

# HTML Cheat Sheet

## A Basic HTML/HTM file Template:

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<HTML>
  <HEAD>
  <TITLE>Put the Title of your Website Here</TITLE>
  </HEAD>
  <BODY background="pretty.gif" bgcolor=#333366 text=#ff99ff
  link=#ffffff vlink=#999999>
  <p>
  Body of web page goes here.
  <p>
  <br><a href="index.html">Return to the Home Page</a>
  </p>
  </BODY>
</HTML>
```

## Notes:

**<HTML> </HTML>** Every web page must begin with and end with this tag. It tells the viewers web browser that what follows is an HTML file.

**<HEAD> </HEAD>** Every web page **should** include this tag. For the most part, it includes various information about the page that follows, not used by the web browser, but see **<TITLE>** below:

**<TITLE> </TITLE>** The text included between these tags, which must fall between the **<HEAD>** and **</HEAD>** tags, is displayed at the top of the browser screen as a "title". It is also used by many web search tools to catalog web pages. It is especially important on your HOME PAGE.

**<BODY> </BODY>** Every web page must also have these tags. Everything to be displayed in the main window of the web browser falls between these tags. The **<BODY>** tag may also include some formatting information such as colors and background images.

## Basic Formatting tags:

**<H1> </H1>** (also **<H2>** - **<H6>**): Various **heading** levels, **<H1>** being the largest. Useful for titles, and section headings.

**<P> </P>** Used to separate **paragraphs**. **</P>** is optional does nothing when followed by another **<P>**. It inserts one blank line. HTML does not display empty paragraphs, so multiple **<P>** tags do nothing.

**<BR>** Inserts a line **break**. Multiple **<BR>** tags may or may not insert blank lines depending

on the browser.

**<B> </B>** Everything between these tags shows up in **bold** text.

**<I> </I>** Everything between these tags shows up in *italics*.

**<U> </U>** Everything between these tags shows up underlined.

**<PRE> </PRE>** Everything between these tags is displayed in courier 10 pitch typeface as **preformatted**. White space, tabs, spaces, and paragraph formatting is preserved. The browser will not wrap long lines.

**<FONT> </FONT>** Defines **font** size, color, and typeface. If you specify a typeface, it **MUST** be on the destination user's computer. Example: `<FONT SIZE=4 COLOR="RED">Red</FONT>`

**<UL> </UL>** Prescribes the beginning and end of an unordered (bulleted) list. Each item in the list begins with an **<LI>** tag.

**<OL> </OL>** Prescribes the beginning and end of an ordered (numbered) list. Each item in the list begins with an **<LI>** tag.

**<IMG SRC="filename.gif" alt="Description of picture" width=100 height=50 align="left">**  
These are the most important elements for the **image** tag. The align="left" or "right" causes text to wrap around the right side of the image desktop publishing style.

**<TABLE> <TR> <TD> </TD> </TR> </TABLE>** All of these elements are required for a simple **table**. Each **table row** begins and ends with the <TR> tag. Each row may have one or more **table data** cells delineated by <TD> tags.

**<A HREF=". . ."> </A>** defines an **anchor** tag, which is an element that links to something else. The main types are:

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<A HREF="htmlfile.html">Select me to see more</A> for an file;
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<A HREF="http://www.fsp.com">Select to go to my web site</A>
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<A HREF="mailto:barnabas@lordschapel.org">EMail me!</A>
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