you.** and press the bold  button

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>New Document</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
<H1>Hello!</H1>
<P>Welcome to my Page</P>
So how do <B>you</B> like it?<BR>

Look out <BR>world!

</BODY>
</HTML>
```

- Preview your document, it should appear as:

# Hello!

Welcome to my Page

So how do **you** like it?

Look out

world!

*You should know:*

- Formatting depends on tags, not how it looks in the editor
- How to create a header
- How to format a paragraph
- How to enter line breaks
- How to format bold text


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## 3. Adding Images

*You will need a .gif or .jpg image in the directory where the document is saved to complete this lesson.*

The <IMG> tag configures in-line images

- Place the cursor at the position in your document where you want the image. Press the camera button  to view the image dialog box.
- Select an image file and press OK. Preview your document.
- That is all you need to configure an image.
- It is a good idea to also include a description of the image in the **alternate text** area. This provides information to viewers who cannot see the image.
- Experiment with the other attributes available in the dialog box.


*You should know:*

- How to load the image dialog box
- How to include an image file in an html document
- Purpose of the ALT= element
- Effects of other available image attributes

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## 4. HyperText Links

HyperText links are one of the features of HTML which have contributed to the enormous popularity of the World Wide Web. Links allow users to jump from a page to any number of information sources.

- Create a new document, or use one created in a previous lesson.
- Place the cursor at the position where you want the link.
- Load the link dialog by pressing the  button.
- It is a good idea to also

### Caption

- The caption box reflects the text a user will click on to reach the referenced URL.
- If text was selected when the caption dialog was opened, it will automatically appear in the caption box, otherwise you may type it there now.
- Place the cursor at the position where you want the link.

### Internal / External Link

#### External

- The caption box reflects the text a user will click on to reach the referenced URL.
- You can use the prefix shortcut box to add common URL prefixes.
- Type the URL into the external link box

#### Internal

- Internal jumping to a specific anchor location within a document.
- Anchors within the current document are listed in the pull-down menu,
- Type the URL into the link box

### Target =

- Use the Target attribute in a document using frames to specify where the followed link will be seen.

*You should know:*


- How to load the link dialog box
- Use of the Caption box of the link form.
- The difference between internal and external links

- Purpose of the TARGET= element

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## 5. Creating Lists

Gomer provides a handy tool for creating lists.

- If you already have the list typed into the document, highlight the list text.
- Press the  create list button.
- Select the proper list type.

### Unordered (bulleted) List

- Make sure each list item is entered on a separate line.
- Select Bullet Style if desired.
- Press OK.

### Ordered (numbered) List

- Enter each item on a separate line
- Select numbering style if required.
- Select starting number if needed.
- Press OK.

### Definition List

- Place DT tag before each new term.
- Place DD tag between each term and definition.
- Press OK.


See Also:

[Lists](#)

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## 6. Creating Tables

Tables are a handy way to organize information in a web document.

- Place the cursor at the position in the document where you'd like the table.
- Press the  table button
- Select the proper number of rows and columns.
- Press OK.
- In the editor window, place cell information between <TD> tags.

### Options

#### **New Line for each cell**

This option puts each <TD> tag set on a new line for easier editing.

#### **Width**

Not surprisingly, this sets the width of the table. (in pixels or percentage of page width)

#### **Border**

Sets the width of table borders.

#### **Cell padding**

Controls the space left between the cell wall, and cell data

#### **Cell Spacing**

Controls the amount of space between cells.

#### **Caption**

Allows for the table to have a caption

### Editing Cells

After creating a table layout with the table tool, you will need to enter information into the individual cells.

Each set of <TD></TD> or <TH></TH> tags contains the data for one cell of a table.

Just about any information that can be put into a regular HTML document can be put into a table cell, images, links, and text are all commonly put into HTML tables.

#### **Text**

To put the word hello into a cell, you simply need to type it between the table data tags.

`<TD>Hello!</TD>` - would put Hello! into one of the cells.

#### **Images and links**

To put an image or a link into a cell, place the cursor between the tags, and use the normal tool buttons to create these items.

Table cells also support the COLSPAN, ROWSPAN, ALIGN=, and VALIGN= attributes.

See Also:

[<TABLE>](#)

[TUTORIAL](#)

## 7. Creating Frames

Framesets can be a fun way to present interesting data in an unusual way.

- With a document open, select **Frames...** from the **Format** menu.
- Click 1 time anywhere you want on the white frame palette.
- A horizontal black line should appear.
- Click on the line and drag to move it. Drag off the screen to remove it.
- Place one line on the document, press OK.
- In the Configure Frame #1 box, choose a file for the first frame.
- Press OK, and continue to choose documents for the consecutive windows.
- Type **Oops, No Frames** between the <BODY> tags.
- Your finished document should look something like this...

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>New Document</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<FRAMESET ROWS="45%, 55%">
  <FRAME SRC="TEST.HTM">
  <FRAME SRC="TEST.HTM">
</FRAMESET>
<NOFRAMES>
<BODY>
Oops. No Frames.
</BODY>
</NOFRAMES>
</HTML>
```

- Preview the document. If you see the frames, your browser supports frames, if you see a blank page with the words **Oops, No Frames**, your browser does not support frames.

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## Learning Tips

Although HTML is easy to learn, getting started with any new language can be difficult. This tutorial covers the most basic aspects of HTML authoring. The lessons progress slowly, and you can repeat any if you are unsure of the subject.

Take some time to browse around the web to get a general idea of what can and can't be done.

### **Remember:**

Although you can learn a lot from seeing other peoples' pages on the web, NEVER use someone else's source or images without their permission. Aside from the fact that its illegal, and isn't a very nice thing to do, changing the HTML doesn't make it your property, and chances are the creator will recognize it anyway. A simple e-mail message complimenting the author, and requesting permission to use their methods will do wonders. They may even be flattered enough to help implement the item in your page.

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## Summary of Tool Bar Buttons



Preview current document



New Document



Open Document



Save to Disk



Cut selected text to clipboard



Copy selected text to clipboard



Paste text from clipboard



Delete selected text



Insert Line Break



Mark Paragraph



Set text attributes



Insert Horizontal Rule (line)



Insert image



Create Link



Set internal anchor



Bold or STRONG



Italicize or EMP



CENTER or  
P ALIGN=CENTER or  
ALIGN=CENTER



Set ALIGN=RIGHT property



Set ALIGN=LEFT property



Table Dialog Box.



Form Dialog Box



List Dialog Box



Insert text as Comment



Zap all HTML tags from selected area.



Create Header



Print current document



Set document\_color attributes

# About GOMER

GOMER provides the features needed by professional web designers and a simple text interface for total control over web documents.

## Limitations

There are not buttons for everything in Gomer. There never will be. The intention of this editor is to simplify entering repetitive or complex tags, not shield the user from HTML scripting. Although GOMER will cut the time required to create a html document significantly, and aid new users in getting started with HTML, it is not meant to take the place of learning the context.

# Registration Information

## Contact information

For any questions regarding Gomer registration, please send E-mail to Stoopid Software at [info@stoopidsoftware.com](mailto:info@stoopidsoftware.com)

## To Register the Program

Please see the program for registration information.

All information should be included in the files "order.rtf", "chkform.rtf", and "cardform.rtf". You can read these files in the program, or with Wordpad or your RTF compatible word processor (like Microsoft Word)

Please contact Stoopid Software at the above e-mail address if you have any questions.

**Thank you.**

# Basic HTML tags

Here are a few of the basics to get you started.

## Text

 	<a href="#">Line Break</a>
<P>	<a href="#">Paragraph</a>
<B></B>	<a href="#">Bold</a>
<I></I>	<a href="#">Italics</a>
<H1>..<H6>	<a href="#">Headers</a>

## Graphics

<IMG	Start of <a href="#">image</a> information
SRC="file"	Specifies image file
ALT="text"	Text to display if image cannot load
BORDER=x	x = border size
ISMAP	Sets image as an ISMAP image
LOWSRC=""	Specifies low-res file if desired
ALIGN=	sets alignment. Use: TOP, BOTTOM, MIDDLE, LEFT, RIGHT, TEXTTOP, ABS BOTTOM, ABSMIDDLE, BASELINE

## Document

<HTML></HTML>	Identifies <a href="#">HTML</a> document
<HEAD></HEAD>	Identifies <a href="#">header</a> information
<TITLE></TITLE>	Document <a href="#">title</a> .
<BODY></BODY>	Document <a href="#">body</a>
BACKGROUND=	Document background image file.
BGCOLOR=	Document background color.
TEXT=	Document text color.
LINK=	Document link color.
ALINK=	Active link color.
VLINK=	Visited link color.

A more detailed list of tags is available by pressing **F5** while running Gomer.

## Hyper-link <A HREF= X ></A>

where X is any valid URL

Use this tag to create links within the current document, or to another file.

### Example:

Please <A HREF="Myfile.html">click here</A>

Would appear as:

Please [click here](#)

Elements:

<A HREF=

### Internal

"#\*\*\*" Name of link within document ( see: [A.NAME](#))

### External

"http://\*\*\*" link to html document  
"mailto:\*\*\*" Send E-mail to \*\*\*  
"ftp://\*\*\*" link to FTP  
"newsrc://\*\*\*" link to USENET news  
"\*\*\*" Any valid URL

### Used with [Frames](#)

TARGET=""  
"\*\*\*\*\*" Name of frame.  
"\_TOP"  
"\_SELF"  
"\_PARENT"  
"\_BLANK"

clicking on the image or text between  
these tags will bring you to the link.  
(*in this example "Myfile.html"*)

## **Document Elements** <!... >

There are a variety of document elements which fall into this category. the Document Type Definition is an example.



## Internal Anchor `<A NAME="x"></A>`

*Example:*

```
<A NAME="TOP"></A>
```

The `<A Name=>` tag will provide a destination for jumps within a document, or to jump to a specific location from another document. It is used in conjunction with the [<A HREF>](#) element.

## **Address** <Address></Address>

Use this tag for displaying addresses

### *Example:*

```
<Address>Bob Johnson<BR>  
123 Johnson St.<BR>  
Johnsonville, FL 12345<BR></Address>
```

### *Would appear as:*

```
Bob Johnson  
123 Johnson St.  
Johnsonville, FL 12345
```

## **Align= property    ALIGN=x**

*x can be any valid alignment for the element*

*Example:*

```
<HR ALIGN=LEFT>
```

The Align property sets the alignment of an element in the HTML document.

The property must be part of another tag. Placing "align=right" alone in the document would just cause those words to appear.

elements: (depending upon item)

**LEFT | CENTER | RIGHT | TOP | MIDDLE | BOTTOM | ABSBOTTOM | ABSMIDDLE | BASELINE**

**See Also:**

[<HR>](#)

[<Hx>](#)

[<IMG>](#)

[<INPUT>](#)

[<P>](#)

[<TABLE>](#)

[<TD>](#)

[<TH>](#)

## **Applet   <APPLET...></APPLET>**

```
<APPLET CODE="mycode" height=12 width=12></APPLET>
```

A small Java™ application can be put into a page with this element.

## **Base .. <BASE ...>**

Sets property of referenced item.

*Example:*

```
<BASE HREF="http://www.hello.com">
```

*See Also:*

[<FONT>](#)

[<A HREF>](#)

[Target](#)

## **Big text**    `<BIG></BIG>`

Formats text in a larger size.

*Example:*

This is `<BIG>Big</BIG>` text.

*Would appear as:*

This is **Big** text.

See also:    `<SMALL>`  
              `<FONT>`

## **Block Quote <BLOCKQUOTE></BLOCKQUOTE>**

Used to clearly identify a block of text.

*Example:*

```
<BLOCKQUOTE>HELLO</BLOCKQUOTE>
```

*Would appear as:*

```
HELLO
```

## Body <BODY></BODY>

Starts and ends the body of your HTML document. Nearly all of the information for a HTML document goes between the BODY tags. Document color specifications go in the first <BODY> tag.

### Example:

```
<Body BGCOLOR="#FFFFFF" TEXT="#0000FF">
```

### Would appear as:

A document with a white background and blue text

BACKGROUND=""	Background image file
BGCOLOR=""	Background color in hex
TEXT=""	Text color in hex
LINK=""	Link color in hex
ALINK=""	Active link color in hex
VLINK=""	Visited link color in hex
BGSOUND=""	Background sound file
LOOP=""	Number of times to play sound
BGPROPERTIES=FIXED	Non-scrolling background
LEFTMARGIN=""	Left Margin (no really!)
TOPMARGIN=""	Top Margin Size

**See also:** [Document Structure](#)



**B** **Bold** `<B></B>`

*Example:*

This `<B>sample</B>` text.

*Would appear as:*

This **sample** text.

Use this tag to create bold text.

*Shortcut key:* **CTRL + B**

See Also: [<STRONG>](#)

## **Blink** `<BLINK></BLINK>`

*Example:*

This `<BLINK>sample</BLINK>` text.

*Would appear as:*

In this example, the word "sample" would blink on and off when viewed.

Use this tag to create blinking text on browsers which support the feature. Be careful when using this tag, it is generally regarded as annoying, and overuse will give users a negative impression of your page.

## **Center**    `<Center></Center>`

Use this tag to center text or images on the page.

*Example:*

```
<Center>This sample text.</Center>
```

*Would appear as:*

This sample text.

If text is selected when the  is pressed `<CENTER>` is used, otherwise [ALIGN=CENTER](#) will be assumed.

See also: [<P ALIGN=CENTER>](#)

## **Comment**    <!--    -->

*Example:*

```
<!-- This sample text. -->
```

*Would appear as:*

Any text enclosed in this tag will not be shown when the document is viewed.

Use this tag to create comments.

*note:*

Some browsers incorrectly show tags which are enclosed in the comment. Although it is legal to enclose other tags in the <!-- --> you should remember that some viewers may actually see them when browsing the page.

## **Citation** <CITE></CITE>

Use this tag to identify citations.

*Example:*

```
<CITE>this is a citation</CITE>
```

*Would appear as:*

*this is a citation*

## **Code** `<CODE></CODE>`

Use this tag to differentiate Code text.

*Example:*

```
<CODE>this is code</CODE>
```

*Would appear as:*

```
this is code
```

## **Definiton** <DFN></DFN>

Another tag used to differentiate text. Usually smaller, or in Italics.

*Example:*

<DFN>this is a definition</DFN>

*Would appear as:*

*this is a definition*

## Definition List `<DL></DL>`

This list allows for the creation of definitions in a document.

*Example:*

```
<DL>  
<DT>Term<DD>Definition of the term.  
</DL>
```

*Would appear as:*

Term  
    Definition of the term.

```
<DL></DL>     Start/End of list  
<DT>         Term  
<DD>         Definition
```



## Directory List <DIR></DIR>

Defines a menu

Example:

```
<DIR>
<LI>DIR ITEM
<LI>DIR ITEM
</DIR>
```

*Would appear as:*

- DIR ITEM
- DIR ITEM

*See Also:*

[Unordered List](#)  
[Menu List](#)

## Division `<DIV></DIV>`

Marks sections of a document.

### *Example:*

```
<DIV ALIGN=CENTER>sample</DIV>text.
```

*Would appear as:*

sample

text.

```
<DIV
```

```
  ALIGN=    LEFT | RIGHT | CENTER
```

*See also:* [<P>](#)

## **Emphasis** `<EM></EM>`

Use this tag to create italicized (usually) text.

### *Example:*

This `<EM>sample</EM>` text.

### *Would appear as:*

This *sample* text.

See also: [<I>](#)

## Font <FONT></FONT>

This tag controls the appearance of text in an HTML document.

### *Example:*

This <FONT SIZE=+2 COLOR=#FF0000>sample</FONT>text.

### *Would appear as:*

This **sample** text.

('Sample' should be red, and larger)

### <FONT>

#### *elements:*

**SIZE**="X"    +X | -X | X    where X is any valid number.

**COLOR**=" "    Hex # or Color name

**FACE**="x,x"    Name of font to display text as

## Using the Frames Tool

- Click and Drag to move lines
- To remove lines click and drag off screen
- Up to 16 frames can be created (why would you want more?)
- When using Absolute sizes, remember that no browser uses the entire screen, and values should be adjusted accordingly.

See Also: [Creating Frames](#)

## Creating Frames

Frames are used to present multiple HTML documents in the same browser window. At this time they are not part of any official HTML specification, and are not supported by many browsers.

*Example:*

```
<FRAMESET COLS="19%,81%">
<FRAMESET ROWS="21%,79%">
  <FRAME SRC="title.htm">
  <FRAME SRC="buttons.htm">
</FRAMESET>
<FRAMESET ROWS="21%,79%">
  <FRAME SRC="icons.htm">
  <FRAME SRC="main.htm">
</FRAMESET>
</FRAMESET>
```

*Would generate the following frameset:*



**<FRAMESET>** Configures frameset

*Elements:*

**COLS=" "** Columns - can be pixels, %, or \* (remaining)  
**ROWS=" "** Rows - can be pixels, %, or \* (remaining)

**<FRAME >** Configures individual frame

*Elements:*

**SRC=" "** URL of HTML document to display in frame.  
**NAME=" "** Name of frame for targeting.  
**SCROLLING=** "NO" | "YES" | "AUTO"  
**NORESIZE** Do not allow user to resize frame.

**<NOFRAMES>** Start of information to display if viewer doesn't support frames.

**</NOFRAMES>** End of information to display if viewer doesn't support frames.

## Head Tag <HEAD></HEAD>

*Example:*

```
<HEAD>  
<TITLE>Hi</TITLE>  
</HEAD>
```

Contains [<TITLE>](#) tag and other document info.

The <HEAD> tag should follow the first [<HTML>](#) tag.

See also: [Document Structure](#)

## **Header** <Hx></Hx>

(x is any number from 1 to 6; 1 being the largest size text.)

Use this tag to create a header. Headers are used as titles at the top of a document, or within individual sections.

*Example:*

```
<H2>Sample text</H2>
```

*Would appear as:*

## **Sample text**

**<H1>** **<H2>** **<H3>** **<H4>** **<H5>** **<H6>**

**Note:**

Sizes are for comparison only - Actual sizes vary greatly by browser.

*Shortcut key:* **SHIFT + F1 - F6**



## Hex Colors "#FFFFFF"

Any color which can be displayed on a computer monitor (16.7 million of them) is made up of a composite of three base colors: Red, Green, and Blue (RGB). Each base color will have a value of 0 through 255. When these values are converted to hexadecimal 00-FF and placed in order, the six digit hex color code is created.

```
#000000 -Black (no red, green or blue)
#FFFFFF -White (100% of all colors)
#FF0000 -Red (100% red, 0% of green and blue... etc.
```

NOTE: The editor will take care of all of this for you, so you won't ever need to worry about it.

There are at least 2 web browsers that will now recognize literal color names, such as "BLUE" or "RED". Of course, it's important to note that hex values are compatible with the largest number of browsers, and are more configurable.

## Horizontal Rule <HR>

Use this tag to create a dividing line between sections of information.

*Example:*

```
<HR WIDTH=70% NOSHADE>
```

*Would appear as:*



(A solid line 70% of the page width)

<HR

<b>NOSHADE</b>	No 3D effect on rule.
<b>WIDTH=x</b>	Sets width in pixels or percent of page.
<b>SIZE=x</b>	Sets thickness of rule.
<b>ALIGN=</b>	Sets alignment to LEFT, CENTER, or RIGHT.

## HTML Tag <HTML></HTML>

```
<HTML></HTML>
```

Identifies HTML document.

Contains [<HEAD>](#), [<TITLE>](#) and [<BODY>](#) tags.

This tag should appear at the top and bottom of each document

**See also:** [Document Structure](#)

## Image <IMG>

Use the IMG tag to put pictures in your HTML document.

*Example:*

```
<IMG SRC="Myfile.gif" ALIGN=RIGHT>
```

*Would display "Myfile.gif" in the current document.*

*Elements:*

<b>&lt;IMG</b>	Start of image information
<b>SRC="URL"</b>	Specifies image file
<b>ALT="text"</b>	Text to display if image cannot load
<b>BORDER=x</b>	x = border width
<b>LOWSRC=""</b>	Specifies low-res file if desired
<b>ALIGN=</b>	Alignment. use: TOP, BOTTOM, MIDDLE, LEFT, RIGHT, TEXTTOP, ABS BOTTOM, ABSMIDDLE, BASELINE
<b>HEIGHT=</b>	Specify height to speed loading
<b>WIDTH=</b>	Specify width to speed loading
<b>ISMAP</b>	Image map.
<b>USEMAP=""</b>	Client side image map
<b>DYNSRC=""</b>	VRML or AVI file to display
<b>START=""</b>	Fileopen or mouseover
<b>LOOP=x</b>	Repeat AVI x times
<b>CONTROLS</b>	Display controls for movie

## **ISINDEX <ISINDEX>**

Identifies document as a searchable index

*Example:*

```
<ISINDEX PROMPT="Enter search text">
```

**<ISINDEX>**      Create area for user input.  
**PROMPT=""**      Specifies Prompt (Browser Specific)

## **Italics** `<I></I>`

Use this tag to create italicized text.

### *Example:*

This `<I>sample</I>` text.

*Would appear as:*

This *sample* text.

*Shortcut key:* **CTRL + I**

*See also:* [<EM>](#)

## **Keyboard**    <KBD></KBD>

Use this tag to demonstrate text a user should type.

*Example:*

Next, type <KBD>HELLO</KBD>

*Would appear as:*

Next, Type HELLO

## **Line Break** <BR>

Use this tag to end the current line and start a new one.

### *Example:*

This sample<BR>text.

### *Would appear as:*

This sample  
text.

<BR>

**CLEAR=""** LEFT | RIGHT | ALL | "x" - moves to clear area.

*Shortcut key:* **SHIFT + ENTER**



## **Link** <LINK...>

Defines Relationships / Links related to a document.

## **MAP**    **<MAP...>**

Defines a client-side image map within a document. This tag should be used with the USEMAP element.

## Marquee <MARQUEE></MARQUEE>

Defines moving text in a document.

Example:

```
<marquee>Hello WWW</marquee>
```

*Would appear as:*

The text "Hello WWW" would scroll across the screen

<b>&lt;MARQUEE</b>	Start of marquee information
<b>DIRECTION=""</b>	Specifies left or right motion
<b>BGCOLOR=""</b>	Color name or hex value of background
<b>LOOP=""</b>	# or 'infinite' amount of loops
<b>BEHAVIOR=""</b>	Alternate, Scroll or Slide
<b>SCROLLAMOUNT=""</b>	Speed of scroll in pixels
<b>SCROLLDELAY=""</b>	Speed of scroll in time
<b>DIRECTION=""</b>	Spec

## Menu `<MENU></MENU>`

Defines a menu

Example:

```
<MENU>
<LI>MENU ITEM
<LI>MENU ITEM
</MENU>
```

*Would appear as:*

- MENU ITEM
- MENU ITEM

See Also:

[Unordered List](#)  
[Directory List](#)

## Meta information <META...>

Defines Meta information in a document.

Example:

```
<META HTTP-EQUIV=Refresh CONTENT="5; URL=file2.html">  
<HTML>
```

*Would appear as:*

The browser would automatically load "file2.html" after the specified interval without requiring any special output from the server.

## **No Break <NOBR></NOBR>**

Stop text from line wrapping.

## **Pre-formatted Text**    `<PRE></PRE>`

Text within this tag will be rendered in a monospace font, and will appear in the same format as when entered.

*Example:*

```
<PRE>This sample text.</PRE>
```

*Would appear as:*

```
This sample text.
```

## **Paragraph <P>**

Use this tag to create blank space between, or paragraphs.

### *Example:*

This <P>sample text.


### *Would appear as:*


This


sample text.

*Note: </P> closing tag is optional*

</P> Closes <P> tag (Optional for most browsers)  
ALIGN="" Specifies Paragraph [alignment](#)

If text is selected when  button is pressed, a closing </P> tag will automatically be appended to the end of the selection.

Pressing **SHIFT** +  will add the Align=center attribute to the <P> tag, causing it to function much the same as the [<CENTER>](#) tag.

 This button enters the <P ALIGN=CENTER> tag when strict tags are selected in the preferences box.

### *Shortcut keys:*

- CTRL + P** To add the <P> tag. If text is selected, a closing </P> will automatically be added.
- CTRL + INS** Use this combination if you need to add a <P> tag with a closing </P> when no text is selected.



# Lists

[Unordered](#) (bulleted) list

[Ordered](#) (numbered) list

[Definition](#) list

[List Item](#)

See Also:



[List Dialog Box](#)



## List Dialog Box

This form helps speed creation of [lists](#).

### Unordered List

- Enter each list item on a separate line.
- Select Bullet Style if required.

### Ordered List

- Enter each item on a separate line
- Select numbering style if required.
- Select starting number if needed.

### Definition List

- Place DT tag before each new term.
- Place DD tag between term and definition.

*Text can be entered by typing into main document, and then highlighting before opening list form.*

## List Item <LI>

This tag designates an item in an [unordered](#), [ordered](#), [menu](#), or [directorylist](#).

*Example:*

```
<UL>
  <LI> List Item
  <LI> List Item
  <LI> List Item
</UL>
```

## Unordered Lists    <UL></UL>

This type of list is represented by bulleted items.

*Example:*

```
<UL Type=circle>  
<LI>This is a list  
<LI>The Unordered type  
<LI>Sample Sample  
</UL>
```

*Would appear as:*

- This is a list
- The Unordered type
- Sample Sample

<UL></UL>	Start /End of list
Type=circle	round bullets (default)
Type=square	square bullets
Type=disc	same as circle
<LI>	List Item

## **URL**

Basically, the term URL refers to the address of a file on the internet. It allows a user to access a specific file among the billions which are currently available on the web.

*Example:*

`http://www.anysite.com/`

## Ordered List <OL></OL>

This type of list is represented by numbered items.

*Example:*

```
<OL START=1 TYPE=1>  
<LI>This is a list  
<LI>The Ordered type  
<LI>Sample Sample  
</OL>
```

*Would appear as:*

1. This is a list
2. The Ordered type
3. Sample Sample

<OL></OL>      Start /End of list

Start=x          Start list at x

Type=1          1, 2, 3 (Default)

Type=a          a, b, c

Type=A          A, B, C

Type=i          i, ii, iii

Type=I          I, II, III

<LI>            List Item

## **Sample** `<SAMP></SAMP>`

Sample text. Usually fixed width

See Also:

[CODE](#)

## Strikethrough `<S></S>`

Use this tag to Strikethrough text.

*Example:*

```
<S>HELLO</S>
```

*Would appear as:*

~~HELLO~~



## Special Characters &xxx;

### *Example:*

This file &#169; Copyright 1996, Brad Klann

### *Would appear as:*

This file © Copyright 1996, Brad Klann

To use a character which cannot be directly typed into a HTML document, use the ampersand (&) along with the character code or a # sign with that character's ANSI code.

<	&lt;
>	&gt;
"	&quot;
©	&copy; or &#169;
®	&reg;
™	&trade;
&	&amp;

note: These tags are not all supported in every browser. The editor has a larger list of special character codes.

## **Strong** `<STRONG></STRONG>`

Use this tag to create bold text.

*Example:*

This `<STRONG>sample</STRONG>` text.

*Would appear as:*

This **sample** text.

Shortcut keys:

**CTRL + B**

*(With strict tags selected in preferences box)*

See Also: [<B>](#)

## **Title** `<TITLE></TITLE>`

*Example:*

```
<HEAD>  
<TITLE>My Home Page</TITLE>  
</HEAD>
```

The title tag appears between the [<HEAD>](#) tags. Depending on the browser, the title will usually appear at the top of the browser window.

**See also:** [Document Structure](#)

# HTML Document Structure

```
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>My Home Page</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>

<!-- Document information goes here -->

</BODY>
</HTML>
```

This is an example of a very basic HTML document.

Use this format when producing HTML documents for the Web.  
(The editor will automatically do this for you.)

**See also:**

[<HTML>](#)  
[<HEAD>](#)  
[<TITLE>](#)  
[<BODY>](#)

## Forms - Introduction

Forms provide an interface to an information gathering program on your server. Although you will most likely be exposed to a number of them, only advanced web designers will ever have to create forms, since a CGI program needs to be written, and many ISP's won't even allow this type of program to be run by private subscribers.

All form elements must be enclosed between these tags:

`<FORM>` `</FORM>`

*elements:*

<b>ACTION=</b>	URL data will be referenced to
<b>METHOD=</b>	Usually GET or POST
<b>ENCTYPE=</b>	Data format

*See Also:*

[<INPUT>](#)  
[<TEXTAREA>](#)  
[<SELECT>](#)  
[<OPTION>](#)

## Form Input <INPUT TYPE=...>

### See also

#### **TYPE=TEXT**

Text box. Used for single line text input. The default input type for forms.

#### *elements:*

NAME= Name used for referencing input  
SIZE= Size of text box  
VALUE= Default value

#### **TYPE=RADIO**



Allows user to check options.

#### *elements:*

NAME= Name used for referencing input  
VALUE= Default value  
CHECKED Button will appear as checked

#### **TYPE=CHECKBOX**



Allows user to check options.

#### *elements:*

NAME= Name used for referencing input  
VALUE= Default value  
CHECKED Box will appear as checked

#### **TYPE=RESET**



Resets all form elements to their default values.

#### *elements:*

VALUE= Default value (displayed as caption)

#### **TYPE=SUBMIT**



Submits form data to specified URL

#### *elements:*

NAME= Name (optional)  
VALUE= Default value (displayed as caption)

**TYPE=IMAGE**

Works a lot like an image map, but in conjunction with the form. The coordinates submitted by the user will be transmitted with the other information.

*elements:*

NAME=	Name used for referencing input
SRC=	URL of image file
ALIGN=	Alignment of image file; <a href="#">see &lt;IMG&gt;</a>

**TYPE=HIDDEN**

Hidden Text box.

This input type is used for submitting information with a form. This field is not visible to, and cannot be changed by the viewer.

*elements:*

NAME=	Name used for referencing input
SIZE=	Size of text box
VALUE=	Default value

**TYPE=FILE**

File upload.

This input type is used for submitting files. This control must be used with a form set to the type of "multipart/form-data".

*elements:*

NAME=	Name used for referencing input
VALUE=	Default filename
SIZE=	Size of input
ACCEPT=	Type of file to allow

## **TEXTAREA**    `<TEXTAREA></TEXTAREA>`

Used for multiline user text input.

*elements:*

```
<TEXTAREA  
  NAME=      Name used for referencing input  
  ROWS=     Number of textarea rows  
  COLS=     Number of textarea columns
```

*Example:*

```
<TEXTAREA NAME="textarea" ROWS=2 COLS=35>  
Text Area  
</TEXTAREA>
```

*would look something like this:*



*See also:*

[<FORM>](#)  
[<INPUT>](#)  
[<OPTION>](#)  
[<SELECT>](#)



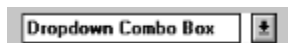
## SELECT <SELECT></SELECT>

Allows user to make selection from several choices

*Example:*

```
<SELECT NAME="textarea" >
  <OPTION SELECTED>Dropdown Combo box
  <OPTION>Option 2
  <OPTION>Option 3
  <OPTION>Option 4
</SELECT>
```

*would look something like this:*



*elements:*

NAME=	Name used for referencing input
SIZE=	Size of Element
MULTIPLE	Allows more than one selection

*See also:*

[<FORM>](#)  
[<INPUT>](#)  
[<TEXTAREA>](#)  
[<OPTION>](#)

## OPTION <OPTION>...

Defines choices for the [SELECT](#) form element.

elements:

**VALUE=** Name used for referencing input  
**SELECTED=** Displayed as selected initially

example:

```
<SELECT NAME="textarea" >
  <OPTION SELECTED>Dropdown Combo box
  <OPTION>Option 2
  <OPTION>Option 3
  <OPTION>Option 4
</SELECT>
```

would look something like this:



The user could choose from any of the other options as well.

See also

[<FORM>](#)  
[<INPUT>](#)  
[<TEXTAREA>](#)  
[<SELECT>](#)

<FORM>  
<INPUT>  
<TEXTAREA>  
<SELECT>  
<OPTION>

## Small text `<SMALL></SMALL>`

Formats text in a smaller size.

*Example:*

This is `<SMALL>Small</SMALL>` text.

*Would appear as:*

This is **small** text.

*See also:*

[<BIG>](#)

[<FONT>](#)

## **Subscript**    `<SUB></SUB>`

Formats text as subscript.

See also: [<SUP>](#)

## **Superscript** `<SUP></SUP>`

Formats text as superscript.

See also: [<SUB>](#)

## Table <TABLE></TABLE>

A Table allows web page designers to organize data.

<TABLE></TABLE>

All table information is put between these tags.

### Elements:

<b>Border=</b>	Table border size
<b>Cellpadding=</b>	Space between data and cell wall
<b>Cellspacing=</b>	Space between cells
<b>Width=</b>	Width of table in pixels or %

### Related Elements:

<b>&lt;CAPTION&gt;&lt;/CAPTION&gt;</b>	Table Caption
<b>&lt;TR&gt;&lt;/TR&gt;</b>	Table Row
<b>&lt;TH&gt;&lt;/TH&gt;</b>	Table Header
<b>&lt;TD&gt;&lt;/TD&gt;</b>	Table Cell Data

## **Table Dialog Box**

This form simplifies the creation of tables by laying out a basic template. After selecting table attributes, configure data elements in main editor.

### **Size Reference**

This table shows the currently selected number of rows and columns

### **New Line for each cell**

Checking this box leaves each `<TD>` element on a separate line.

### **Caption**

Entering a caption for your table is optional.

*See Also:*

[Tables](#)



## **Typewriter** `<TT></TT>`

Use this tag to display text as a monospaced font.

*Example:*

```
<TT>this is typewriter</TT>
```

*Would appear as:*

```
this is typewriter
```

## **Underline** `<U></U>`

Use this tag to display underlined text. Because links are rendered as underlined text in many browsers, this tag can confuse some viewers.

### *Example:*

This is `<U>underlined</U>` text

### *Would appear as:*

this is underlined text.

*Shortcut key:* **CTRL + U**

## **Variable** <VAR></VAR>

Use this tag to display variables.

*Example:*

Accessed<VAR>accesscount</VAR> times

*Would appear as:*

Accessed *accesscount* times

## Word Break <WBR>

Use this to indicate possible word breaks.

*Example:*

Controlling Word break<WBR>age.

*Could appear as:*

Controlling Word breakage.

*or as:*

Controlling Word break-  
age.

Because it is impossible to tell what size a line of text will be rendered at with every user's web browser, this tag allows for large words to be broken at specified positions rather than moving the whole word to the next line.

## **Remove all HTML Tags**

This function will remove all markup tags from an HTML document.

This is handy if you need to convert a document to plain text, or if you want to redo a section of code.

## Auto-break function

This function will automatically enter the <BR> tag at the end of every line within the currently selected text.

This is handy if you need to convert a plain text document to HTML.

Note: **SHIFT + ENTER** produces a single <BR> tag.

See Also: [<BR>](#)

## Auto-Paragraph function

This function will automatically enter the <P> tag on every blank line of the currently selected text.

This is handy if you need to convert a plain text document to HTML.

Note: **CTRL + P** produces a single <P> tag.

See Also: [<P>](#)

# New Document Window

This window allows you to control the Document structure tags.

## Document Title

Depending on the viewer's browser, this text will appear in the title bar.

## Comments

Comments can't be seen when the document is viewed in a browser window. They are used mainly for information about the document, author, copyright, and creation and revision dates.

## Buttons



Date



Time



Copyright & Year



Author's Name

## Radio Buttons

The radio buttons on this form allow for the choice of DTD, No DTD, or No HTML Tags at all.

**DTD** is the information element containing document type definition information. This can be included in HTML documents, but it is not required.

**No DTD** is the default document format.

**No Tags**, use this option for creating non-HTML text files. If you need to write small scripts, or edit map files, you would not want to start with HTML tags.



# Document Color Selection

This dialog box allows you to control the colors of the background, text, and links in the current HTML Document.

## **Background**

Check the color box to select a background color for your document.  
Check the image box to select a background image.

## **Text, Link, Active link, Visited link**

Check box to change the color of the selected item.

## **Color="#000000"**

This box shows the hex color code for the color displayed in the sample box.

## **Scroll Bars**

Use the scroll bars to adjust the color of the selected item.

## **Custom Color Palette**

This button brings up the windows color palette.

*note:*

- **All values are automatically reset when this form is loaded.**
- **To change the color of an item, the appropriate panel must be pressed in .**
- **Any unchecked items are left at the default value.**

# Text Attributes

This form provides a quick reference to the most common HTML text attributes.

The upper panel shows a portion of the selected text for color reference.

*See Also:*

[Size](#)  
[Text Color](#)  
[Face](#)

[Bold](#)  
[Strong](#)  
[Italic](#)  
[Emphasis](#)  
[Big](#)  
[Small](#)  
[Superscript](#)  
[Subscript](#)  
[Underline](#)  
[Strikethrough](#)

# Preview Options

When working with HTML documents, you are going to want to see what your page will look like. The only method of doing this (with any reliability) is to view it through the WWW browser, or several browsers for even more accuracy. This is the only way to see your page exactly as it will look when it is on the web. GOMER offers several methods of previewing your page.

## Save Document, reload manually in browser(s)

I prefer this method for previewing HTML documents. Selecting this preview option is the same as pressing the save button on the toolbar. Each time you preview, you are saving the document.

### To implement this method:

- After saving the file, start your WWW browser (or browsers) and load the file from the hard drive.
- To view revisions, press preview or save button to save the current file, next, press the reload button on your web browser. You can view the document on every loaded browser without resaving it. (saves some time)

## Save current Document as temporary file, reload manually in browser(s)

This method is the same as above, except the file will be saved under a different filename in case you don't want the changes to be permanent.

## Choose HTML Browser

With this method, Gomer will save the current document and load it into the selected browser. It is possible to specify up to 3 browsers to select from for previewing.

Gomer supports Dynamic Data Exchange with the Netscape™ web browser. This browser can be started through GOMER, and once running, pages can be passed to it easily.

Web Browsing programs which support command-line parameters can also be started through Gomer to preview pages, however, they must be closed when finished previewing to prevent multiple instances or possible errors.

## Save file Preferences

You can choose between saving the current file before preview, or saving as a separate temporary file.

### Save Current File

With this option selected, GOMER saves the changes to the current document, and launches the preview method selected above.

### Use Temporary File

With this option selected, the current file will be saved as a file named ~temp.htm. If you select this option any changes to the current document will not be saved so you can revert to the last saved version if you don't like the newest changes. The ~temp.htm file will remain on your hard drive, but it will be overwritten with future previews.

# Template Dialog

See Also: [Using Templates With GOMER](#)

## Adding Templates to your list

To add template files to this list, you first need to create them.

- Create a normal document with all of the information you want on the template
- Save the file with the \*.GTM extension
- You now have a Template

After you have created a suitable \*.gtm file:

- Bring up the dialog again.
- Press the **ADD** button.
- Enter both a description, and the path to the template file.

## Using Templates from the list

To use a template file from the list, just double-click on its description.

# Using Templates with GOMER

Templates can be used like a pattern for creating many web documents with much of the same information without entering it into each separately.

A Gomer template file is nothing more than a HTML file which has been saved with a file name extension identifying it as a template.

When a template file is opened, GOMER will not recognize it as a file, but will treat it as a new document. This helps to prevent accidental overwriting of the file.

## Creating Templates

1. Create a document containing the information you want to be common to all documents which use it.
2. Save the document as a template by using the **.gtm** file name extension. ( make sure to specify the extension, or it will default to .htm )

## Using Templates

Gomer uses Template files in three ways:

1. They can be opened just like a regular file
2. They can be opened from the Template Dialog
3. A template file can be set as the default new document in the preferences dialog

# Troubleshooting

## **Document text does not appear when loaded.**

If no text appears in the document window, check the **Window** **Window font...** menu. The font may be set to a value which isn't supported by your system.

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# General Information

This screen contains general information for use by the program.

## **E-Mail address**

This e-mail address is used by the link dialog box for quick insertion into hyper-links.

## **Template information**

If you prefer to start a document from a standard format instead of the default dialog boxes, you can specify that in this area.

## **Show Startup Screen**

Unchecking this box disables the opening splash screen upon startup. This has no other effect on the program, other than making it load faster.

See Also:

[Using Templates](#)



# Preferences Dialog Box

[Preview](#)

[HTML](#)

[General](#)

## **Preferences- HTML Tags**

### **Tag Options**

These functions can be created with more than one method. Choose whichever you prefer here.

### **Code in Lowercase**

Inserts many of the most common tags in lowercase instead of the default Capital letters.

## Revert to last saved version

The **REVERT** option under the File menu allows you to return the document you are working on to exactly how it was the last time it was saved. This works well after making large changes which you aren't too fond of.

The revert menu item will remain disabled when the displayed document is the same as the last saved version, or if the document has not yet been saved (still named Untitled)

**Note:**

*Previewing a document will save it. If you aren't sure if you will want to keep any of the changes to the document, choose to preview the document with a temporary file.*

# Shortcut Keys

Shortcut keys eliminate the need to use a tool button or pull-down menu. I strongly recommend learning these keys.

<b>F1</b>	Help
<b>CTRL+SHIFT+F1</b>	Preview
<b>SHIFT + ENTER</b>	Line break
<b>CTRL + P</b>	Paragraph
<b>CTRL + INS</b>	Paragraph (closed)
<b>CTRL + Z</b>	Undo
<b>CTRL + X</b>	Cut
<b>CTRL + C</b>	Copy
<b>CTRL + V</b>	Paste
<b>DEL</b>	Delete
<b>CTRL + B</b>	Bold
<b>CTRL + I</b>	Italics
<b>CTRL + U</b>	Underline
<b>CTRL + A</b>	Select all
<b>CTRL + K</b>	Create HyperText link
<b>CTRL + L</b>	Create list
<b>CTRL + W</b>	List Item
<b>CTRL + E</b>	List Definition
<b>CTRL + H</b>	Horizontal rule
<b>CTRL + T</b>	Create table
<b>CTRL + D</b>	Document colors
<b>CTRL + F</b>	Create frameset
<b>Shift + F1</b>	Header size 1
<b>Shift + F2</b>	Header size 2
<b>Shift + F3</b>	Header size 3
<b>Shift + F4</b>	Header size 4
<b>Shift + F5</b>	Header size 5
<b>Shift + F6</b>	Header size 6
<b>F6</b>	Preferences
<b>F2</b>	Quick Convert
<b>F5</b>	Tag quick-reference
<b>CTRL + G</b>	Find / Change
<b>F3</b>	Find next
<b>F4</b>	Replace
<b>F7</b>	Upper case
<b>F8</b>	Lower case
<b>F11</b>	Edit / Select Custom
<b>F12</b>	Quick insert custom tag
<b>CTRL + N</b>	New File
<b>CTRL + O</b>	Open File
<b>CTRL + S</b>	Save File
<b>CTRL + F5</b>	Close all open windows
<b>CTRL + F6</b>	Cascade windows
<b>CTRL + F7</b>	Tile windows

## **Browse Files**

Use this feature to preview HTML or other plain text files before you open them.

You cannot change any of the text in the preview window, however you may copy it to the clipboard, and paste it into an open document.

Double click on the file name, or click on the Open button to open.

The Delete button will permanently remove the selected file from your hard drive.

## **Known Bugs List**

Please see the the included file "bugs.txt" for the latest information on any known bugs in this program.

If you think you have discovered a new bug, please report it at the [Stoopid Software website](#).

# Search / Replace

Search for and/or replace strings of text in an open document.

## **Enter String to search for:**

Text to find when Find or Find Next (F3) is pressed.

## **Change to:**

Text which will replace found text when Change All or Change(F4) is pressed.

## **Start at top**

If checked, a search will begin at the top of the document instead of the current position.

## **Case Sensitive**

With this box unchecked a word with letters of a different case, such as the capital T in "*The*" will match "*the*", if checked, it will not come up as a match.

## **Substring / Whole words**

This option controls whether the search string can be found as any string, or only as an entire word.

## **Change All**

Changes every instance from the current position of the string specified in the search box to the string specified in the "Change to:" box.

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## **Add Time**

To add the time to the current document, click on the time box in the information bar (at the bottom of the editor screen.) This will only be visible when the screen is large enough for the box.

## Check Tag Pairs

A common error in writing HTML is missing opening or closing tags. The tool checks about 40 of the most common tags to ensure they aren't missing closing elements.

The tool also checks the HTML, HEAD, TITLE, and BODY tags to see that there is only one pair of each in a document.

Quotation marks are counted, and a message box appears if an odd number is encountered. (note: this tool may miss some incorrect quotations-- an even number of unmatched quotes pairs will not be found)

## Click and Drag Text Editing

This feature makes moving blocks of text quicker and easier than using cut and paste.

To move text within a document;

- Highlight the text
- Press and hold the left mouse button
- Drag to the proper position in the document
- Release the button

The highlighted text will be moved to the proper position.

## Quick Cut and Paste

Gomer now supports quick editing of text with the right mouse button. Text can be cut from, and pasted into, the active document with the mouse.

When the right mouse button is pressed, a pop-up menu will appear. Choose to Cut, Copy or paste text from the pop-up menu.

### *Please Note:*

Mouse cursor must be over the text window of the current document.

Text will be pasted at the position of the **text cursor** - *Not the mouse cursor*. To move the text cursor to the position of the mouse cursor press the left mouse button before pasting text.

# Change Text Case

## Upper Case / Lower Case

These tools change all of the selected text to upper or lower case.

Simple, but suprisingly handy.

*Shortcuts:*

**F7** Upper Case

**F8** Lower Case

## **Insert File into Document**

With this, you can insert an existing text file into the current document.

## Last Modified

Many Web authors like to display information about when a document was last revised. This feature easily adds this information.

*Shortcut Key:*

**Feature Temporarily removed**

## **Remove Frames**

If you want to redo, or eliminate the frames from a document, this'll do it for you quickly.



## **Word Wrap**

Whether you prefer to view the lines of text in your document at actual length, or wrapped to fit the window, Gomer can handle it.

### **Word Wrap - Checked**

All lines longer than the current window size will be wrapped to fit.

### **Word Wrap - Unchecked**

All lines of the HTML document will remain as typed. Scroll to see any text not visible in window.

## Custom Tool

If you need to enter a text string many times into a document, use this custom tool.

To edit or select custom text, press the **F11** key. (or custom, edit from the tags menu)

Whichever entry is selected when the window is closed becomes the default entry, and can be entered again by pressing the **F12** key. (or custom, Quick insert from the tags menu)

### Beginning Tag

Information shown in this area will be inserted before selected text.

### Ending Tag (if any)

Information shown in this area will be inserted after any selected text in the document. If an ending tag, is not needed, it is acceptable to leave this area blank.

### Add Button

This button will create a place in the list for a new entry. Text can be entered in the areas at the bottom of the form.

### Delete

This Button will delete the currently selected item.

### Insert

Inserts selected item into current document. Function is the same as double-clicking on a list item.

### Close

This button will unload the form.

Shortcut keys:

**F12** - Quick insert selected entry

**F11** Edit / Select custom text

## **Tooltips**

These little information boxes will pop up when the mouse pointer is over a toolbar button. They provide information about the purpose of the button.

To turn on (or off) tooltips, choose **Tooltips** from under the **Help** menu.

## Quick Convert

Quickly converts special characters to a web-displayable format.

To Use:

- Press **F2** or choose *Quick Convert* from the *Tools* menu
- Type the character you want converted

NOTE: If a single character is selected when F2 is pressed, it will automatically be converted. If more than one character is selected, it will be replaced.

Other characters can also be created by typing the following characters:

Space	Non-breaking space
C	Copyright
R	Registered
T	Trademark (not currently supported by Netscape)

When checked, a helpful hint will appear every time you start Gomer

This box lists the hints which are available

Helpful hints for web authoring and using Gomer

This information will be displayed as the page title



This area is for typing comments and document information

Insert current date into comment area

insert current time

Copyright information

Author information

Create document using a pre-existing template

Hexadecimal value of current color

Sample of currently defined color



Quick buttons for easy color selection  
Use scroll bars or Custom button for other colors

Saturation controls

Scroll bars for easy color maipulation  
(*red, green, and blue values*)

Allows use of the standard Windows color palette

Change color of selected text

Check to give selected text listed attribute

Enter value to change text size

Text or HTML to click for link



Name of target if using frames

Press to show file dialog box

Text to show if image doesn't load

Thickness of border around linked image

Sets the alignment of item on the page

size of image in pixels or percentage(%)

Horizontal / Vertical space around image

Low-resolution file to load (more quickly)  
before larger image



Sets image as Image Map

Identify Client-side image map

Enter name of internal target

Thickness of cell borders

space between table cells

Margin between cell contents and border

Width in pixels or percentage of page (%)

Sample table reference  
Press and drag mouse to change  
number of columns or rows.



Horizontal alignment of data in cell

Vertical alignment of data in cell

Cell spreads across X columns

Cell spreads across X rows

