

## HTML <sub> Tag for Subscripts

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### The <sub> Tag in HTML 5

The <sub> tag creates subscript text. The **sub** element is one of the [phrase elements in HTML](#). The content of the **sub** element is displayed *below* the normal baseline level. The [<sup> tag](#) performs a similar function except that the content is displayed *above* the normal baseline level.

An alternative to the <sub> tag is the [vertical-align: sub](#) CSS style property. The [vertical-align: super](#) style *raises* the applicable content *above* the normal baseline level.

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### <sub> Tag Syntax

```
<a mode="pre" href="../../../body-tag/index.html#syntax"><body></a>
...
  <a mode="pre" href="../../../html-tag-list.html#phrasing-content-model">... phrasing content
...
</body>
```

### Rules for coding the HTML **sub** element

Make sure you understand the [difference between a tag and element](#) and are familiar with the [definitions](#) of [namespace](#) and other [HTML terms](#).

1. Code the **sub** element for subscript text where [phrasing content](#) is expected.
2. Begin the **sub** element with a starting <sub> tag. The element name uses lower case letters and should be in the [HTML namespace](#), which it will pick up automatically from the [xmlns attribute](#) on the <html> tag.
3. Include any [HTML global attributes on the <sub> tag](#) as appropriate.
4. Inside the **sub** element, between the starting <sub> tag and the ending </sub> tag, code the inner HTML [phrasing content](#).
5. End the **sub element** with a matching </sub> closing tag.

### Content Model

The content of the **sub** element can include [HTML comments](#), [text content](#) and only those [HTML tags that can be used in phrasing content](#).

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## <sub> Tag Attributes

### Attributes of the <sub> tag

<a href="#">global attributes</a>	The only attributes that can be coded on the <sub> tag are the <a href="#">common HTML attributes</a> .
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## <sub> Tag Examples

### Examples of the `sub` tag in HTML 5

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## Changes in HTML 5 - <sub> Tag

### What's new in HTML 5

#### Differences between HTML 5 and earlier versions of HTML

The [2000-2010 Recommendations from the W3C HTML Working Group](#) defined the [HTML namespace](#) for the `sub` element type name along with the names of all [HTML element types](#). In older (pre-2000) [versions of HTML](#), element type names were not associated with a namespace.

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