Style Menu

Formats related directly to text display style are found under the Style menu (the "A" button). You can add HTML style tags to a selection of text either before or after you type it. By creating a selection of text with the mouse, you then select a physical, semantic or custom text style from the Style menu. Alternately, if the cursor is inserted into the document but there is no selection, choosing an HTML style will insert the tags into the text surrounding the current insertion point – you are ready to type. Note that the key shortcuts for many HTML formats and styles can be found on the Palette Help display.

Consult with the A Beginner's Guide to HTML for more details on each HTML style. There are two types of HTML styles - physical and semantic. NCSA recommends that you use semantic styles when possible -- physical styles are derived from features of visual displays, while semantic styles are content or idiom-based. If an HTML tag is not supported by a browser, it should be ignored. The styles supported by this version of HTML.edit (though not by all browsers) are:

Physical Styles Bold, Italic, Strikethru, Superscript, Subscript, Typewriter, Underline

Semantic Styles Citation, Code, Defining, Emphasis, Strong Emphasis, Keyboard, Sample, Variable

Custom Styles
A user-defined list.

These styles are defined in modifiable tables available on the Preferences card, under the HTML Preferences section.

Index and Hilight Styles

Displays a list of instances of the chosen style tags within the current document. To close the Index list, click on its close box. See also Index HTML. The Hilight HTML command hilights instances of the chosen tags within the current document. Note that only elements composed of both opening and closing tags are supported.

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