

XHTML Quick Reference

Rules

Declare a DOCTYPE

For a list, see <http://www.w3.org/QA/2002/04/valid-dtd-list.html>

```
<!DOCTYPE doctype goes here >
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<head><title>page title</title></head>
<body>content ...</body>
</html>
```

Write tags in all lowercase

✗ <TABLE> ✗ <Table>
✓ <table>

Close all tags

✗
 ✗
✓
 ✓

Nest tags in order

✗ text
✓ text

Use quotes for attribute values

✗ <table width=50%>
✓ <table width="50%">

Use id instead of name

The name attribute has been replaced with id.
✗
✓

Hide scripts with CDATA

JavaScript code should be enclosed in CDATA ("character data") sections.

```
<script type="text/javascript">
/*  */
javascript code
/*  */
</script>
```

Tags

Structure

<h1> Heading 1 (through <h6>)
<p> Paragraph

 Line break
<div> Block of content
 Inline block of content

Formatting

<hr /> Horizontal rule/line
 Emphasis (italic)
 Bold
<sub> Subscript (H₂O)
<sup> Superscript text (E=mc²)

Links

Hyperlink link text
Bookmark link text
Email link text
Stylesheet <link rel="stylesheet" href="styles.css" type="text/css" />
JavaScript <script language="javascript" type="text/javascript" src="code.js" />

Special characters

Non-breaking space	 	Double quotes (")	"
Ampersand (&)	&	Copyright (©)	©
Greater than sign (>)	>	Trademark (™)	™
Less than sign (<)	<	Registered trademark (®)	®

Forms

```
<form>
  <fieldset>
    <input type="text" />
    <input type="checkbox" />
    <input type="radio" />
    <select />
    <input type="submit" /> Submit
  </fieldset>
</form>
```

Tables

```
<table>
<tr><th>head</th><th>head</th></tr>
<tr><td>cell</td><td>cell</td></tr>
</table>
```

Bulleted lists

```
<ul>
• <li>...</li>
• <li>...</li>
</ul>
```

Numbered lists

```
<ol>
1. <li>...</li>
2. <li>...</li>
</ol>
```

