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The PHP string functions are part of the PHP core. No installation is required to use these functions.

Function	Description
addcslashes()	Returns a string with backslashes in front of the specified characters
addslashes()	Returns a string with backslashes in front of predefined characters
bin2hex()	Converts a string of ASCII characters to hexadecimal values
chop()	Removes whitespace or other characters from the right end of a string
chr()	Returns a character from a specified ASCII value
chunk_split()	Splits a string into a series of smaller parts
<pre>convert_cyr_string()</pre>	Converts a string from one Cyrillic character-set to another

convert_uudecode()	Decodes a uuencoded string
<pre>convert_uuencode()</pre>	Encodes a string using the uuencode algorithm
count_chars()	Returns information about characters used in a string
<u>crc32()</u>	Calculates a 32-bit CRC for a string
crypt()	One-way string hashing
echo()	Outputs one or more strings
explode()	Breaks a string into an array
<pre>fprintf()</pre>	Writes a formatted string to a specified output stream
<pre>get_html_translation_table()</pre>	Returns the translation table used by htmlspecialchars() and htmlentities()
hebrev()	Converts Hebrew text to visual text
hebrevc()	Converts Hebrew text to visual text and new lines (\n) into
hex2bin()	Converts a string of hexadecimal values to ASCII characters
html_entity_decode()	Converts HTML entities to characters
htmlentities()	Converts characters to HTML entities
htmlspecialchars_decode()	Converts some predefined HTML entities to characters
htmlspecialchars()	Converts some predefined characters to HTML entities
implode()	Returns a string from the elements of an array
join()	Alias of implode()
<u>lcfirst()</u>	Converts the first character of a string to lowercase
levenshtein()	Returns the Levenshtein distance between two strings
localeconv()	Returns locale numeric and monetary formatting information
ltrim()	Removes whitespace or other characters from the left side of a string
md5()	Calculates the MD5 hash of a string

md5_file()	Calculates the MD5 hash of a file
metaphone()	Calculates the metaphone key of a string
money_format()	Returns a string formatted as a currency string
nl_langinfo()	Returns specific local information
nl2br()	Inserts HTML line breaks in front of each newline in a string
number_format()	Formats a number with grouped thousands
ord()	Returns the ASCII value of the first character of a string
parse_str()	Parses a query string into variables
print()	Outputs one or more strings
printf()	Outputs a formatted string
<pre>quoted_printable_decode()</pre>	Converts a quoted-printable string to an 8-bit string
<pre>quoted_printable_encode()</pre>	Converts an 8-bit string to a quoted printable string
quotemeta()	Quotes meta characters
rtrim()	Removes whitespace or other characters from the right side of a string
setlocale()	Sets locale information
sha1()	Calculates the SHA-1 hash of a string
sha1_file()	Calculates the SHA-1 hash of a file
similar_text()	Calculates the similarity between two strings
soundex()	Calculates the soundex key of a string
sprintf()	Writes a formatted string to a variable
sscanf()	Parses input from a string according to a format
str_getcsv()	Parses a CSV string into an array
str_ireplace()	Replaces some characters in a string (case-insensitive)
str_pad()	Pads a string to a new length

str_repeat()	Repeats a string a specified number of times
str_replace()	Replaces some characters in a string (case-sensitive)
str_rot13()	Performs the ROT13 encoding on a string
str_shuffle()	Randomly shuffles all characters in a string
str_split()	Splits a string into an array
str_word_count()	Count the number of words in a string
strcasecmp()	Compares two strings (case-insensitive)
strchr()	Finds the first occurrence of a string inside another string (alias of strstr())
strcmp()	Compares two strings (case-sensitive)
strcoll()	Compares two strings (locale based string comparison)
strcspn()	Returns the number of characters found in a string before any part of some specified characters are found
strip_tags()	Strips HTML and PHP tags from a string
stripcslashes()	Unquotes a string quoted with addcslashes()
stripslashes()	Unquotes a string quoted with addslashes()
stripos()	Returns the position of the first occurrence of a string inside another string (case-insensitive)
stristr()	Finds the first occurrence of a string inside another string (case-insensitive)
strlen()	Returns the length of a string
strnatcasecmp()	Compares two strings using a "natural order" algorithm (case-insensitive)
strnatcmp()	Compares two strings using a "natural order" algorithm (case-sensitive)
strncasecmp()	String comparison of the first n characters (case-insensitive)
strncmp()	String comparison of the first n characters (case-sensitive)
strpbrk()	Searches a string for any of a set of characters

strpos()	Returns the position of the first occurrence of a string inside another string (case-sensitive)
strrchr()	Finds the last occurrence of a string inside another string
strrev()	Reverses a string
strripos()	Finds the position of the last occurrence of a string inside another string (case-insensitive)
strrpos()	Finds the position of the last occurrence of a string inside another string (case-sensitive)
strspn()	Returns the number of characters found in a string that contains only characters from a specified charlist
strstr()	Finds the first occurrence of a string inside another string (case-sensitive)
strtok()	Splits a string into smaller strings
strtolower()	Converts a string to lowercase letters
strtoupper()	Converts a string to uppercase letters
strtr()	Translates certain characters in a string
substr()	Returns a part of a string
substr_compare()	Compares two strings from a specified start position (binary safe and optionally case-sensitive)
substr_count()	Counts the number of times a substring occurs in a string
substr_replace()	Replaces a part of a string with another string
trim()	Removes whitespace or other characters from both sides of a string
ucfirst()	Converts the first character of a string to uppercase
ucwords()	Converts the first character of each word in a string to uppercase
vfprintf()	Writes a formatted string to a specified output stream
vprintf()	Outputs a formatted string